IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

In re:

Case No. 11-20059-svk

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE,

Chapter 11

Debtor.

Hon. Susan V. Kelley

NOTICE OF BAR DATES FOR FILING OF GENERAL CREDITORS

TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 4, 2011 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>") the debtor and debtor in possession in the above-captioned case (the "<u>Debtor</u>") filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"). The Debtor, its address, case number, proof of claim forms and other relevant information related to this chapter 11 case may be obtained at: www.kccllc.net/ArchMil.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that on [_____], 2011, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin (the "<u>Court</u>") entered an order (the "<u>Bar</u> <u>Date Order</u>") establishing certain claims bar dates in the Debtor's chapter 11 case. By the Bar Date Order, the Court established **October 17, 2011**, as the date by which general creditor claims must be filed (the "<u>General Creditor Bar Date</u>"). Except as described below, the Bar Date Order requires all Entities, including Governmental Units that have or assert any prepetition Claims against the Debtor to file proofs of claim with the Court so that their proofs of claim are received by October 17, 2011. Please note that the terms "Entity," "Governmental Unit" and "Claim" are defined below.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that for your convenience, enclosed with this notice (the "<u>Bar Date Notice</u>") is a proof of claim form (the "<u>Proof of Claim Form</u>"), which identifies on its face the amount, nature and classification of your Claim(s), if any, listed in the Debtor's schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs filed in this case (collectively, the "<u>Schedules</u>"). If this notice does not include a proof of claim form, a proof of claim form may be obtained from the Debtor's Noticing Agent at <u>www.kccllc.net/archmil</u>.

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KEY DEFINITIONS

- As used in this Notice, the term "<u>Entity</u>" has the meaning given to it in section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code, and includes all persons (individuals, partnerships and corporations), estates, trusts, Governmental Units and the United States Trustee.
- As used in this Notice, the term "<u>Governmental Unit</u>" has the meaning given to it in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code and includes the United States; states; commonwealths; districts; territories; municipalities; foreign states; or departments, agencies or instrumentalities of the foregoing.
- As used in this Notice, the term "<u>Claim</u>" shall mean, as to or against the Debtor and in accordance with section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code: (i) any right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured or unsecured; or (ii) any right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured or unsecured.

A CLAIMANT SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY IF THE CLAIMANT HAS ANY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING WHETHER SUCH CLAIMANT MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM. A CLAIMANT MAY ALSO OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM COUNSEL TO THE DEBTOR BY CALLING 877-609-3995 OR COUNSEL FOR THE UNSECURED CREDITORS COMMITTEE AT 1-888-496-8643.

I. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM AND THE APPLICABLE BAR DATES

- A. <u>**The Bar Dates:**</u> The Bar Date Order establishes the following applicable bar dates for filing proofs of claim in this case:
 - 1. <u>The General Bar Date</u>. Except as set forth below, pursuant to the Bar Date Order, all Entities holding Claims, including Governmental Units, and Claims filed under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, against the Debtor (whether secured, unsecured priority, or unsecured nonpriority) that arose prior to or on January 4, 2011, are required to file proofs of claim by the General Bar Date –**October 17, 2011**.
 - <u>The Rejection Damages Bar Date</u>. Any Entity whose Claim arises out of the Court-approved rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease, in accordance with section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and pursuant to an order entered prior to the confirmation of a chapter 11 plan in the Debtor's chapter 11 case, must file a proof of claim on or before the [*later of*]: (i) the General Bar Date; (ii) the date that is twenty-eight (28) days after entry of an order approving the rejection of an executory contract or

unexpired lease pursuant to which the entity asserting the Rejection Damages Claim is a party. The later of these dates is referred to in this Notice as the "<u>Rejection Damages Bar Date</u>."

- B. <u>Entities That MUST File Proofs of Claims by the General Bar Date</u>: Subject to the terms described above for holders of Claims subject to the Rejection Bar Date and except as set forth in paragraph F below, the following Entities must file proofs of claim on or before the General Bar Date:
 - 1. any entity or person whose Claim against the Debtor is not listed in the Debtor's Schedules or whose Claim is listed in the Schedules as disputed, contingent or unliquidated and that desires to participate in this Chapter 11 case or share in any distribution in this Chapter 11 case; and
 - 2. any entity or person that believes that its Claim is improperly classified in the Schedules or is listed in an incorrect amount and that desires to have its Claim allowed in a classification or amount other than that identified in the Schedules.

PLEASE NOTE THAT INDIVIDUALS ASSERTING CLAIMS ARISING FROM ABUSE FOR WHICH SUCH INDIVIDUALS BELIEVE THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE MAY BE LIABLE ARE INSTRUCTED TO FILE AN ABUSE SURVIVOR PROOF OF CLAIM FORM, CONSISTENT WITH THE BAR DATE ORDER AND THE ABUSE SURVIVOR CLAIM BAR DATE NOTICE. ABUSE SURVIVORS MAY OBTAIN COPIES OF THESE FORMS BY (1) CONTACTING COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTOR BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. AND 5:00 P.M. (PREVAILING CENTRAL TIME), MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, AT 1-877-609-3995; (2) VISITING THE **DEBTOR'S** WEBSITE AT WWW.ARCHMIL.ORG/REORG/BARDATE.HTM; (3) VISITING THE DEBTOR'S NOTICING AGENT'S WEBSITE AT HTTP://WWW.KCCLLC.NET/ARCHMIL; (4) VISITING THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN, ROOM 126, U.S. COURTHOUSE, 517 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53202 DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS; (5) BY VISITING THE DEBTOR'S WEBSITE: (HTTP://WWW.ARCHMIL.ORG); OR (6) BY VISITING THE **COMMITTEE'S** WEBSITE AT HTTP://WWW.PSZJLAW.COM/MILWAUKEE.ARCHDIOCESE.HTML.

- C. <u>Entities NOT Required to File Proofs of Claim by the General Bar Date</u>: The Bar Date Order further provides that the following Entities need not file proofs of claim by the General Bar Date or the Rejection Bar Date, as applicable:
 - 1. any entity or person that has already properly filed a general creditor proof of claim against the Debtor with the Clerk of the Court for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin;

- 2. any entity or person: (i) whose Claim is listed in the Schedules or any amendments thereto, and (ii) whose Claim is not described therein as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated," and (iii) who does not dispute the amount or classification of its Claim as set forth in the Schedules;
- 3. professionals retained by the Debtor or the Committee pursuant to orders of this Court, including Kurtzman Carson Consultants, who assert administrative claims for payment of fees and expenses subject to the Court's approval pursuant to sections 330, 331(a) and 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- 4. any entity or person that asserts an administrative expense claim against the Debtor pursuant to sections 503(b)(1) through (8) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- 5. any entity or person or entity whose Claim against the Debtor has been allowed by an order of the Court entered on or before the applicable Bar Date; and
- 6. any entity or person or entity whose Claim has been paid in full.

II. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE PROOF OF CLAIM</u>

Any Entity that is required to file a proof of claim, but fails to do so by the applicable Bar Date described in this General Creditor Bar Date Notice: (i) may be forever barred from (a) asserting such claim against the Debtor or its estate; (b) voting on any plan of reorganization or of liquidation filed in the Reorganization Case, and (c) participating in any distribution in the Reorganization Case on account of such claim, and that the Debtor need not provide further notices regarding such claim.

If it is unclear from the Schedules whether your Claim is disputed, contingent or unliquidated as to amount or is otherwise properly listed and classified, you must file a proof of claim on or before the applicable Bar Date. Any Entity that relies on the information in the Schedules bears responsibility for determining that its Claim is accurately listed therein. Moreover, Entities who receive individualized proof of claim forms with this General Creditor Bar Date Notice as part of the General Creditor Bar Date Notice Package should verify the accuracy of the amount listed, if any, on such proof of claim form with the amount listed on the Schedules. Any Entity that relies on the amount listed on its individualized proof of claim form bears responsibility for determining that its Claim is accurately listed therein.

III. PROCEDURE FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM BY GENERAL CREDITORS

A. An executed General Creditor Proof of Claim must be submitted to the Court either by using the Court's electronic filing system or by mailing or hand delivering the Claim to the Court. The Court's electronic filing system is available, free of charge, by visiting the following website: <u>http://www.wieb.uscourts.gov/index.php/home/9-creditors/28-file-a-claim</u>.

General Creditor Proofs of Claim may also be mailed or delivered by messenger or overnight courier to the following address: United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Room 126, U.S. Courthouse, 517 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, on or before the applicable Bar Date. Proofs of claim sent by facsimile, telecopy, or e-mail will not be accepted. General Creditor Proofs of Claim must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Central Time) on the applicable Bar Date. Proofs of claim will be deemed filed only when actually received by the Court. If you filed electronically, and you wish to receive acknowledgement of the Court's receipt of your proof of claim, please contact the Clerk of Court at 414-297-3291. If you mailed or hand delivered your claim, and you wish to receive acknowledgement of the Court's receipt of your proof of claim, you must also submit by the applicable Bar Date and concurrently with submitting your original proof of claim: (i) one additional copy of your original proof of claim; and (ii) a selfaddressed, stamped return envelope.

B Proofs of claim must include all documentation required by Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d), including an original or a copy of any written document that forms the basis of the Claim or, for secured Claims, evidence that the alleged security interest has been perfected.

IV. <u>RESERVATION OF RIGHTS</u>

The Debtor reserves the right to: (i) dispute, or to assert offsets or defenses against, any filed Claim or any Claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to nature, amount, liability, classification or otherwise; and (ii) subsequently designate any Claim as disputed, contingent or unliquidated. Nothing contained in this Notice shall preclude the Debtor from objecting to any Claim, whether scheduled or filed, on any grounds.

V. <u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>

You may be listed as the holder of a Claim against the Debtor in the Schedules. If A. you hold or assert a Claim that is not listed in the Schedules or if you disagree with the amount or priority of your Claim as listed in the Schedules, or your Claim is listed in the Schedules as contingent, unliquidated, or disputed, you must file a proof of claim. Copies of the Schedules and the Bar Date Order are available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Clerk of the Court, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Room 126 U.S. Courthouse, 517 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. In addition, copies of the Debtor's Schedules and Bar Date Order may be obtained for a charge on the Internet at: the Court's website (http://www.wieb.uscourts.gov) by following the directions for accessing the ECF system on such website; or for free at the notice agent's website at http://www.kccllc.net/ArchMil. Debtor's or on the website at http://www.archmil.org.

B. Questions concerning the contents of this Notice and requests for proofs of claim should be directed to Debtor at 877-609-3995 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Central Time), Monday through Friday. Please note that the Debtor's staff is not permitted to give legal advice. You should consult your own attorney for assistance regarding any other inquiries, such as questions concerning the completion or filing of a proof of claim.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2011.

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE Debtor and Debtor-in-Possession by its counsel, Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C.

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