CANADA PROVINCE OF QUEBEC DISTRICT OF MONTREAL

No: 500-11-048114-157

SUPERIOR COURT

(Commercial Division)

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF:

BLOOM LAKE GENERAL PARTNER LIMITED, QUINTO MINING CORPORATION, 8568391 CANADA LIMITED, CLIFFS QUEBEC IRON MINING ULC, WABUSH IRON CO. LIMITED, WABUSH RESOURCES INC.

Petitioners

-and-

THE BLOOM LAKE IRON ORE MINE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, BLOOM LAKE RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED, WABUSH MINES, ARNAUD RAILWAY COMPANY, WABUSH LAKE RAILWAY COMPANY LIMITED

Mises-en-cause

-and-

FTI CONSULTING CANADA INC.

Monitor

-and-

MICHAEL KEEPER, TERENCE WATT, DAMIEN LEBEL AND NEIL JOHNSON

OBJECTING PARTIES-Mises-en-cause

-and-

UNITED STEELWORKERS, LOCAL 6254, UNITED STEELWORKERS, LOCAL 6285

Mises-en-cause

-and-

MORNEAU SHEPELL Mise-en-cause

NOTICE OF OBJECTION BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SALARIED EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES TO THE MOTION BY THE MONITOR FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AND ORDER APPROVING THE ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY AND OTHER RELIEF

(Sections 11 of the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36)

TO THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE STEPHEN W. HAMILTON, J.S.C., OR TO ONE OF THE HONOURABLE JUDGES SITTING IN THE COMMERCIAL DIVISION IN AND FOR THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF MONTRÉAL, THE OBJECTING PARTIES-MISES-ENCAUSE RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

In accordance with the procedure for motions in paragraph 55 of the Amended Initial CCAA Order dated February 20, 2015, Representative Counsel to the court-appointed Representatives to the non-union employees and retirees (the "Salaried Members") of the Wabush CCAA Parties object to the Motion by the Monitor for the "Issuance of an Order Approving the Allocation Methodology and Other Relief" (the "Allocation Motion") returnable on May 31, 2017, on the following basis.

- 1. The motion seeks approval of a proposed methodology for the allocation of assets relating to the estates of all the CCAA Parties, both Bloom Lake and Wabush Mines, and other relief. The Monitor's 36th Report was served on May 26, 2017;
- 2. Representative Counsel requires additional time to review the motion, the requested relief, its impact on creditors' claims in particular, the claims of the employees and pension plan members, and on future distributions from the different estates. Representative Counsel also requires additional time to further discuss these issues with counsel to the Newfoundland Superintendent of Pensions, counsel to Morneau Shepell (the replacement plan administrator), counsel to the United SteelWorkers, and other affected stakeholders;
- 3. Representative Counsel requests a reasonable adjournment of the motion to allow for further discussions with the other pension stakeholders, Monitor, and other affected

stakeholders to address issues that arise from the Allocation Motion including, but not limited to:

- Additional information is required relating to the proposed Allocation Methodology. The CCAA Parties are seeking approval to allocate funds to each of the CCAA Parties' estates based on Purchase Price Allocations that are set out in each of the past sale transactions. However, we understand that a Purchase Price Allocation is not included in every transaction. Additional information is required on the proposed allocation for such transactions. Further, a number of the Purchase Price Allocations remain redacted and their values are not known, nor can they be assessed;
- Paragraphs 16 to 18 of the Allocation Motion do not mention the Pension Plan Administrator's statutory lien and charge under subsection 34(4) of the *Pension Benefits Act*, 1997, SNL 1996, c. P-4.01 (the "NPBA") in respect of amounts owing by Wabush Mines to the Salaried Pension Plan. Under section 34(4), this secured claim is over "the assets of the employer". The "employer" under the Salaried Pension Plan are Wabush Mines, Cliffs Mining Company, Managing agent, Arnaud Railway Company, and Wabush Lake Railway Company Limited. The Motion refers only to the secured claims of certain municipalities for Outstanding Property Taxes, leaving an impression that there are no other statutory secured claims against the CCAA Parties. Additional information is required on the proposed treatment of the Administrator's secured claim;
- C) The CCAA Parties are also moving for authorization to pay undisputed Outstanding Property Taxes. Representative Counsel requires additional information on these proposed payments to ensure that no payments derive from any assets against which the Salaried Members have outstanding employee, OPEB and pension benefit loss claims;

- d) Representative Counsel requires confirmation that any order sought in the Allocation Motion does not have the effect of crystallizing and/or determining unresolved pension priorities as of the date of the issuance of such an order;
- 4. At the appropriate time and, if necessary, Representative Counsel can submit substantive arguments to such effect that the allocation plan in the Allocation Methodology Order is inappropriate based on the Salaried Members outstanding claims;
- 5. Representative Counsel reserves their rights to raise other grounds for opposition, if necessary, in respect of the matters raised in the Motion for Directions;
- 6. This Notice of Objection is well founded in fact and in law.

FOR THESE REASONS THE OBJECTING PARTIES-MISES-EN-CAUSE ASKS THAT THIS HONOURABLE COURT:

- [A] **GRANT** the present Notice of Objection;
- [B] **ADJOURN** the Initial Return Date for the Allocation Motion until such time as Representative Counsel have had the full opportunity to review all information relative to this motion with the Monitor and other affected stakeholders;
- [C] **DISMISS** the Motion and require the CCAA Parties to provide such additional information as is necessary for Representative Counsel to make an informed decision on the appropriateness of the proposed Allocation Methodology.

THE WHOLE WITHOUT COSTS, EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF CONTESTATION.

Toronto, May 26, 2017

Andrew J. Hatnay and Amy Tang

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Court-appointed Representative Counsel for the OBJECTING PARTIES-Mises-en-cause Michael Keeper, Terence Watt, Damien Lebel and Neil Johnson

NOTICE OF PRESENTATION

TO: SERVICE LIST

TAKE NOTICE that the present Notice of Objection to the Motion for the Issuance of an Order Approving the Allocation Methodology and Other Relief will be presented for adjudication before The Honourable Mr. Justice Stephen W. Hamilton, J.S.C., or another of the honourable judges of the Superior Court, Commercial Division, sitting in and for the district of Montreal, at the Montreal Courthouse located at 1 Notre-Dame Street East, Montreal, Québec, May 31, 2017 at a room and at a time to be determined.

GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY.

TORONTO, May 26, 2017

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