

Marketing materials – collectible postcards.  
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**Firefall logo** – (card # 1)

*Historical Excerpt: The Firefall Event*

*“In the Fall of 2177, an asteroid unexpectedly entered Earth's orbit. Shattering in the lower exosphere, the debris field wiped out hundreds of satellites and space tethers. Its larger pieces struck the planet with ferocious energy. Monstrous tsunamis ensued, refacing the very surface of the Earth. This travesty became known as the ‘Firefall’, one of the darkest periods recorded by man.”*

**Melding banner** – (card # 2)

*Panorama of the Melding curtain*

*“It hung there oppressively on the horizon, like a dark volcanic plume suspended in air. We could feel its presence; it seemed to project a wave of assurance upon us. But we were wise to its siren's song, having seen firsthand what it had done to our unfortunate friends.”*

**Bag art from PAX 2010** – (card # 3)

*Chosen or Accord*

*“We had pledged to one another that'd we'd never be taken alive. ‘Accord or the sword!’ we would say. We weren't going to let ourselves be assimilated as we'd seen done to others. None of us claim to know why, but we've all known someone who has willingly strode into the darkness, intent on joining the them. We may never know. As for myself, I want nothing to do with evil incarnate.”*

**Arclight** – (card # 4)

*The Arclight: Mankind's first FTL starship*

*“The Arclight was larger than the CMS Aegis, Victoria, and Wei-Ling colony ships combined. The dual crystite-powered reactors fueling its enormous arc-folding engine required a vast amount of space. Its engine, the Schwarzschild 1, was rumored to have a higher energy output than the Sun during a five-second burst.”*

**Azyenberg Key Art** – (card # 5)

*Excerpt from: The Battle at Dry Ocean Rift*

*“She stood there next to the dry coral cliff, surrounded by razor sharp spires and the faint glow of amber encased creatures. Even though the battle raged around her, I could see she had found peace. We all felt it. The sense that our efforts were of supreme value, that humanity depended on us. The fear was gone from her eyes. Tears came to mine as I smiled.”*