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Equity Committee needed to be an advocate for its Unit Holders

Honorable Stuart M. Bernstein
United States Bankruptcy Judge

It is with great trepidation and disappointment that I must admit that as a Unit holder of over 15,000 units there is a current need to have an Equity Committee to be a proactive advocate of my interests in the company as it defines its Bankruptcy issues. There is an apparent trend of the Company to dissolve the interest of the current Unit holders by 1) unnecessarily going into Bankruptcy and 2) misleading its Unit holders that the company was being managed correctly during this current phase of deflated oil prices.

I am aware of the risks in investing in a small up-stream oil producer, however I felt I was mitigating those risks by the management philosophy and structure that was being advertised by the Brietburn management staff and the information provided on their website: <http://www.breitburn.com/>.

To assist the solvency of the company during these difficult times with the depressed oil prices the Unit Holders support the decrease and the eventual termination of the Unit dividends. However, the surprise management decision to go into Bankruptcy was not supported when the need was not justified.

Although some of the small upstream oil producers have gone into bankruptcy due to the current depressed oil price situation like Lynn Energy, Brietburn was in a better economic position and did not need to go into Bankruptcy as analyzed by Daniel Jones in its Seeking Alpha article, see: <http://seekingalpha.com/article/3975229-breitburn-declares-bankruptcy>.

Consequently Brietburn's premature Bankruptcy declaration has caused significant economic damage to its Unit Holders by making its Units practically valueless. Moreover, the Bankruptcy is allowing Brietburn the option of restoring the Units value in the future or discontinuing them. Brietburn's web site now advertises that there is NO ASSURANCE that the current units will be transferred to the re-organized company.

Brietburn should not have this level of autocratic power over its Unit Holders who have provided the company significant capital.

Moreover Brietburn has misled its Unit Holders by painting a more survivable scenario in dealing with the current oil price decline as they have advertised on their web site and on and at public conferences, therefore its Bankruptcy declaration was a surprise.

Consequently, the Unit holders need a strong proactive advocate, an Equity Committee, to insure that the current course of Brietburns's damaging decisions and misleading prognosis can be corrected in order to mitigate the economic damages the Unit Holders have experienced.

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