THE HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER M. ALSTON

Chapter 11

Date: May 20, 2016 Time: 9:30 a.m.

Response Date: May 13, 2016 Location: Courtroom 7206

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

In Re

No. 16-11767-CMA

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Declaration of George
Humphrey in Support of
Landlord's Reply in Support
Of Emergency motion to
Compel immediate and
Ongoing compliance with
Lease agreement, and for
Adequate protection and
Assurances

- I, George Humphrey, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am the managing member of Gatewood-California, LLC (the "<u>Landlord</u>"), formerly known as Humphrey Industries, Ltd. The statements contained in this declaration are based on my personal knowledge and I am competent to make this declaration.
- 2. I make this declaration in support of the Landlord's Reply in Support of Emergency Motion to Compel Immediate and Ongoing Compliance with Lease Agreement, and for Adequate Protection and Assurances (the "Reply" in support of the "Motion").
- 3. Landlord is a Washington LLC that owns a single asset: commercial real property located at 550 3rd Street, Building B, Auburn, Washington 98001 (the "Property").

DECLARATION OF GEORGE HUMPHREY IN SUPPORT OF LANDLORD'S REPLY - 1 NO. 16-11767-CMA

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The Property is secured by a deed of trust. I personally guaranteed the Landlord's obligations under that deed of trust.

- 4. Northwest Territorial Mint, LLC (the "<u>Debtor</u>") is the current tenant of the Property.
- 5. Throughout April, the Landlord communicated to both the Debtor and the Debtor's Chapter 11 Trustee, Mark Calvert (the "<u>Trustee</u>") that the Debtor's rent obligation for April 2016 (the "<u>April Rent</u>") came due on April 1, 2016 and was therefore past-due. One such communication occurred on April 11, 2016, the day of the Trustee's appointment.
- 6. On April 12, I toured the Property with the Trustee. During that tour, I discussed insurance issues with the Trustee. We also discussed future rent obligations. In the days following that tour, I continued to communicate with the Debtor regarding the past-due April Rent and insurance. Towards the end of April 2016, I found out the rent check had not been sent (as I was told it had been), and that the Debtor did not know when I would get paid as it had no money.
- 7. On April 21, 2016, I informed Paul Wagner, a representative of the Debtor, that I would be instructing my attorneys to file a motion with the Court to enforce my rights under the Bankruptcy Code due to the Debtor's failure to provide an accurate timeline of when I could expect payment of the April Rent. A copy of that email is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- 8. On April 26, 2016, Paul Wagner, after multiple conversations, informed me via email that he assumed the check for the April Rent was forthcoming. A copy of that email is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- 9. On April 25, 2016, with the April Rent nearly a full month past-due, and still without any reliable indication of when it would get paid (if ever), I directed the filing of the Motion to avoid further delay.

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- 10. To date, the Landlord has received two post-petition checks: first, a \$9,904.27 check received and deposited on April 29, 2016; second, a \$9,904.27 check received and deposited on May 6, 2016 (collectively, the "Rent Checks").
- Washington real property taxes for the Property came due on May 2, 2016. A 11. copy of the 2016 real property tax assessment is attached as Exhibit C.

DATED: May 17, 2016

George Humphrey

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned declares as follows:

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That she is a legal assistant in the law firm of Lane Powell PC, and on May 17, 2016, she caused the attached document to be filed electronically through the CM/ECF system which caused Registered Participants to be served by electronic means, as fully reflected on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington and the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 17th day of May, 2016, at Seattle, Washington.

/s/ Denise A. Campbell

Denise A. Campbell, Legal Assistant

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