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In re:

ALUMINUM SHAPES, L.L.C.,

Debtor.

Chapter 11

JNP

Case No. 21- 16520 - ()

**INTERIM ORDER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 366 PROHIBITING UTILITIES
FROM ALTERING, REFUSING OR DISCONTINUING SERVICES ON ACCOUNT OF
PREPETITION CLAIMS AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING
REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL ADEQUATE ASSURANCE**

The relief set forth on the

ORDERED.

DATED: August 19, 2021

Honorable Jerrold N. Poslusny, Jr.
United States Bankruptcy Court

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AND NOW, upon consideration of the Debtor's Motion (the "Motion")¹ pursuant to sections 105(a), 366 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), (a) prohibiting the Debtor's utility service providers, including, but not limited to the Utility Companies listed on Exhibit "A"² attached to the Motion, from altering, refusing, or discontinuing services on account of outstanding prepetition claims, and (b) establishing procedures for determining requests for additional adequate assurances of payment for future utility services, and any responses to the Motion, and after notice and hearing, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED as follows:

1. The Motion is GRANTED on an interim basis to the extent set forth herein.
2. During the period prior to the Final Hearing on the Motion currently scheduled for September 15, 2021 (the "Interim Period"), the Debtor is authorized to pay on a timely basis all undisputed invoices with respect to post-petition Utility Services rendered by the Utility Companies.
3. Absent any further order of this Court, no Utility Company shall (a) alter, refuse, or discontinue service to, or discriminate against the Debtor, solely on the basis of the commencement of this case or on account of any unpaid amount for utility service provided prior to the Petition Date, or (b) discontinue service on account of any unpaid prepetition charges or require additional adequate assurance of payment other than the Debtor's ability to pay for future utility services in the ordinary course.

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Motion.

² Nothing contained in Exhibit "A" shall constitute an admission by the Debtor that an entity contained in such nonexclusive list is a utility entitled to the protections afforded by section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code or any other provision of the Bankruptcy Code.

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4. During the Interim Period, the Debtor may, in the exercise of its business judgment, make additional deposits with Utility Companies, pay prepetition claims of Utility Companies, or by agreement with the Utility Company, apply any prepetition deposits, bonds, letters of credit or other assurances of payment to any amount due or that may become due in order to provide assurance of payment.

5. To the extent the Bankruptcy Code allows and unless otherwise agreed by the Debtor and Utility Company, any deposits, bonds, letters of credit or other assurances of payment that were in place prior to the Petition Date shall remain in place and shall continue to be held by each Utility Company holding the same, except upon the entry of further order of this Court. This paragraph shall not apply to PSE&G.

6. This Interim Order is without prejudice to the rights of any Utility Company to request from the Debtor additional assurance in the form of deposits or other security, provided however, that any such request must (a) be made in writing and (b) include a summary of the Debtor's monthly usage and payment history relevant to the affected account.

7. Any Utility Company having made a request for additional adequate assurance of payment shall be deemed to have adequate assurance of payment until the Court enters a final order in connection with such a request finding that the Utility Company is not adequately assured of future payment.

8. The Debtor shall serve a copy of the Motion (if not already served) and this Interim Order and any other orders entered with respect to the Motion (the "Notice Package") upon each of the Utility Companies listed on Exhibit A attached to the Motion at the addresses listed thereon,

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by first-class mail, postage prepaid, no later than five (5) business days after the entry of Interim Order.

9. Any utility company that is not currently listed on Exhibit A to the Motion, but subsequently identified by the Debtor, shall be served with the Motion and any orders entered with respect thereto and shall be afforded thirty (30) days from the date of service of the Notice Package to such utility company to make a Request.

10. Substantially contemporaneously with such service, the Debtor shall file with the Court a supplement to Exhibit A adding the name of the utility company or companies so served and not listed on the Exhibit A attached to the Motion and this Interim Order shall be deemed to apply to such utility company or companies from the date of such service, subject to a later order of this Court on a motion for determination of adequate assurance, if any.

11. Nothing in this Interim Order or the Motion shall be deemed to affect any burden of proof that either the Debtor or any Utility Company may have in a Determination Hearing or to confer upon the Utility Companies listed in Exhibit A to the Motion the status of a “utility” within the meaning of section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code.

12. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Motion or this Interim Order, any payment, obligation or other relief authorized by this Interim Order shall be subject to and limited by the applicable DIP financing budget and/or cash collateral authorization requirements imposed on the Debtor under the terms of any orders authorizing the incurrence of postpetition financing and/or the use of cash collateral, or any approved budget in connection therewith, entered by this Court in this chapter 11 case.

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13. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Interim Order or any payment made pursuant to the authority granted by this Interim Order is intended to be or shall be construed as (i) an admission as to the validity of any claim against the Debtor, (ii) a waiver of the Debtor's or any party-in-interest's rights to dispute any claim, or (iii) an approval or assumption of any agreement, contract, program, policy, or lease under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

14. Notwithstanding entry of this Interim Order, nothing herein shall create, nor is intended to create, any rights in favor of, or enhance the status of, any claim held by any party.

15. This Court retains jurisdiction to construe and enforce this Interim Order.

16. The Debtor is hereby authorized and empowered to take such steps and perform such acts as may be necessary to effectuate the terms of this Interim Order.

17. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6003 this Interim Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry; The Court expressly finds that there is no reason for delay in the implementation of this Interim Order.

18. The Final Hearing on the Motion shall be held before this Court on **September 15, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time)** before the Honorable Jerrold Poslusny, United States Bankruptcy Judge, at the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey, located at U.S. Post Office and Courthouse, 401 Market Street, Camden, NJ 08101.

19. The Debtor shall, within three (3) business days of the entry of this Interim Order, serve a copy of the Interim Order and a notice of the Final Hearing to consider entry of a final order upon: (A) the U.S. Trustee; (B) all Utility Companies; and (C) any other party that files a request for notices with the Court as of the date of such service.

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20. Any party in interest objecting to the entry of a final order on the Motion shall submit any such objection in writing and file same with this Court and serve such objection so as to be received no later than **September 8, 2021** on the following parties: (A) the U.S. Trustee, (B) Debtor's proposed counsel Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hoppel LLP, Centre Square, 1500 Market Street, Suite 3400, Philadelphia, PA 19102 (Attn: Edmond George, Esq.) (Email: Edmond.George@obermayer.com); (C) all Utility Companies; and (D) any other party that files a request for notices with the Court as of the date of such service.