

<b>UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS</b>	
Name of Debtor: LB Steel, LLC	Case No. 15-35358 (JSB)



**Your Claim is Scheduled As Follows:**

# Proof of Claim

## Official Form 410\*

If an amount is identified above, you have a claim scheduled by one of the Debtors as shown. (This scheduled amount of your claim may be an amendment to a previously scheduled amount.) If you agree with the amount and priority of your claim as scheduled by the Debtor and you have no other claim against the Debtor, you do not need to file this proof of claim form, EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS: If the amount shown is listed as any of DISPUTED, UNLIQUIDATED, or CONTINGENT, a proof of claim MUST be filed in order to receive any distribution in respect of your claim. If you have already filed a proof of claim in accordance with the attached instructions, you need not file again.

**Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.**

**Filers must leave out or redact** information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. **Do not send original documents;** they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

**This chapter 11 case was commenced in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, on October 18, 2015 (the "Petition Date.") Fill in all the information for the claim as of the Petition Date.**

### Part 1: Identify the Claim

1. Who is the current creditor?	_____ Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim)	
	Other names the creditor used with the debtor _____	
2. Has this claim been acquired from someone else?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. From whom? _____	
3. Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent?	<b>Where should notices to the creditor be sent?</b>	<b>Where should payments to the creditor be sent? (if different)</b>
	Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)	
	Name _____	Name _____
	Number _____ Street _____	Number _____ Street _____
	City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____	City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
	Contact phone _____	Contact phone _____
	Contact email _____	Contact email _____
4. Does this claim amend one already filed?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Claim number on court claims registry (if known) _____ Filed on _____ MM/DD/YYYY	
5. Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Who made the earlier filing? _____	



## Part 2: Give Information About the Claim as of the Date the Case Was Filed

6.	<b>Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor: ____ ____ ____ ____
7.	<b>How much is the claim?</b>	\$ _____	<b>Does this amount include interest or other charges?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Attach statement itemizing interest, fees, expenses, or other charges required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).
8.	<b>What is the basis of the claim?</b>	Examples: Goods sold, money loaned, lease, services performed, personal injury or wrongful death, or credit card. Attach redacted copies of any documents supporting the claim required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c). Limit disclosing information that is entitled to privacy, such as health care information.	
9.	<b>Is all or part of the claim secured?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property.	<b>Nature of property:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Real estate. If the claim is secured by the debtor's principal residence, file a <i>Mortgage Proof of Claim Attachment</i> (Official Form 410-A) with this <i>Proof of Claim</i> . <input type="checkbox"/> Motor vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Describe: _____
			<b>Basis for perfection:</b> _____ Attach redacted copies of documents, if any, that show evidence of perfection of a security interest (for example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document that shows the lien has been filed or recorded.)
			<b>Value of property:</b> \$ _____ <b>Amount of the claim that is secured:</b> \$ _____ <b>Amount of the claim that is unsecured:</b> \$ _____ (The sum of the secured and unsecured amounts should match the amount in line 7.)
			<b>Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition:</b> \$ _____ <b>Annual Interest Rate</b> (when case was filed) _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed <input type="checkbox"/> Variable
10.	<b>Is this claim based on a lease?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <b>Amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition.</b> \$ _____	
11.	<b>Is this claim subject to a right of setoff?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Identify the property: _____	
12.	<b>Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. <i>Check all that apply:</i>	<b>Amount entitled to priority</b>
	A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example, in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B).	\$ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Up to \$2,775* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).	\$ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$12,475*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4).	\$ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8).	\$ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5).	\$ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify subsection of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(____) that applies.	\$ _____

\* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/16 and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the date of adjustment.



### Part 3: Sign Below

**The person completing this proof of claim must sign and date it. FRBP 9011(b).**

If you file this claim electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what a signature is.

**A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.**

Check the appropriate box:

- I am the creditor.
- I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.
- I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.
- I am a guarantor, surety, endorser, or other codebtor. Bankruptcy Rule 3005.

I understand that an authorized signature on this Proof of Claim serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.

I have examined the information in this Proof of Claim and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on date \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Middle name Last name

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_  
Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street

City State ZIP Code

Contact phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

The Proof of Claim Form must be submitted either: (a) electronically to the Bankruptcy Court; or (b) through submission of the original form via regular mail, hand delivery or overnight courier to the claims agent appointed by the Bankruptcy Court, Garden City Group, LLC ("GCG").

IF SUBMITTING A HARD COPY OF A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM, PLEASE SEND YOUR ORIGINAL, COMPLETED CLAIM FORM AS FOLLOWS: **IF BY MAIL:** LB STEEL, LLC, C/O GCG, P.O. BOX 10258, DUBLIN, OH 43017-5758. **IF BY HAND OR OVERNIGHT COURIER:** LB STEEL, LLC, C/O GCG, 5151 BLAZER PARKWAY, SUITE A, DUBLIN, OH 43017. ANY PROOF OF CLAIM SUBMITTED BY FACSIMILE OR EMAIL WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

THE GENERAL BAR DATE IN THESE CHAPTER 11 CASES IS **FEBRUARY 1, 2016** AT 4:00 P.M. (PREVAILING CENTRAL TIME)  
THE GOVERNMENT BAR DATE IS **FEBRUARY 16, 2016** AT 4:00 P.M. (PREVAILING CENTRAL TIME)

# Instructions for Proof of Claim

United States Bankruptcy Court

The instructions and definitions below are general explanations of the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases not filed voluntarily by the Debtor, exceptions to these general rules may apply. The attorneys for the Debtors and their court-appointed claims agent, Garden City Group, LLC ("GCG"), are not authorized and are not providing you with any legal advice.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both.  
18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157 and 3571.

## How to fill out this form

- **Fill in all the information for the claim as of the Petition Date.**
- **If the claim has been acquired from someone else, then state the identity of the last party** who owned the claim or was the holder of the claim and who transferred it to you before the initial claim was filed.
- **Attach any supporting documents to this form.**  
Attach redacted copies of any documents that show that the debt exists, a lien secures the debt, or both. (See the definition of *Redaction* of information in the section below.)  
Also attach redacted copies of any documents that show perfection of any security interest or any assignments or transfers of the debt. In addition to the documents, a summary may be added. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (called "Bankruptcy Rule") 3001(c) and (d).
- **Do not attach original documents because attachments may be destroyed after scanning.**
- **If the claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, do not disclose confidential health care information. Leave out or redact confidential information both in the claim and in the attached documents.**
- **A Proof of Claim form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, individual's tax identification number, or financial account number, and only the year of any person's date of birth.** See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.
- **For a minor child, fill in only the child's initials and the full name and address of the child's parent or guardian.** For example, write *A.B., a minor child (John Doe, parent, 123 Main St., City, State)*. See Bankruptcy Rule 9037.

## Confirmation that the claim has been filed

To receive confirmation that the claim has been filed, enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this form. You will also receive an acknowledgment letter from GCG after your proof of claim form has been processed. You will also be able to view the details of your claim and the first page of your *Proof of Claim* form on the claims register hosted on the case administration website, [www.gardencitygroup.com/cases/lbt](http://www.gardencitygroup.com/cases/lbt).

## Understand the terms used in this form

**Administrative expense:** Generally, an expense that arises after a bankruptcy case is filed in connection with operating, liquidating, or distributing the bankruptcy estate. 11 U.S.C. § 503.

**Claim:** A creditor's right to receive payment for a debt that the debtor owed on the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (5). A claim may be secured or unsecured.

**Creditor:** A person, corporation, or other entity to whom a debtor owes a debt that was incurred on or before the date the debtor filed for bankruptcy. 11 U.S.C. §101 (10).

**Debtor:** A person, corporation, or other entity who is in bankruptcy. Use the debtor's name and case number as shown in the bankruptcy notice you received. 11 U.S.C. § 101 (13).

**Evidence of perfection:** Evidence of perfection of a security interest may include documents showing that a security interest has been filed or recorded, such as a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, or financing statement.

**Information that is entitled to privacy:** A *Proof of Claim* form and any attached documents must show only the last 4 digits of any social security number, an individual's tax identification number, or a financial account number, only the initials of a minor's name, and only the year of any person's date of birth. If a claim is based on delivering health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services to avoid embarrassment or disclosure of confidential health care information. You may later be required to give more information if the trustee or someone else in interest objects to the claim.

**Priority claim:** A claim within a category of unsecured claims that is entitled to priority under 11 U.S.C. §507(a). These claims are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims are paid. Common priority unsecured claims include alimony, child support, taxes, and certain unpaid wages.

**Proof of claim:** A form used by the creditor to indicate the amount of the debt owed by the Debtor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The creditor must file the form as described in the instructions above and in the Bar Date Notice.

**Redaction of information:** *Masking, editing out, or deleting certain information to protect privacy. Filers must redact or leave out information entitled to privacy on the Proof of Claim form and any attached documents.*

**Secured claim under 11 U.S.C. §506(a):** A claim backed by a lien on particular property of the debtor. A claim is secured to the extent that a creditor has the right to be paid from the property before other creditors are paid. The amount of a secured claim usually cannot be more than the value of the particular property on which the creditor has a lien. Any amount owed to a creditor that is more than the value of the property normally may be an unsecured claim. But exceptions exist; for example, see 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b) and the final sentence of 1325(a).

Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate or a security interest in a car. A lien may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In some states, a court judgment may be a lien.

**Setoff:** Occurs when a creditor pays itself with money belonging to the debtor that it is holding, or by canceling a debt it owes to the debtor.

**Uniform claim identifier:** An optional 24-character identifier that some creditors use to facilitate electronic payment.

**Unsecured claim:** A claim that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be unsecured in part to the extent that the amount of the claim is more than the value of the property on which a creditor has a lien.

**Display of Proof of Claim on Case Administration Website:** As the official claims agent, and in accordance with Federal Bankruptcy Rule 9037(g), GCG will display the first page of your proof of claim form on the case administration website. Please be aware that any personal information not otherwise redacted on your proof of claim form will be displayed over the Internet.

## Offers to purchase a claim

Certain entities purchase claims for an amount that is less than the face value of the claims. These entities may contact creditors offering to purchase their claims. Some written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court, the bankruptcy trustee, or the debtor. A creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if a creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of that claim is subject to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e), any provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.) that apply, and any orders of the bankruptcy court that apply.

**Do not file these instructions with your form.**