Michael J. Gearin, WSBA # 20982 Honorable Christopher M. Alston 1 David C. Neu, wsba#33143 Chapter 11 Brian T. Peterson, WSBA # 42088 Hearing Location: Rm. 7206 2 K&L GATES LLP Hearing Date: June 9, 2017 925 Fourth Avenue, Suite 2900 Hearing Time: 9:30 a.m. 3 Seattle, WA 98104-1158 Response Date: June 2, 2017 (206) 623-7580 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT SEATTLE 10 In re: Case No. 16-11767-CMA 11 NORTHWEST TERRITORIAL MINT, LLC, TRUSTEE'S REPLY TO ROSS HANSEN'S RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR AUTHORITY 12 Debtor. TO (A) SELL GRACO INVENTORY; (B) 13 ABANDON TRUCK; (C) DISPOSE OF EQUIPMENT AT SCRAP VALUE; AND (D) 14 ABANDON AND DESTROY RECORDS 15 Mark Calvert (the "Trustee"), Chapter 11 Trustee for Northwest Territorial Mint, LLC 16 ("NWTM" or the "Debtor"), replies to Ross Hansen's response (the "Response") to his Motion, 17 requesting authority to (a) sell certain inventory associated with NWTM's Graco Awards business; 18 (b) abandon a 1962 Chevrolet C/50 truck; (c) to sell or abandon certain scrap equipment that is of no 19 longer any use to NWTM; and (d) abandon and destroy business records of NWTM from before 20 2009 (the "Motion") as follows: 21 REPLY 22 As was detailed in the Motion and supporting declaration, the estate has no use for the pre-23 2009 records of NWTM (the "Records"), which go back as far as 1990 and which take up a 24 substantial amount of space in the Debtor's facility. In order to resolve issues with the landlord 25 26

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regarding fire hazard issues and cleanliness of the facility, and to free the estate from the burden of maintaining the Records, the Trustee should be granted authority to destroy the Records.

It is unclear what value Ross Hansen believes the Records offer. It is also unclear what standing Ross Hansen, whose equity interest in the Debtor has no value by his own admission, has to object to the Motion. Nonetheless, the Trustee is willing to allow Ross Hansen a limited period of time to take possession of, and remove from the Dayton facility at his own expense, the Records which the Trustee intends to destroy. The Trustee is unwilling, however, to continue to store old and irrelevant records at a cost to the estate. Accordingly, the Trustee will agree to allow Ross Hansen a period of two weeks from the entry of an Order approving the Motion to remove the Records, and respectfully requests that the Court enter an order in the form (reflecting edits in redline) attached hereto as Exhibit A.

DATED this 6th day of June, 2017.

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Northwest Territorial Mint LLC c/o Ross Hansen, Member P.O. Box 2148 Auburn, WA 98071-2148

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 the 6th day of June, 2017 at Seattle, Washington.

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