

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

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In re:	)	Chapter 11
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THE ROCKPORT COMPANY, LLC, <i>et al.</i> ,	)	Case No. 18-11145 (LSS)
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Debtors. <sup>1</sup>	)	(Jointly Administered)
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**NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR THE FILING OF PROOFS OF CLAIM, INCLUDING FOR  
CLAIMS ASSERTED UNDER SECTION 503(b)(9) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE**

**(GENERAL BAR DATE IS AUGUST 30, 2018, AT 5:00 P.M. (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME))**

TO: ALL HOLDERS OF POTENTIAL CLAIMS AGAINST THE DEBTORS (AS LISTED BELOW)

Please take notice that on May 14, 2018 (the “**Petition Date**”), the debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (together, the “**Debtors**”) filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the “**Chapter 11 Cases**”) with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “**Court**”).

Please take further notice that on July 25, 2018, the Court entered an order (the “**Bar Date Order**”) establishing August 30, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the “**General Bar Date**”) as the last date and time for each person or entity to file a proof of claim in the Chapter 11 Cases (the “**Proof of Claim**” or “**Proofs of Claims**,” as applicable); provided that, solely with respect to a governmental unit, the last date and time for such governmental unit to file a Proof of Claim in the Chapter 11 Cases is November 12, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the “**Governmental Bar Date**,” and together with the General Bar Date, the “**Bar Dates**”).

For your convenience, enclosed with this Notice is a proof of claim form (the “**Proof of Claim Form**”). To the extent your claim is listed in the Debtors’ schedules of assets and liabilities filed in these Chapter 11 Cases (collectively, the “**Schedules**”), such Proof of Claim Form identifies on its face the amount, nature and classification of your claim in the Schedules.

Please take further notice that the Bar Date Order and the procedures set forth therein and herein for the filing of Proofs of Claim apply to all claims (the holder of any such claim, a “**Claimant**”) against the Debtors that arose, or are deemed to have arisen, prior to the Petition Date, regardless of their character or nature, whether secured or unsecured, priority or non-priority, liquidated or unliquidated,

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<sup>1</sup> The debtors and debtors in possession in these cases and the last four digits of their respective Employer Identification Numbers are: Rockport Blocker, LLC (5097), The Rockport Group Holdings, LLC (3025), TRG 1-P Holdings, LLC (4756), TRG Intermediate Holdings, LLC (8931), TRG Class D, LLC (4757), The Rockport Group, LLC (5559), The Rockport Company, LLC (5456), Drydock Footwear, LLC (7708), DD Management Services LLC (8274), and Rockport Canada ULC (3548). The debtors’ mailing address is 1220 Washington Street, West Newton, Massachusetts 02465.

fixed or contingent, including, without limitation, claims entitled to administrative priority status under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, no matter how remote or contingent.

As used in this Notice, the term “**creditor**” has the meaning given to it in Section 101(10) of the Bankruptcy Code, and includes all persons, entities, estates, trusts, governmental units and the United States Trustee. In addition, the terms “**persons**,” “**entities**,” and “**governmental units**” are defined in Sections 101(41), 101(15) and 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code, respectively.

As used in this Notice, the term “**claim**” or “**Claim**” has the meaning given to it in Section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, and includes as to or against the Debtors: (a) any right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) any right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured.

**YOU ARE RECEIVING THIS NOTICE BECAUSE YOU MAY HAVE OR YOU MAY ASSERT A CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTORS IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED CHAPTER 11 CASES. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AND DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ATTORNEY, YOU MAY WISH TO CONSULT ONE.**

**General Information about the Debtors’ Cases.** The Debtors’ cases are being jointly administered under case number 18-11145 (LSS). On May 23, 2018, the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors in these Chapter 11 Cases. As of this date, no trustee or examiner has been appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases.

**Individual Debtor Information.** The last four or five digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number are set forth below. The Debtors’ mailing address is 1220 Washington Street, West Newton, Massachusetts 02465.

<u>Debtor</u>	<u>Case No.</u>	<u>EID# (Last 4 Digits)</u>
The Rockport Company, LLC	18-11145	5456
Rockport Blocker, LLC	18-11146	5097
The Rockport Group Holdings, LLC	18-11147	3025
TRG 1-P Holdings, LLC	18-11148	4756
TRG Intermediate Holdings, LLC	18-11149	8931
TRG Class D, LLC	18-11150	4757
The Rockport Group, LLC	18-11151	5559
Drydock Footwear, LLC	18-11152	7708
DD Management Services LLC	18-11153	8274
Rockport Canada ULC	18-11154	3548

**A CLAIMANT SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY IF THE CLAIMANT HAS ANY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING WHETHER SUCH CLAIMANT SHOULD FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM.**

**1. PERSONS OR ENTITIES WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM.**

Any person or entity that has or seeks to assert a claim against the Debtors which arose, or is deemed to have arisen, prior to the Petition Date, including, without limitation, a claim under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, **MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM ON OR BEFORE THE APPLICABLE BAR DATE** in order to potentially share in the Debtors' estates.

Under the Bar Date Order, the filing of a Proof of Claim Form shall be deemed to satisfy the procedural requirements for the assertion of administrative priority claims under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. All other administrative claims under Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code must be made by separate requests for payment in accordance with Section 503(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and shall not be deemed proper if made by proof of claim. No deadline has yet been established for the filing of administrative claims other than claims under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. **Claims under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code must be filed by the General Bar Date.**

Acts or omissions of the Debtors that occurred or arose before the Petition Date may give rise to Claims against the Debtors that must be filed by the applicable Bar Date, notwithstanding that such Claims may not have matured, are contingent or have not become fixed or liquidated prior to or as of the Petition Date.

**THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM OR THAT THE DEBTORS BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM. A CLAIMANT SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY IF THE CLAIMANT HAS ANY QUESTIONS, INCLUDING WHETHER SUCH CLAIMANT SHOULD FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM.**

**A. Claims For Which No Proof of Claim is Required to be Filed.**

Notwithstanding the above, holders of the following claims are not required to file a Proof of Claim on or before the applicable Bar Date solely with respect to such claim:

(i) a claim against the Debtors for which a signed proof of claim has already been properly filed with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware or Prime Clerk LLC ("**Prime Clerk**") in a form substantially similar to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410;

(ii) a claim that is listed on the Debtors' Schedules if and only if (i) such claim is not scheduled as "disputed," "contingent," "unliquidated," or with an unknown or zero amount and (ii) the holder of such claim agrees with the amount, nature and priority of the claim or the Debtor whom such claim is asserted against as set forth in the Schedules;

(iii) an administrative expense claim allowable under Sections 503(b) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code as an expense of administration (other than any claim allowable under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code);

(iv) an administrative expense claim for postpetition fees and expenses incurred by any professional allowable under Sections 330, 331, and 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code;

(v) a claim that has been paid in full by the Debtors in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code or an order of this Court;

(vi) a claim that has been allowed by an order of this Court entered on or before the applicable Bar Date; and

(vii) a claim for which specific deadlines have been fixed by an order of this Court entered on or before the applicable Bar Date.

(viii) a claim by the (a) DIP ABL Lenders, on account of a claim under the DIP ABL Documents; (b) DIP Note Purchasers, on account of a claim under the DIP Note Documents; (c) ABL Secured Parties, on account of a claim under the Prepetition ABL Credit Agreement; and (d) Prepetition Noteholders, on account of a claim under the Prepetition Note Purchase Agreement..

**Please take notice that any Claimant exempted from filing a Proof of Claim pursuant to paragraph A above must still properly and timely file a Proof of Claim for any other claim that does not fall within the exemptions provided by paragraph A above.** As set forth in clause (v) above, creditors are not required to file a proof of claim with respect to any amounts paid by the Debtors. To the extent that any amounts paid by the Debtors to a creditor are subject to disgorgement pursuant to a postpetition trade agreement or otherwise, such creditor shall have until the later of (i) the applicable Bar Date and (ii) thirty (30) days from the date of any disgorgement to file a Proof of Claim for the disgorged amount.

**B. No Bar Date for Proof of Interest.**

Any person or entity holding an equity security (as defined in Section 101(16) of the Bankruptcy Code and including, without limitation, common stock, preferred stock, warrants, or stock options) or other ownership interest in the Debtors (an “**Interest Holder**”) is not required to file a proof of interest on or before the applicable Bar Date; provided, however, that an Interest Holder that wishes to assert claims against the Debtors that arise out of or relate to the ownership or purchase of an equity security or other ownership interest, including, but not limited to, a claim for damages or rescission based on the purchase or sale of such equity security or other ownership interest, must file a Proof of Claim on or before the applicable Bar Date. The Debtors have reserved the right to establish at a later time a bar date requiring Interest Holders to file proofs of interest. If such a bar date is established, Interest Holders will be notified in writing of the bar date for filing of proofs of interest at the appropriate time.

**C. Claims Arising from Rejected Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases.**

Any person or entity that holds a claim that arises from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease must file a Proof of Claim based on such rejection by the later of (a) the General Bar Date or (a) the General Bar Date or (b) 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date that is thirty (30) days from the date of the entry of any order authorizing the rejection of such executory contract or unexpired lease (unless the order authorizing such rejection provides otherwise).

**D. Amendment to the Debtors’ Schedules.**

If the Debtors amend their Schedules after you receive this notice, the Debtors will give notice of that amendment to the holders of claims that are affected by it, and those holders will be given an opportunity to file proofs of claim before a new deadline that will be specified in that future notice.

**2. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE.**

All Claimants must submit (by overnight mail, courier service, hand delivery, regular mail, or in person) an original, written Proof of Claim that substantially conforms to the Proof of Claim Form so as to be **actually received** by Prime Clerk, the Debtors' claims and notice agent, by no later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on or before the applicable Bar Date at the following address:

The Rockport Company, LLC Claims Processing Center  
c/o Prime Clerk LLC  
850 Third Avenue, Suite 412  
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Alternatively, Claimants may submit a Proof of Claim electronically by completing the Proof of Claim Form that can be accessed at Prime Clerk's website, <https://cases.primeclerk.com/rockport>.

Proofs of Claim will be deemed timely filed only if **actually received** by Prime Clerk on or before the applicable Bar Date. Proofs of Claim may **not** be delivered by facsimile, teletype, or electronic mail transmission. Any facsimile, teletype, or electronic mail submissions will not be accepted and will not be deemed filed until a proof of claim is submitted to Prime Clerk by overnight mail, courier service, hand delivery, regular mail, in person, or through Prime Clerk's website listed above.

Claimants wishing to receive acknowledgment that their Proofs of Claim were received by Prime Clerk must submit (i) a copy of the Proof of Claim and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped envelope (in addition to the original Proof of Claim sent to Prime Clerk).

**3. CONTENTS OF A PROOF OF CLAIM.**

As noted above, the Debtors are enclosing a Proof of Claim Form for use in these Chapter 11 Cases, or you may use another proof of claim form that substantially conforms to Official Bankruptcy Form No. 410. The Proof of Claim Form is available free of charge on Prime Clerk's website, <https://cases.primeclerk.com/rockport>.

To be valid, your Proof of Claim **MUST** (i) be signed by the Claimant; (ii) be written in the English language; (iii) be denominated in lawful currency of the United States (and to the extent such claim is converted to currency of the United States, the conversion rate used in such conversion); (iv) conform substantially to the Proof of Claim Form or Official Form 410; (v) specify the Debtor against which the Proof of Claim is filed as well as the bankruptcy case number corresponding to such Debtor; (vi) set forth with specificity the legal and factual basis for the alleged claim; and (vii) include supporting documentation or an explanation as to why such documentation is not available.

**If you are filing a Claim under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, you must indicate in Box 13 of the Proof of Claim Form available on Prime Clerk's website at <https://cases.primeclerk.com/rockport> the amount of the Claim that arises under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. For each Claim under Section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code, you must attach to the Proof of Claim Form a supplemental statement setting forth with specificity: (i) the date of shipment of the goods you contend the Debtors received in the twenty (20) days before the Petition Date; (ii) the date, place, and method (including carrier name) of delivery of the goods you contend the Debtors received in the twenty (20) days before the Petition Date; (iii) the value of the goods you contend the Debtors received in the twenty (20) days before the Petition Date; and (iv) whether you timely made a demand to reclaim such goods under Section 546(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, and, if so, include any documentation identifying such demand.**

**4. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE PROOF OF CLAIM BY THE BAR DATE.**

Any Claimant that is required to file a Proof of Claim in these Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, or the Bar Date Order with respect to a particular claim against the Debtors, but that fails to do so properly by the applicable Bar Date, may not be treated as a creditor with respect to such claim for purposes of voting upon any plan and distribution from property of the Debtors' estates.

**5. CONTINGENT CLAIMS.**

Acts or omissions of or by the Debtors that occurred, or that are deemed to have occurred, prior to the Petition Date, including, without limitation, acts or omissions related to any indemnity agreement, guarantee, services provided to or rendered by the Debtors, or goods provided to or by the Debtors, may give rise to claims against the Debtors notwithstanding the fact that such claims (or any injuries on which they may be based) may be contingent or may not have matured or become fixed or liquidated prior to the Petition Date. Therefore, any person or entity that holds a claim or potential claim against the Debtors, no matter how remote, contingent, or unliquidated, **MUST** file a Proof of Claim on or before the applicable Bar Date.

**6. THE DEBTORS' SCHEDULES.**

You may be listed as the holder of a claim against the Debtors in the Schedules. The Schedules are available free of charge on Prime Clerk's website at <https://cases.primeclerk.com/rockport>. If you rely on the Schedules, it is your responsibility to determine that your claim is accurately listed in the Schedules. As described above, if (i) you agree with the nature, amount and status of your claim as listed in the Schedules **and** (ii) your claim is **NOT** described as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated," then you are not required to file a Proof of Claim in these Chapter 11 Cases with respect to such claim. Otherwise, or if you decide to file a Proof of Claim, you must do so before the applicable Bar Date in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Notice and the Bar Date Order.

**7. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS.**

Nothing contained in this Notice or the Bar Date Order is intended or should be construed as a waiver of any of the Debtor's rights, including without limitation, their rights to: (a) dispute, or assert offsets or defenses against, any filed claim or any claim listed or reflected in the Schedules as to the nature, amount, liability, or classification thereof; (b) subsequently designate any scheduled claim as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated; or (c) otherwise amend or supplement the Schedules. In addition, nothing contained herein is intended or should be construed as an admission of the validity of any claim against the Debtors or an approval, assumption, or rejection of any agreement, contract, or lease under Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. All such rights and remedies are reserved.

**8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**

The Schedules, the Proof of Claim Form and Bar Date Order are available free of charge on Prime Clerk's website at <https://cases.primeclerk.com/rockport>. If you have questions concerning the filing or processing of Claims, you may contact the Debtors' claims agent, Prime Clerk, at (844) 224-1137. If you require additional information regarding the filing of a Proof of Claim, you may contact counsel for the Debtors in writing at the addresses below.

Dated: July 25, 2018  
Wilmington, Delaware

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