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

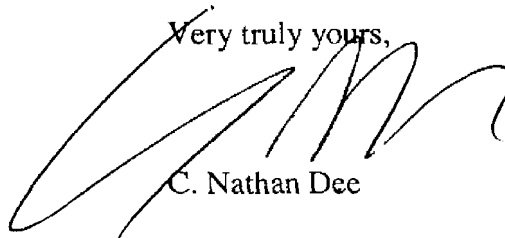
Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing please find the following documents:

1. Assented To Motion Requesting Order Fixing Bar Date and Approving Form of Notice; and
2. Certificates 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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5. On August 9, 2001, after notice and a hearing, this Court approved the sale of the Debtor's Customer Base to USA Telecom, Inc.

6. On August 8, 2001, the Debtor filed additional pleadings with this Court seeking authority to hold a public auction of the Debtor's remaining assets to finish the process of liquidating its assets in an orderly fashion.

II. Relief Requested

7. As grounds for this Motion, the Debtor must identify the nature and extent of all claims asserted against the estate in conjunction with drafting and filing a plan of reorganization. Pursuant to this Motion, the Debtor therefore requests the entry of an Order: (1) fixing a bar date for filing proofs of claim for pre-petition claims and for certain administrative expenses pursuant to Sections 503(b) and 507(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and (2) approving the Notice of the bar date.

8. The Debtor believes that a bar date should be fixed in this case for pre-petition claims and administrative expenses outstanding as of the date this Court enters the order (the "Court Order Date"), except that any person or entity whose claim is based upon professional services rendered, pursuant to an order of this Court authorizing such retention, should not be required to file such a claim by the bar date. Rather, such claims can be addressed in the context of confirmation of a plan.

9. Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3003(c)(3), this Court has authority to fix a bar date for pre-petition claims. Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code supplements such authority, and permits the Court to fix a bar date for administrative expenses where necessary to allow the Debtor to comply with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

10. In light of the foregoing, the Debtor requests that October 12, 2001 (the "Bar Date"), be fixed as a bar date in this case for: any and all pre-petition claims, tax and other priority claims and certain administrative expenses arising prior to the Court Order Date, excluding any administrative claims arising from professional services rendered to the estate in connection with this bankruptcy case.

11. The Debtor also proposes that the Notice be sent by first class mail, postage prepaid to: (i) those parties having filed a notice of appearance; and (ii) all creditors scheduled by the Debtor.

12. The Debtor has requested October 12, 2001 as the Bar Date in order to enable the Debtor to give creditors and interested parties ample notice of the Bar Date. Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(a)(8), the Debtor must give twenty (20) days notice of the Bar Date to creditors. The Debtor proposes to mail the Order and the proposed Notice to all parties-in-interest as soon as this Motion is approved and by no later than September 7, 2001. Such notice will satisfy the requirements set forth in Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(a)(8). Accordingly, the Debtor also requests that this Court approve the attached Notice as sufficient notice to creditors of the Bar Date.

13. No previous requests for the relief sought herein have been made to this or any other court.

14. The Debtor has filed a schedule of its liabilities. Thus, in accordance with Section 1111 of the Bankruptcy Code, creditors whose claims are not scheduled as disputed, unliquidated or contingent may, if they choose, rely on amounts scheduled by the Debtor.

15. The Committee has assented to this motion.

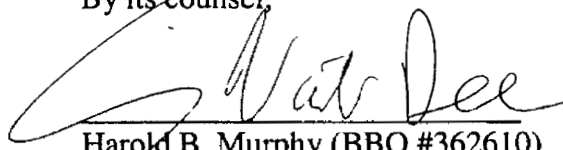
WHEREFORE, Essential.com, Inc., respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order:

- (i) Fixing October 12, 2001 as the Bar Date for filing proofs of claim for pre-petition claims and certain administrative expenses arising prior to the Court Order Date,
- (ii) Approving the form of Notice attached as Exhibit A; and
- (iii) Granting such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully Submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS
EASTERN DIVISION

)	
In re:)	
)	
ESSENTIAL.COM, INC.)	Chapter 11
)	Case No. 01-15339-WCH
Debtor.)	
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**NOTICE OF BAR DATE FOR PREPETITION CLAIMS AND
CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

TO: ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES ASSERTING CLAIMS INCURRED PRIOR TO JUNE 29, 2001, OR UNPAID ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES THAT WERE INCURRED PRIOR TO AUGUST ___, 2001 AGAINST THE DEBTOR:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts has entered an order fixing _____, **2001** (the "Bar Date") as the last date by which all entities, including all individuals, partnerships, corporations, estates, trusts and governmental units, may assert claims against the Debtor which arose prior to **June 29, 2001**, except that (i) any entity whose claim is listed in the Debtor's schedules as undisputed, noncontingent and liquidated, may, but need not, file a proof of claim, and (ii) any entity who has already filed a proof of claim need not file again.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all holders of unpaid administrative expenses, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §503(b) and 507(a)(1), that were incurred after June 29, 2001 but prior to _____, **2001** file claims or requests for payment of such administrative expenses on or before the Bar Date, except that any person or entity whose claim is based upon professional services rendered, pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court authorizing such retention, need not file such a claim or request on or before the Bar Date.

Each proof of claim shall be filed substantially in conformity with Official Bankruptcy Form number 10. Any entity that is required to file a proof of claim, or a claim or request for payment of administrative expenses on or before the Bar Date and fails to file such proof of claim or claim or request for payment of administrative expenses, shall not, with respect to any such claim, be treated as a creditor of the Debtor's estate for purposes of voting and distribution under any plan of liquidation or otherwise, and shall be forever barred from voting and asserting such claim against the Debtor. For convenience, a proof of claim form is enclosed.

Copies of the Debtor's schedules of liabilities are on file with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court and may be inspected during normal business hours.

**File claims with: Clerk, United States Bankruptcy Court, Thomas P. O'Neill
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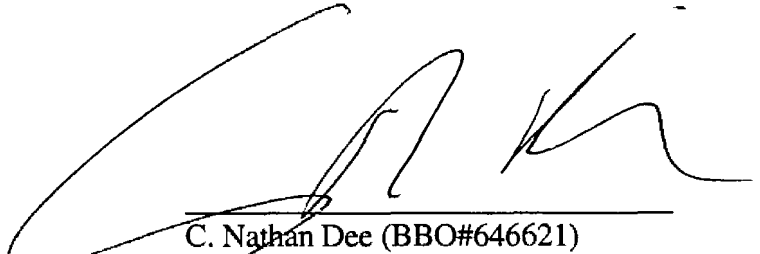
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, C. Nathan Dee, hereby certify that on August 15, 2001, I caused to be served a copy of the *Assented To Motion Requesting Order Fixing Bar Date and Approving Form of Notice* by first class mail, postage prepaid mail, unless otherwise indicated, to the parties listed on the attached list.



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