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

In re: : **Chapter 11**
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HOPEMAN BROTHERS, INC., : **Case No. 24-32428 (KLP)**
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Debtor. :
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**NOTICE OF FILING CHAPTER 11 PETITION, FIRST DAY
MOTIONS, AND PROPOSED HEARING ON FIRST DAY MOTIONS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 30, 2024 (the “Petition Date”), Hopeman Brothers, Inc. (the “Debtor”) filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”) with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the “Court”) commencing the above-captioned chapter 11 case.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that together with the chapter 11 petition, and pursuant to rule 1075-1 of the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia and the “Procedures for Complex Chapter 11 Cases in the Eastern District of Virginia,” the Court has granted the Debtor an expedited hearing (the “First Day Hearing”) to consider certain motions (collectively, the “First Day Motions”) filed on the Petition Date and listed on the Proposed First Day Agenda attached hereto as **Annex 1**.



PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Court has scheduled the First Day Hearing on July 2, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) in Courtroom 5100 of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, 701 East Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the First Day Hearing will be held in-person and by remote video conference and interested parties who wish to participate by video or audio may do so by registering in advance at:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsd-Gqrz4vHviyOV1S40Up-Glp6LmbN9M>

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of each of the First Day Motions may be obtained: (i) by accessing the Court's website at <https://ecf.vaeb.uscourts.gov> through an account obtained from the Pacer Service Center at 1-800-676-6856 or www.pacer.gov, or (ii) free of charge, by accessing the Debtor's case information website at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/hopeman/inquiry>.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that your rights may be affected. You should read the First Day Motions carefully and discuss them with your attorney, if you have one in the chapter 11 case. If you do not have an attorney, you may wish to consult one.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you do not want the Court to grant the relief requested in the First Day Motions, then you or your attorney must attend the First Day Hearing. If you or your attorney do not take these steps, the Court may decide that you do not oppose the relief sought in the First Day Motions and may enter orders granting the relief requested in the First Day Motions.

Dated: July 1, 2024
Richmond, Virginia

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Proposed First Day Agenda

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**PROPOSED FIRST DAY AGENDA FOR HEARING
 ON JULY 2, 2024, AT 11:00 A.M. (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME)**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following matters are scheduled for hearing in-person and by remote video conference on July 2, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. (prevailing Eastern Time). Interested parties who wish to participate by video or audio may do so by registering in advance at:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsd-Gqrz4vHviyOV1S40Up-Glp6LmbN9M>

I. INTRODUCTION

In support of the relief requested at the first day hearing, the Debtor refers the Court to the *Declaration of Christopher Lascell in Support of Chapter 11 Petition and First Day Pleadings of Hopeman Brothers, Inc.* [Docket No. 8].

The Debtor also refers the Court to the *Witness and Exhibit List for First Day Hearing* [To be Filed].

II. FIRST DAY MOTIONS

1. **“Claims and Noticing Agent Application”** – *Application of the Debtor for Entry of an Order (I) Authorizing the Appointment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global as Claims and Noticing Agent Effective as of the Petition Date; and (II) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 3].
2. **“Notice of Commencement Motion”** – *Motion of the Debtor for Entry of an Order (I) Waiving the Requirement to Submit a Formatted Mailing Matrix, (II) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice of Commencement of the Chapter 11 Case; and (III) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 4].
3. **“Cash Management Motion”** – *Motion of the Debtor for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Authorizing Debtor to Use Existing Bank Accounts and Business Forms; and (II) Granting the Debtor an Extension of Time to Comply with Section 345(b) of the Bankruptcy Code* [Docket No. 5].
4. **“PI Claimants Service Motion”** – *Motion of the Debtor for Entry of an Order (I) Authorizing the Listing of Addresses of Counsel for Personal Injury Claimants in the Creditor Matrix in Lieu of Claimants’ Addresses; (II) Approving Notice Procedures for Such Claimants; and (III) Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. 6].
5. **“Stay Extension Motion”** – *Motion of the Debtor for Entry of Interim and Final Orders Extending the Automatic Stay to Stay Asbestos-Related Actions Against Non-Debtor Defendants* [Docket No. 7].

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Dated: July 1, 2024
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