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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS EASTERN DIVISION

| In re: |) | |
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| ESSENTIAL.COM, INC., |) | Chapter 11 |
| |) | Case No. 01-15339-WCH |
| Debtor. | Ó | |
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DEBTOR'S STATEMENT WITH RESPECT TO MOTIONS FOR PAYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS

To the Honorable William C. Hillman, Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge:

Essential.com, Inc., the debtor and debtor-in-possession (the "Debtor") in the abovecaptioned case, hereby files this statement with respect to the Motions for Payment of Chapter 11 Administrative Claims by John Duffy and Chris Kallaher (the "Administrative Claims") filed on October 15, 2001.

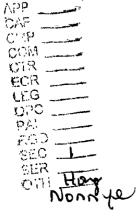
The Debtor and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") (collectively, the Parties") are in the process of finalizing a disclosure statement and joint liquidating plan of reorganization (the "Plan"). Pursuant to the Plan, the responsibility for objections to any claims and the prosecution thereof, and the distribution of funds to creditors, shall be the responsibility of a plan trustee who shall be selected by the Committee and who will serve under the continuing supervision of the Committee after the effective date of the Plan. Accordingly, in the interests of preserving resources of the estate, the Parties have determined that any objections to the Administrative Claims shall be the responsibility of the Committee.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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