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NOTICE OF DISCLOSURE STATEMENT HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the hearing on the Debtors' Disclosure Statement for Joint Plan of Reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code filed in this case at docket no. 64 (the "Disclosure Statement") will be held on March 27, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time in Courtroom 2B, 2nd Floor, 844 N. King Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES FOR FILING OBJECTIONS TO THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

March 25, 2003 at 12:00 noon, Eastern Time, is the last date and time for filing and serving objections to the approval of the Disclosure Statement (the "Objection Deadline").

2. In order to be considered by the Court, objections, if any, to the Disclosure
Statement must be in writing and must be both (a) filed so as to be actually received by the
Objection Deadline by the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of
Delaware, 824 Market Street, 5 th Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, and (b) served on the
=following, so as to be actually <u>RECEIVED</u> prior to the Objection Deadline: (i) Counsel to the
Debtors: Pachulski, Stang, Ziehl, Young, Jones & Weintraub P.C., 919 Market Street, 16 th
Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, Attn: Laura Davis Jones, Esquire; (ii) Counsel to the

The Debtors are the following entities: Focal Communications Corporation, Focal Communications Corporation of California. Focal Communications Corporation of Colorado. Focal Communications Corporation of Connecticutive Focal Communications Corporation of Florida, Focal Communications Corporation of Georgia, Focal OTH New Communications Corporation of Illinois, Focal Communications Corporation of Massachusetts, Focal Communications Corporation of Michigan. Focal Communications Corporation of the Mid-Atlantic Focal Communications Corporation of Minnesota, Focal Communications Corporation of Missouri, Focal Communications Communications Corporation of New England. Focal Communications Corporation of New Jersey Focal Communications Corporation of New York, Focal Communications Corporation of Ohio, Focal Communications Corporation of Pennsylvania. Focal Communications Corporation of Texas, Focal Communications Corporation 600 Virginia. Focal Communications Corporation of Washington, Focal Communications Corporation of Wisconsin, Focal Financial Services, Inc., Focal International Corp., Focal Telecommunications Corporation, Focal Equipment Finance, LLC and Focal Fiber Leasing, LLC

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- 3. The Court will consider only written objections filed and served by the Objection Deadline. All objections must state with particularity the grounds for such objection. Objections not timely filed and served in accordance with the provisions of this Notice may not be heard by the Court and may be overruled.
- 4. Persons wishing to obtain copies of the Disclosure Statement and the Debtors' Joint Plan of Reorganization Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code may request copies of the same in writing from Donlin, Recano & Co., Attn: Fulfillment Area, 419 Park Avenue South, Suite 1206, New York, NY 10016.

Dated: February 25, 2003

PACHULSKI, STANG, ZIEHL, YOUNG, JONES & WEINTRAUB P.C.

/s/ Bruce Grohsgal

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