UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKX

In re:

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METROMEDIA FIBER NETWORK, INC., et al.,

Debtors.

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Chapter 11

Case Nos. 02-22736 (ASH) through 02-22742 (ASH); 02-22744 (ASH) through-02-22746 (ASH); 02-22749 (ASH); 02-22751 (ASH) through 02-22754 (ASH)

(Jointly Administered)

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NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF CHAPTER 11 CASES AND MEETING OF CREDITORS PURSUANT **TO SECTION 341 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

COMMENCEMENT OF CASES: On May 20, 2002, the entities listed below (collectively, the "Debtors") each filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United Sates Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq. (the "Bankruptcy Code") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court"). The Debtors' Chapter 11 cases are being jointly administered under Case No. 02 -02-22736(ASH).

CREDITORS MAY NOT TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS: A creditor is anyone to whom the Debtors owe money or property. Under the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors are granted certain protection against creditors. Common examples of prohibited actions by creditors are contacting the Debtors to demand repayment, taking action against the Debtors to collect money owed to creditors or to take property of the Debtors, and starting or continuing foreclosure actions, repossessions or wage deductions. If unauthorized actions are taken against the Debtors, the Court may penalize that creditor. A creditor who is considering taking action against the Debtors or property of the Debtors should review § 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and may wish to seek legal advice.

MEETING OF CREDITORS: The Debtors' representative, as specified in Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9001(5), is required to appear at the meeting of creditors on the date and at the place set forth below for the purpose of being examined under oath. Attendance by creditors at the meeting is welcomed, but not required. At the meeting, creditors may examine the Debtors. The meeting may be continued or adjourned from time to time by notice at the meeting, without further written notice to creditors.

		DATE, TIM	E AND LOCATION OF MEETING OF CREDITORS
AUS CAF CMP COM CTR ECR	Time:	July 23, 2002 2:00 p.m.	Location: Office of the United States Trustee 80 Broad Street, 2 nd Floor New York, New York 10004
GCL OPC MMS SEC OTH	Proced	ure 1007. Any creditor	ales of creditors will be filed pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy holding a scheduled claim which is not listed as disputed, contingent, or , but is not required to, file a proof of claim in these cases. Creditors

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whose claims are not scheduled or whose claims are listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated as to amount and who desire to participate in these cases or share in any distribution must file their proofs of claim. A creditor who desires to rely on the schedules of creditors has the responsibility for determining that the claim is listed accurately. A proof of claim form and the deadline notice will be sent to you at a later date. A deadline for the last day for filing proofs of claim has not yet been established.

PURPOSE OF CHAPTER 11 FILING: Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code enables a debtor to reorganize pursuant to a plan. A plan is not effective unless approved by the Court at a confirmation hearing. Creditors will be given notice concerning any plan, or in the event these cases are dismissed or converted to another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors will remain in possession of their properties and will continue to operate their business unless a trustee is appointed.

NOTICE: You will not receive notice of all documents filed in these cases. You are required to file and serve a notice of appearance and request for documents if you wish to receive papers filed in these cases. All documents filed with the Court, including lists of the Debtors' property and debts, are available for inspection at the office of the clerk of the court listed below. Since this case is governed by the Court's General Order dated June 26, 1997 regarding electronic means of filing, signing and verifying documents, the Court's docket sheet and documents filed electronically are also accessible at the Court's Internet site, <u>www.nysb.uscourts.gov</u>, through an account obtained from Pacer Service Center at 1-800-676-6856. The attached Notice of Electronic Filing Procedure sets forth the requirements for using the Court's electronic filing system.

Dated: May 23, 2002 New York, NY KRONISH LIEB WEINER & HELLMAN LLP 1114 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036 (212) 479-6000 Lawrence C. Gottlieb (LG 6144) James A. Beldner (JB 7166) Richard S. Kanowitz (RK 0677)

Counsel for Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc., <u>et al</u>. Debtors and Debtors in Possession

Address of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York: 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, New York 10601

List of Debtors

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	COMPANY
1.	Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc.
2.	Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc.
3.	AboveNet Communications, Inc.
4.	SiteSmith, Inc.
5.	PAIX.net, Inc.
6.	Metromedia Fiber Network of Illinois, Inc.
7.	MFN Purchasing, Inc.
8.	Metromedia Fiber Network of New Jersey, Inc.
9.	MFN of Utah, L.L.C.
10.	MFN of Virginia, L.L.C.
11.	Metromedia Fiber National Network, Inc.
12.	Metromedia Fiber Network International, Inc.
13.	MFN International, L.L.C.
14.	MFN Japan Backhaul, Inc.
15.	MFN Europe Finance, Inc.

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United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of New York 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, NY 10601

NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING PROCEDURE

Case Name: Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc., et al.

Date Commenced: May 20, 2002

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These cases will be docketed exclusively on the court's Electronic Case Filing System. The system can be accessed via the Internet utilizing an attorney password. In compliance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 11 and in accordance with Local Bankruptcy Rule 9011-1, the attorney's password shall constitute the signature of the attorney; therefore security of a password issued to an attorney is the responsibility of that attorney. An original signed copy of the filing shall be maintained in the attorney's files. A chamber's copy of all filed documents is required and all parties with legal representation must file documents in accordance with the following:

- 1. The requirements for filing, viewing and retrieving case documents are: A personal computer running any standard Windows platform; an Internet provider, Netscape Navigator and Adobe Exchange software to convert documents from a word processor format to a portable document format (PDF). The URL address is www.nysb.uscourts.gov and a password is needed to access this system. If you are unable to comply with this requirement, then
- 2. You must submit documents on a diskette using PDF format. The adobe software will provide this format. Further instruction may be found in the Adobe's manual. Use a separate diskette for each filing. Submit the diskette in an envelope with the case name, case number, type and title of document, and the file name on the outside of the envelope. If you are unable to comply with this requirement, or requirement number 1, then
- 3. You must submit your documents on a diskette using one of the following formats: Word, Wordperfect, or DOS text (ASCII). If you are unable to comply with this requirement, or requirements 1 or 2, then
- 4. You must submit an affidavit of your inability to file in either of the above formats. You may then file conventionally on unstapled, unbound, single-sided paper. Include your affidavit with your filing.
- * DO NOT SUBMIT CLAIMS THROUGH THE COURT'S ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM AT THIS TIME.

For assistance call (212) 668-2870 ext. 3920 or to schedule training, call ext. 3580, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST.

Dated: May 23, 2002

Kathleen Farrell, Clerk of Court