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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

CHICAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS PENSION FUND, et al.,) CASE NO. 08CV6639
Plaintiffs, vs.))) JUDGE LINDBERG
PHD CORP. and PH DRYWALL, INC.)
Defendants.)

SWORN DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C.A. § 1746

Amy Elizabeth Paluch Epton, declares as follows:

- 1. I am an associate of the law firm of Whitfield, McGann & Ketterman and am licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois and in the U.S. Dist. Court for Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division.
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and if called to testify in this matter, I can competently testify to such facts from my own such knowledge.
- 3. I have been a licensed attorney for 6 years and have over 5 years of experience representing trustees of employee benefit plans, including the prosecution of Federal Court litigation to collect delinquent employer contributions.
- 4. The Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Trust Agreements under which this action is based provide for the payment of attorneys' fees and costs incurred if the Trust Funds utilize legal counsel to collect unpaid ERISA contributions.
- 5. My firm has over 30.20 hours in connection with this case at the rate of \$175.00 per hour, which changed to \$185.00 per hour on November 1, 2008. The total attorney fees billings is \$9,631.00.
- 6. In addition, the filing fee was \$350.00 and the fees for service of process were an additional \$80.00. The audit fees total \$7,524.10. These costs total \$7,954.10.
- 7. I certify that the attached detailed attorney fees and costs totaling \$17,585.10 were necessary and reasonable.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that

the foregoing information contained in this Declaration is true and correct.

Date: November 13, 2009

AMY ELIZABETH PALUCH PTON Attorney for Plaintiffs

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Units Rate Slip Value Slip ID **ATTORNEY** Dates and Time Activity **DNB** Time Rate Info Posting Status Case Est. Time Bill Status Description Reference Variance 368894 TIME **AEPE** 1.00 185.00 185.00 12/2/2008 Billable 0.00 T@7 0.00 Billed G:75059 1/5/2009 CTF-A./N7803/24030 Review Scott Forrest Stern & Assoc., Inc.'s 0.00 report on service of the summons and complaint; review process server remarks regarding details of service; review affidavit of service for legality; electronically file the proof of service with the clerk of the U.S. Dist. Court for the Northern Dist. of Illinois: docket follow-up dates for Answer due date: correspondence to the fund office regarding service and Answer due dates. AEPE 185.00 277.50 369050 TIME 1.50 12/4/2008 0.00 Billable T@7 Billed G:75059 1/5/2009 0.00 CTF-A./N7803/24030 Sent a letter to Audit Coordinator Nathaniel 0.00 Legao, requesting the updated calculations. Began drafting the Motion for Default. 37.00 369098 TIME **AEPE** 0.20 185.00 12/5/2008 0.00 T@7 Billable Billed G:75059 1/5/2009 CTF-A./N7803/24030 0.00 Reviewed docket entry: Status hearing set 0.00 for 12/18/2008 at 10:30a.m. Diaried for appearance. 369099 TIME **AEPE** 3.00 185.00 555.00 0.00 12/5/2008 Billable T@7 Billed G:75059 1/5/2009 CTF-A./N7803/24030 0.00 Reviewed the calculations sent by Audit 0.00 Coordinator Nathaniel Lagalo, Replied to his email. Finished the first draft of the Motion for Default, Drafted a Declaration for James Rosemeyer. Drafted an attorney fee affidavit. 369217 TIME 1.00 185.00 185.00 **AEPE** 12/9/2008 Billable 0.00 T@7 0:00 Billed G:75059 1/5/2009 CTF-A./N7803/24030 Review Scott Forrest Stern & Assoc., Inc.'s 0.00 report on service of the summons and complaint; review process server remarks regarding details of service: review affidavit of service for legality: electronically file the proof of service with the clerk of the U.S. Dist. Court for the Northern Dist. of Illinois:

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service and Answer due dates.

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369296 12/10/2008 Billed Made revisions	TIME G:75059 to the Motion f	1/5/2009 for Default.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
369393 12/12/2008 Billed Review of Judg hearing proceding December 18 in Judge Lindberg conference req docket to see if filed. Made revi Default.	ures, in prepara ntial status hea l's "face-to-face uirement. Revid an appearance	ation for the ring. Review o e" settlement ew of the e has been	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 f	3.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	555.00
369474 12/15/2008 Billed Reviewed the dappearance wasee who should upcoming statuletters - one to and one to a lay corporations (without the most the upcoming to the most the upcompositions to the most the most the most the most the upcompositions to the most the	s filed. Review I be contacted is hearing. Drafe each of the two wyer representing hich was not secoming status h	ed the file to relating to the fed three ocorporations, ng one of the ent), informing earing. Made	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	2.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	462.50
369693 12/18/2008 Billed Court appearan court hearing.	TIME G:75059 ce for status. D	1/5/2009 Diaried next	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50
369738 12/22/2008 Billed Emailed the pro Lindberg.	TIME G:75059 posed Order to	1/5/2009 o Judge	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
369815 12/23/2008 Billed Reviewed the re the addresses of that one set of t	of the defendan	1/5/2009 of status and ts, to ensure	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
370124 1/5/2009 Billed	TIME G:75274	2/2/2009	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.50 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50

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370276 TIME 1/7/2009 Billed G:75274 2/2/2009 Reviewed docket entry: Status hearing held Plaintiffs' request for the Court to find defendants in default is granted. Prove-up hearing set for 1/28/2009 at 10:00a.m. Downloaded documents for file. one	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
370326 TIME 1/8/2009 Billed G:75274 2/2/2009 Discussion of legal strategy with Attorney Daniel P. McAnally. Review of the file. Telephone call to Audit Coordinator Nathaniel Lagalo, left a detailed message to call back relating to the current status of the company, as this will affect the strategy.		1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
371007 TIME 1/23/2009 Billed G:75274 2/2/2009 Discussion of legal strategy with Attorney Daniel P. McAnally and Attorney Travis J. Ketterman, as to the best way to draft the final judgment. Drafted the prove up notice, revised the previous order and the attorney affidavit. Telephone call to John Libby, to discuss signature of his affidavit. Emailed it to him, arranged for filing of all.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	2.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	370.00
371161 TIME 1/27/2009 Billed G:75274 2/2/2009 Reviewed an order issued by the Court, directing us to file a motion for default and for prove-up. Diaried for compliance.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
371725 TIME 2/4/2009 Billed G:75515 3/2/2009 Reviewed the Motion for Default Judgment, updated the attorneys' fees and total owed, pursuant to the Judge's recent Order to file	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50

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the motion. 371792 TIME 2/5/2009 Billed G:75515 3/2/2009 Made final revisions to the Motion and affidavits, and drafted a proposed order. Drafted an email to John Libby, explaining the Judge's several decisions as to how to handle the default. Telephone call to Audit Coordinator Nathaniel Lagalo, to review the amount of the auditor's fee. Telephone call from John Libby, Audit & Collection Supervisor, to discuss status. Made changes in the motion to reflect the correct audit fees.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
372023 TIME 2/10/2009 Billed G:75515 3/2/2009 Reviewed docket: Plaintiffs' motion for entry of order of judgment is denied, without prejudice. However, the Court orders defendants to produce records for defendant PH Drywall, Inc., for the period June 2005 through December 2006, that are relevant to plaintiffs' claims. These records shall be produced to plaintiffs by 3/4/09. No court appearance is required on 2/11/09. Downloaded documents for file.		0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
372246 TIME 2/13/2009 Billed G:75515 3/2/2009 Drafted a letter to the defendant, informing it of the Judge's order for an audit. Reviewed the file to see where proper service should be sent.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.75 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	138.75
372639 TIME 2/23/2009 Billed G:75515 3/2/2009 Reviewed a letter from the company, saying they had already produced their records. Telephone call to the company representative, explaining that the court has ordered production of the alter ego records. Drafted a letter to the company, explaining this in more detail, and highlighting the records to be produced.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00

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373268 3/3/2009 Billed Telephone call f discussing prod			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.35 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	64.75
373604 3/10/2009 Billed Prepare monthly report for Audit John Libby.			TJK Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.10 0.00 0.00 0.00	225.00 T@7	22.50
376096 4/20/2009 Billed Prepare monthly report for Audit John Libby.			TJK Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.10 0.00 0.00 0.00	225.00 T@7	22.50
376924 5/1/2009 Billed Review of file. D production of the			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 t.	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
377076 5/4/2009 Billed Began drafting a	TIME G:76314 a Rule to Show	6/1/2009 v Cause.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
377461 5/11/2009 Billed Finished the firs Cause. Began of Declaration.			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50
377597 5/13/2009 Billed Made revisions motion.	TIME G:76314 to the Rule to	6/1/2009 Show Cause	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50
377778 5/13/2009 Billed Review the prior the last quarterly review attorney case for current collected, total a	y litigation stat fees through 0 status; calcula	us report; 04/30/09 reviev ate amounts		0.20 0.00 0.00 0.00	195.00 T@7	39.00

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378055 5/20/2009 Billed Reviewed file for Rule to show to present.			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 t	1.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50
379562 6/9/2009 Billed Review docket Rule to Show C 2009.			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50
379626 6/11/2009 Billed Drafted a letter hearing on the			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 a	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50
380366 6/24/2009 Billed Court appearan to show cause.	TIME G:76630 ace for the heari	7/1/2009 ing on the rule	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50
380368 6/24/2009 Billed Drafted a proporthe defendant, the defendant, the Drafted a letter request service	to accompany ti to the process	he Order.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	2.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	370.00
380949 7/1/2009 Billed Made arranger Rule to Show C sent to the proc	ause entered, a		AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
381428 7/9/2009 Billed Drafted letters t accompany the			AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50

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382125 TIME 7/21/2009 Billed G:76903 8/3/2009 Discussion of the issues of the case with Attorney David Lichtman.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
382539 TIME 7/28/2009 Billed G:76903 8/3/2009 Prepare for court status/motion hearing; review file for current status and most recenactivity; telephone conversation with trust fund regarding status of the litigation; review court docket to confirm that the case will be called for status.	l .	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	175.00 T@7	43.75
382752 TIME 7/28/2009 Billed G:76903 8/3/2009 Telephone call from the cmopany owner saying he will appear at the hearing. Discussion of same with attorney David P. Lichtman.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
382797 TIME 7/29/2009 Billed G:76903 8/3/2009 Attend status hearing; prepare correspondence to Amy Elizabeth Paluch Epton regarding same.	DPL Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	175.00 T@7	175.00
382798 TIME 7/29/2009 Billed G:76903 8/3/2009 Prepare for court motion hearing; review file for current status and most recent activity; review court docket to confirm that the case will be called for status.		0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	175.00 T@7	43.75
383584 TIME 8/1/2009 Billed G:77188 9/1/2009 Review the prior attorney fees and status of the last quarterly litigation status report; review attorney fees through 07/15/09 reviecase for current status; calculate amounts collected, total and since the last quarter; update the report for the August 2009 quarterly trustees' meeting.		0.20 0.00 0.00 0.00	195.00 T@7	39.00

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383013 TIME 8/4/2009 Billed G:77188 Reviewed docket entry, d documents to file, diaried hearing held and continue 10:00 a.m. Greg Ford, Pro of defendants PHD Corp. Inc., is ordered to turn over records by 8/27/2009.	dates. Show caused to 9/9/2009 at esident and Office and PH Drywall,	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 e	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
383041 TIME 8/4/2009 Billed G:77188 Reviewed an email from A Nate Lagalo, requesting a the case. Drafted a respo of the documents submitt defendant.	Audit Coordinator in updated status nse letter. Review		2.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	370.00
383043 TIME 8/5/2009 Billed G:77188 Drafted a letter to accompto the Trust Funds. Made copying and delivery.	any the documen		0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50
383141 TIME 8/7/2009 Billed G:77188 Reviewed an email from A Nate Lagalo, in response Discussion of what to do a records.	Audit Coordinator to the records ser	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030 ot.	0.25 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	46.25
385029 TIME 9/9/2009 Billed G:77460 Court appearance for the for Rule to Show Cause.		AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	277.50
387529 TIME 10/28/2009 Billed G:77706 Reviewed the judge's ord hearing. Reviewed the file to Audit Coordinator Nate about status. Telephone of Coordinator Lagalo regard	er for a status e. Drafted an emai Lagalo, inquiring conversation with	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	0.50 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	92.50

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388551 11/13/2009 WIP Drafted a new I	TIME Motion for Default.	AEPE Billable CTF-A./N7803/24030	1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	185.00 T@7	185.00
Grand Total		Billable Unbillable Total	52.40 0.00 52.40	-	9631.00 0.00 9631.00

STERN PROCESS & INVESTIGATION, LLC TaxId:04-3801615 205 W. RANDOLPH ST 730 Phone:(312) 853 - 2150 Fax:(312) 853 - 3119 CHICAGO, IL, 60606 WHITFIELD, MCGANN & KETTERMAN 111 E WACKER DRIVE 2600 (312)-251-9700 Fax (312)-251-9701 Phone CHICAGO, IL, 60601 Client Case# N7803 AEPE Court Case# 08CV6639 Plaintiff: Trustees of the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters, et al. County: UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT PROFESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS, INC. Server Name: 207019 Invoice# HOLLY BLANKENSHIP CORPORATE SERVICE Defendant 1: PHD Corp. HOLLY BLANKENSHIP CORPORATE SERVICE PH DRYWALL, INC. Defendant 2: 12/1/2008 Final Invoice Invoice 11/24/2008 **Service** Time: 11:37:00 12/1/2008 Date of Service: Date: AM Date: Location of Service 801 Adlai Stevenson Dr. , Springfield, IL, 62703 Delivery Charge Bad Address Filing Database Charge Skip Trace Rush Investigation Mileage Total \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$80.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 Check No: **Amount Received:** 12/20/2008 Payment Date: Case Return Date: \$80.00 **Grand Total:** \$0,00 Amount Received: \$80.00 Baiance Due: