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**Re: Essential.com, Inc.  
Chapter 11 Case No. 01-15339-WCH**

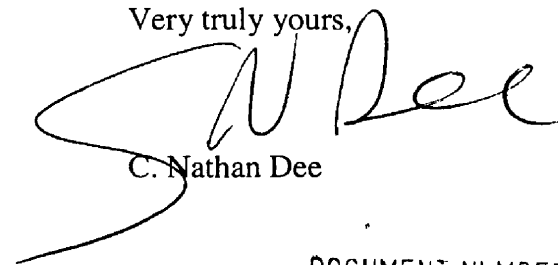
Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced case please find the following documents:

- Motion For Authority To Pay Fees And Expenses Of Auctioneer; and,
- Certificate of Service.

Kindly file these documents and return a time-stamped copy to the awaiting messenger. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



C. Nathan Dee

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DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

In re:	)	
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ESSENTIAL.COM, INC.	)	Chapter 11
	)	Case No. 01-15339-WCH
Debtor.	)	
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**MOTION FOR AUTHORITY TO PAY FEES AND  
EXPENSES OF AUCTIONEER**

Now comes Essential.com, Inc., the Debtor in the within proceeding, by and through counsel, and respectfully requests that this court grant the debtor authority to pay the fees and expenses incurred by its auctioneer in the above case. In support thereof, the debtor states as follows:

1. This case was commenced by the filing of a chapter 11 petition on our about June 29, 2001.
2. On August 8, 2001, the Debtor filed an application to employ Paul Saperstein Co. as auctioneer to conduct a public auction. On August 16, 2001, the application was allowed by the court.
3. On August 8, 2001, the Debtor also filed a motion with this court for authority to conduct a sale by public auction of all of its assets. The motion was approved by the court on September 5, 2001, and an auction was conducted on Thursday, September 6, 2001.

4. The gross sales generated from the auction totaled \$142,032.50. Total fees and expenses incurred by the auctioneer were \$34,754.73. Contemporaneously with the filing of this motion, the auctioneer has submitted its application for fee and affidavit. The Debtor submits that there is no just cause to delay the payment of the fees and expenses sought herein, as the Debtor anticipates sufficient funds in the case to pay all administrative expenses in full.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor prays that this court:

1. Authorize the debtor to pay the fees and expenses of its auctioneer Paul E. Saperstein Co., Inc.; and
2. Grant such other relief as this court deems just and proper.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, C. Nathan Dee, hereby certify that on September 27, 2001, I served a copy of the *Motion For Authority To Pay Fees and Expenses of Auctioneer* via first class mail, postage prepaid, to the parties listed on the attached list.



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