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DISTRICT OF ONTARIO
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## IN THE MATTER OF THE BANKRUPTCY OF FIREWORKS ENTERTAINMENT INC. REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE ON PRELIMINARY ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FIRST MEETING OF CREDITIORS DECEMBER 9, 2009

### **Backround**

The Fireworks Group of Companies ("Fireworks") performed various film and television production and distribution activities.

The organizational structure of Fireworks is set out on page 7 of the Canwest Global Communications Corp. ("CGCC") Organization Chart, a copy of which is attached hereto for ease of reference.

CGCC owns 100% of Fireworks through Canwest Entertainment Inc. ("CEI")

On July 25, 2005 ContentFilm plc. ("Content") completed the purchase of all of Firework's distribution rights (and back-office support) for television programming throughout the world excluding Canada, and for theatrical programming throughout the world including Canada.

On September 30, 2005 Motion Picture Distribution LP ("MPD") completed the purchase of all of Fireworks' distribution rights for television programming in Canada.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned purchase/sale transactions, there are up to a handful of programmes for which distribution rights may still reside within Fireworks.

FEI was incorporated as a holding company for CGCC to hold its interest in the Fireworks entities. FEI has no employees and has been inactive ever since the sale transactions in late 200S.

Since there are no employees of FEI, and collecting the accounts receivable is unlikely, FEI has been deemed to no longer have the capacity to meet its obligations generally as they become due, and a resolution was passed by the Board of Directors to assign FEI into Bankruptcy pursuant to s.49 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3 to clean up the organizational structure of CGCC.

In respect of any conflicts of interest, please note the following disclosure:

On October 6, 2009 FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as monitor of, inter alia, Canwest Global Communications Corp. and Canwest Media Inc. FTI Consulting Canada Inc. continues to provide financial, restructuring and strategic advice to Canwest Limited Partnership.

On November 26, 2009 FEI filed an assignment in bankruptcy with the Official Receiver at the office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, pursuant to s.49 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act. FTI Consulting Canada Inc. was appointed as Trustee in Bankruptcy (the "Trustee"), subject to the approval of the creditors of the estate at this meeting.

The purpose of this first meeting of creditors is to elect a board of Inspectors to the estate, affirm the appointment of the Trustee, and receive instructions from the creditors.

For the purpose of preparing this report to the first meeting of creditors, we have reviewed certain information provided by the Directors and Officers of FEI and certain information in the books and records of FEI. It should be noted that this information has been prepared without audit or verification and is presented herein solely for the purpose of assisting the creditors in assessing the financial condition of FEI.

### Comments Regarding Assets and Liabilities

The following is a summary of the assets and liabilities of FEI, as reflected in the Statement of Affairs prepared on November 25, 2009, being the date the assignment in bankruptcy was filed with the Official Receiver.

### **Assets:**

Accounts receivable - Good

Accounts receivable – Bad  Cash	\$ 1,061 192,491,627
Total Recoverable Assets	3,812
Liabilities:	<u>\$4,873</u>
Unsecured creditors	Ć257 407 007
Total Liabilities	\$357,497,937
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More than 98% of FEI's accounts receivable are due from affiliated entities all of which have made assignments in bankruptcy, or their jurisdiction's equivalent thereof.

More than 99% of FEI's liabilities are due to Canwest Media Inc.

### Conservatory and Protective Measures

The Trustee is in the process of taking possession of all known assets (the small amount of cash) and transferring them to the trust account it set up in anticipation of this assignment in Bankruptcy.

Other than the small amount of cash, FEI has virtually no assets to speak of.

### Legal Matters, Reviewable Transactions and Preferences

To date, the Trustee has not initiated any legal actions.

The trustee has requested that the books and records of FEI be transferred to its counsel's office for review for the purpose of identifying reviewable transactions, fraudulent preferences/sales/conveyances and settlements. The Trustee will report to and seek instructions from the Estate Inspector(s) regarding its findings once this review is completed.

### Anticipated Distribution to Creditors

Based on the estimated realizable value of the assets of FEI, the Trustee is of the view that the assets of FEI will not generate any nominal realizations.

We will be available at the meeting of creditors should creditors have any questions regarding this report or other related matters.

DATED at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009.

### FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Trustee of the Estate of Fireworks Entertainment Inc., a Bankrupt

Per:

Jamie Engen

**Managing Director** 

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### AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS AND PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER OF THE FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS DECEMBER 9, 2009

I, FTI Consulting Canada Inc., Trustee in the aforementioned Assignment in Bankruptcy, do swear that notice was mailed to all known creditors of the bankrupt on December 2, 2009 and notice was published in the National Post newspaper on December 2, 2009, as prescribed in the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, of the Assignment in Bankruptcy and first meeting of creditors to take place at 11:00 o'clock, at the offices of Stikeman Elliott LLP in boardroom 3 located at 199 Bay St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON.

DATED at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009.

### FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Trustee of the Estate of Fireworks Entertainment Inc., a Bankrupt

Per:

**Managing Director** 

# Fireworks Corporate Organization Chart All holdings are 100%, unless otherwise noted

Sanwest Global Communications Corp. - Organization Chart

