

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

MARELLI AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING USA LLC,
et al.,¹

Debtors.

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) Chapter 11
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) Case No. 25-11034 (____)
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) (Joint Administration Requested)
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**MOTION OF DEBTORS SEEKING ENTRY OF AN
ORDER (I) EXTENDING TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES OF
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, SCHEDULES OF CURRENT INCOME
AND EXPENDITURES, SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS
AND UNEXPIRED LEASES, STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS,
AND RULE 2015.3 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) state as follows in support of this motion:²

Relief Requested

1. The Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the “Order”): (a) extending the deadline by which the Debtors must file their (i) schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of current income and expenditures, schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs (collectively, the “Schedules and Statements”) by thirty-two days in addition to the twenty-eight-day extension

¹ A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors’ claims and noticing agent at <https://www.veritaglobal.net/Marelli>. The location of Marelli Automotive Lighting USA LLC’s principal place of business and the Debtors’ service address in these chapter 11 cases is 26555 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Michigan 48033.

² A detailed description of the Debtors and their business, including the circumstances giving rise to the Debtors’ chapter 11 cases, is set forth in the *Declaration of David Slump, Chief Executive Officer of Marelli Automotive Lighting USA, LLC, in Support of First Day Motions*, filed contemporaneously herewith (the “First Day Declaration”). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this motion shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the First Day Declaration. In support of this motion, the Debtors submit the *Declaration of Tony Simion, Managing Director of Alvarez & Marsal North America, LLC, in Support of First Day Motions*, filed contemporaneously herewith.



provided by Local Rule 1007-1(a), for a total of sixty days from the Petition Date (as defined herein), to and including August 11, 2025, without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions for cause shown and (ii) initial reports of financial information with respect to entities in which the Debtors hold a controlling or substantial interest as set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 (the "2015.3 Reports"), or to file a motion with the Court seeking modification of such reporting requirements for cause, to the later of (x) thirty days after the meeting of creditors to be held pursuant to section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "341 Meeting") or (y) seventy-five days from the Petition Date, without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions for cause shown, and (b) granting related relief.

Jurisdiction and Venue

2. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2), and the Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to rule 9013-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

4. The statutory bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a) and 521 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), rules 1007(c),

2015.3, and 9006(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), and Local Rule 1007-1(a).

Background

5. The Debtors, together with their non-Debtor affiliates (collectively, “Marelli” or the “Company”) are one of the largest international automotive parts suppliers in the world and a pioneer in motorsports and in automobile manufacturing and design. With its headquarters in Saitama, Japan and over 46,000 employees located in twenty-four countries around the world, Marelli designs and produces sophisticated technologies for leading automotive manufacturers, including lighting and sensor integrations, electronic systems, software solutions, and interior design products, and collaborates with motor sports teams and other industry leaders to research and develop cutting-edge, high-performance automotive components.

6. On June 11, 2025 (the “Petition Date”), each Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. Concurrent with the filing of this motion, the Debtors filed a motion requesting procedural consolidation and joint administration of these chapter 11 cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in these chapter 11 cases, and no official committees have been appointed or designated.

Basis for Relief

I. Cause Exists to Extend the Time to File the Schedules and Statements.

7. The requirements of section 521 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 1007(c) normally require debtors to file their schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of current income and expenditures, schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs within fourteen days after their petition date. Local

Rule 1007-1(a), however, extends the filing deadline for such schedules and statements to twenty-eight days after the Petition Date if the bankruptcy petition is accompanied by a list of all of the debtor's creditors and their addresses, pursuant to Local Rule 1007-2, and if the total number of creditors in a debtor's case or, in the case of jointly administered cases, the debtors' cases, exceeds 200. The Debtors have filed a list of creditors according to with Local Rule 1007-2 that reflects that the total number of their creditors exceeds 200.³

8. The Court has the authority to grant the requested extension under Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b) and Local Rule 1007-1(a). Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b) allow the Court to extend the filing deadline for the Schedules and Statements "for cause shown." Similarly, Local Rule 1007-1(a) provides that such an extension may be granted for cause. Showing "cause" merely requires that a debtor "demonstrate some justification for the issuance of the order," and bankruptcy courts will normally grant such extensions "in the absence of bad faith or prejudice to the adverse party." *See, e.g., Bryant v. Smith*, 165 B.R. 176, 182 (W.D. Va. 1994) (discussing the standard for granting extensions under Bankruptcy Rule 1007).

9. Good and sufficient cause exists for granting an extension of time to file the Schedules and Statements. The ordinary operation of the Debtors' business requires the Debtors to maintain voluminous books, records, and complex accounting systems. To prepare the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors must compile information from those books and records and from documents relating to the claims of their thousands of creditors aggregated among all the Debtor entities, as well as the Debtors' many assets, contracts, and leases. This information is extensive and located in numerous places throughout the Debtors' organization. Collecting the necessary information requires an enormous expenditure of time and effort on the part of the

³ *See Chapter 11 Voluntary Petition* [Docket No. 1].

Debtors, their employees, and their professional advisors in the near term when these resources would be best used to stabilize the Debtors' business operations.

10. The Debtors, with the assistance of their professional advisors, are mobilizing their employees to work diligently and expeditiously on preparing the Schedules and Statements, but resources are strained. Given the amount of work required to complete the Schedules and Statements and the competing demands on the Debtors' employees and professionals to assist with stabilizing business operations during the initial postpetition period, and the critical matters that the Debtors' management and professionals were required to address prior to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, the Debtors likely will not be able to properly and accurately complete the Schedules and Statements within the required time period.

11. In the days leading up to the Petition Date, the Debtors' primary focus has been pursuing all value-maximizing options for the Debtors, preparing for the chapter 11 filing as expeditiously and efficiently as possible, including preparing their business to transition into chapter 11, and negotiating with their creditor constituencies to ensure a soft landing in chapter 11. The Debtors have focused the attention of key personnel on compliance with chapter 11 obligations during the early days of these chapter 11 cases. Such efforts will maximize the value of the Debtors' estates for the benefit of all stakeholders. Accordingly, although the Debtors have commenced the process to prepare and finalize what will be voluminous Schedules and Statements and are working diligently to move the process forward, the Debtors anticipate that they will require additional time to complete the Schedules and Statements due to their sophisticated and multijurisdictional business. In light of the substantial burdens already imposed on the Debtors' management by the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, the competing demands upon the Debtors' employees to collect information, and the time and attention the Debtors must devote to

the chapter 11 process, cause exists to extend the current deadline by thirty-two days for a total of sixty days after the Petition Date. The requested extension will enhance the accuracy of the Schedules and Statements when filed and help avoid the potential necessity of substantial subsequent amendments. Moreover, an extension will not harm creditors or other parties in interest because, even under the extended deadline, the Debtors will file the Schedules and Statements in advance of any deadline for filing proofs of claim in these chapter 11 cases. The Debtors request such an extension without prejudice to their rights to seek further extensions or waivers from the Court for cause shown.

12. Courts in this district have granted similar relief to that requested herein in a number of cases. *See, e.g., In re Liberated Brands LLC*, No. 25-10168 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Feb. 27, 2025) (granting debtors a total of thirty-seven days from the petition date to file schedules and statements); *In re Accuride Corp.*, No. 24-12289 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 19, 2024) (granting debtors a total of fifty-eight days from the petition date to file schedules and statements); *In re Am. Tire Distribs.*, No. 24-12391 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 18, 2024) (granting debtors a total of forty-seven days from the petition date to file schedules and statements); *In re Tupperware Brands Corp.*, No. 24-12156 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 17, 2024) (granting debtors a total of forty-nine days from the petition date to file schedules and statements); *In re SunPower Corp.*, No. 24-11649 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 28, 2024) (granting debtors a total of forty-six days from the petition date to file schedules and statements).

II. Cause Exists to Extend the Time to File the 2015.3 Reports.

13. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3, a chapter 11 debtor must file, no later than seven days before the date set for the 341 Meeting, and no less than every six months thereafter, periodic financial reports of the value, operations, and profitability of each entity that is not a publicly traded corporation or a debtor in the chapter 11 cases, and in which the estate holds a

substantial or controlling interest. See Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2015.3(a)–(c). Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides the Court with authority to extend the period of time to file the 2015.3 Reports “for cause.” Additionally, Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3(d) provides the Court with the ability, after notice and a hearing, to modify the reporting requirements for cause, including that a debtor is “not able, after a good-faith effort, to comply with [those reporting requirements], or that the information . . . is publicly available.” Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2015.3(d).

14. Certain of the Debtors maintain interests in non-Debtor affiliates that are subject to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 and, as such, are required to file 2015.3 Reports. The Debtors are not in a position to complete the initial 2015.3 Reports within the time required under Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 due to (a) the size and complexity of the Debtors’ businesses, (b) the substantial burdens imposed by complying with Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 in the early days of these chapter 11 cases, and (c) the same considerations supporting an extension of the date by which to file the Schedules and Statements. Cause accordingly exists to extend the deadline for filing the 2015.3 Reports as requested herein.

15. Extending the deadline to file the initial 2015.3 Reports will enable the Debtors to work with their advisors and the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the “U.S. Trustee”) to determine the appropriate nature and scope of the reports and any proposed modifications to the reporting requirements established by Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court grant an extension of the time by which the Debtors must file their initial 2015.3 Reports to the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 Meeting, or (b) seventy-five days from the Petition Date pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3(d).

16. The relief requested will not harm creditors or other parties in interest. The Debtors intend to work cooperatively with the U.S. Trustee and any other necessary parties in these chapter

11 cases to provide access to relevant information regarding the business and financial affairs of the Debtors and the non-Debtor affiliates as expeditiously as possible and in advance of any deadline for filing proofs of claim in these chapter 11 cases. The Debtors request such an extension without prejudice to their rights to seek further extensions or waivers from the Court for cause shown.

17. Courts in this district have found “cause” to extend the deadline for filing 2015.3 Reports in a number of cases. *See, e.g., In re Liberated Brands LLC*, No. 25-10168 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Feb. 27, 2025) (granting the debtors an extension to file 2015.3 reports at the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 meeting or (b) forty-four days from the petition date); *In re Accuride Corp.*, No. 24-12289 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 19, 2024) (granting debtors sixty days from the petition date to file 2015.3 reports); *In re Am. Tire Distribs.*, No. 24-12391 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Nov. 18, 2024) (granting the debtors an extension to file 2015.3 reports at the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 meeting or (b) forty-seven days from the petition date); *In re Tupperware Brands Corp.*, No. 24-12156 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 17, 2024) (granting the debtors an extension to file 2015.3 reports at the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 meeting or (b) seventy-five days from the petition date); *In re SunPower Corp.*, No. 24-11649 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 28, 2024) (granting the debtors an extension to file 2015.3 reports at the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 meeting or (b) forty-four days from the petition date).

Notice

18. The Debtors will provide notice of this motion to: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) the holders of the 30 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis); (c) the office of the attorney general for each of the states in which the Debtors operate; (d) United States Attorney’s Office for the District of Delaware; (e) the Internal Revenue Service; (f) the United States Securities and Exchange Commission; (g) the United States

Department of Justice; (h) Mayer Brown LLP, as counsel to the DIP Agent; (i) Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, as counsel to Mizuho Bank, Ltd., in all capacities other than as Prepetition Agent; (j) Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, as counsel to Mizuho Bank, Ltd., in its capacity as Prepetition Agent; (k) Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP and Cole Schotz P.C., as counsel to the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders; (l) Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, as counsel to the Sponsors; and (m) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 (the “Notice Parties”). In light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

No Prior Request

19. No prior request for the relief sought in this motion has been made to this or any other court.

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WHEREFORE, the Debtors request entry of the Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, (a) granting the relief requested herein and (b) granting such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: June 11, 2025
Wilmington, Delaware

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Exhibit A

Proposed Order

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:)	
)	Chapter 11
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MARELLI AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING USA LLC,)	Case No. 25-11034 (____)
<i>et al.</i> , ¹)	
Debtors.)	(Joint Administration Requested)
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)	Re: Docket No. ____

**ORDER (I) EXTENDING TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES OF
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, SCHEDULES OF CURRENT INCOME
AND EXPENDITURES, SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS
AND UNEXPIRED LEASES, STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS,
AND RULE 2015.3 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

Upon the motion (the “Motion”)² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”) for entry of an order (this “Order”) (a) authorizing the Debtors to extend (i) the time period to file the Schedules and Statements by thirty-two days, for a total of sixty days from the Petition Date to and including August 11, 2025, without prejudice to the Debtors’ ability to request additional extensions for cause shown and (ii) the time period to file their 2015.3 Reports and (b) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and

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this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.
2. The time by which the Debtors shall file the Schedules and Statements is extended by an additional thirty-two days beyond the twenty-eight-day extension provided for pursuant to Local Rule 1007-l(a) to and including August 11, 2025. Such extension is without prejudice to the Debtors' right to request a further extension.
3. The time within which the Debtors must file the 2015.3 Reports or to file a motion with the Court seeking a modification of such reporting requirements for cause is extended to the later of (a) thirty days after the 341 Meeting or (b) seventy-five days from the Petition Date, to and including August 25, 2025. Such extension is without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions.
4. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

5. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion, and the requirements of the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

6. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.

7. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.