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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
RICHMOND DIVISION**

In re:

HOPEMAN BROTHERS, INC.,

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-32428 (KLP)

**ORDER GRANTING FIRST INTERIM APPLICATION OF
NERA ECONOMIC CONSULTING, INC. FOR ALLOWANCE OF
COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FOR
THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 10, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024**

Upon consideration of the First Interim Application (the “**Application**”)¹ of NERA Economic Consulting, Inc. (“**NERA**”), insurance allocation expert for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, for the period from October 10, 2024 through December 31, 2024 (the “**Application Period**”); and the Court having reviewed the Application and the Monthly Statement that was served by NERA, and finding that the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and determining that proper and adequate notice has been given and

¹ Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.



that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The Application is GRANTED.
2. NERA is hereby granted allowance of compensation for professional services in the amount of \$333,941.00 and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses in the amount of \$8,024.00 as requested in the Application.
3. The Debtor is hereby authorized and directed to remit to NERA the full amount of the fees and expenses set forth in paragraph 2 of this Order less any amounts previously paid to NERA on account of monthly fee statements filed for the Application Period.
4. The Debtor is authorized and empowered to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the terms of this Order.
5. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the entry of the within Order, including the interpretation, implementation, or enforcement of the within Order.
6. This Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

Dated: Aug 20 2025
Richmond, Virginia

/s/ Keith L Phillips
HONORABLE KEITH L. PHILLIPS
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Entered On Docket: August 20, 2025

WE ASK FOR THIS:

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**CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT
UNDER LOCAL BANKRUPTCY RULE 9022-1(C)**

I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Liesemer

In re:
Hopeman Brothers, Inc.
Debtor

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CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE

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Notice by first class mail was sent to the following persons/entities by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center on Aug 22, 2025:

NONE

Notice by electronic transmission was sent to the following persons/entities by the Bankruptcy Noticing Center.

Electronic transmission includes sending notices via email (Email/text and Email/PDF), and electronic data interchange (EDI). Electronic transmission is in Eastern Standard Time.

Recip ID	Notice Type: Email Address	Date/Time	Recipient Name and Address
smg	+ Email/Text: ustpreion04.rh.ecf@usdoj.gov	Aug 21 2025 00:47:00	UST smg Richmond, Office of the U. S. Trustee, 701 East Broad St., Suite 4304, Richmond, VA 23219-1849

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BYPASSED RECIPIENTS

The following addresses were not sent this bankruptcy notice due to an undeliverable address, *duplicate of an address listed above, *P duplicate of a preferred address, or ## out of date forwarding orders with USPS.

NONE

NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Gustava Winters, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Aug 22, 2025

Signature: /s/Gustava Winters

CM/ECF NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING

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