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FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

	)	Chapter 11
In Re:	)	
	)	Case No. 11-01-10779-SA
FURR'S SUPERMARKETS, INC	)	
	)	No Hearing Date
Debtor.	)	

CREDITOR JOSEPH GALLO FARMS' OBJECTION TO APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT OF DELOITTE CONSULTING L.P. AND DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS FINANCIAL ADVISORS AND REORGANIZATION CONSULTANTS

Joseph Gallo Farms a Creditor, hereby objects to the application for employment of Deloitte Consulting L.P. and Deloitte & Touche LLP, and as reasons therefore states the following:

1. On March 14, 2001, the Chairperson of the Official Unsecured Creditors Committee filed an Application with this Court to retain and employee Deloitte Consulting L.P. and Deloitte & Touche LLP (collectively "Deloitte & Touche") to serve as financial advisors and reorganization consultants.

2. Deloitte & Touche must be barred from acting as the unsecured creditors' financial advisors and reorganization consultants because of a substantial and clear conflict of interest.

3. Deloitte & Touche are the independent auditors for Metlife, Inc., as evidenced by Metlife Inc's 10K annual report filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission on March 14, 2001. A copy of Deloitte's Audit opinion on Metlife is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

4. Metropolitan Life is both a secured creditor and a shareholder of Furr's

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Supermarkets. the debtor in this bankruptcy. Metropolitan Life is the 67th largest company in the world. the second largest U.S. life insurance company and has assets of $255 billion as of December 31, 2000. In light of the fact that they are a client of Deloitte & Touche (presumably a very large client). it stretches the imagination to believe that they would ever do anything against the interest of Metlife.

5. In its application on page four. paragraph 10(k). Deloitte & Touche is expected to "assist the committee where appropriate in reviewing the books and records of the debtor for related party transactions and unenforceable claims."

6. By the very nature of these proceedings Deloitte & Touche, may be required to take a position that would be adversarial to the interest of Metlife. If they were not able to advocate such an adversarial position because of their relationship with Metlife. they would not be serving the best interest of the unsecured creditors. On the other hand, if they took a position that was beneficial to the unsecured creditors to the detriment of Metlife that would be breaching their fiduciary duties and professional duties to Metropolitan Life, their client.

7. U.S. Code Title 11 §§ 1103(b) states "An Attorney or Accountant employed to represent a committee appointed under §§ 1102 of this title may not while employed by such committee represent any other entity having an adverse interest in connection with the case."

8 Deloitte & Touche's representation of the unsecured creditors in this bankruptcy is a clear violation of §§ 1103(b). their fiduciary duty to Metlife. and professional ethical standards.

9. Furthermore, in the application in page 11. paragraph 18 the reference is

made that Deloitte was retained as of February 21, 2001. This would be a full 22 days before the application was filed for their retention and employment. No funds from this bankruptcy should be expended for any time spent by Deloitte & Touche prior to the filing of this application.

10. There are other financial consulting firms, which are suitable and appropriate and do not have a major conflict with a secured creditor, and which would be able to represent the unsecured creditors in this matter.

CONCLUSION

Wherefore, Joseph Gallo Farms an unsecured creditor in this bankruptcy respectfully requests that the Court deny the application by the Chairperson of the Official Unsecured Creditors Committee retaining and employing Deloitte Consulting, and Deloitte & Touche as financial advisors and reorganization consultants, and further order that no funds should be expended towards Deloitte & Touche for any previous work done up to the date of such order.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors and Shareholders of
MetLife, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of MetLife, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2000. Our audits also included the financial statement schedules listed in the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements and Schedules. These financial statements and financial statement schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and financial statement schedules based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of MetLife, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the consolidated results of their operations and their consolidated cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2000, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedules, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

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