United States District Court Southern District of Texas ENTERED

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

May 29 2020
David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court

In re:

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Authorization of Electronic Signatures

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General Order 2020-14

ORDER EXTENDING THE AUTHORIZATION OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

General Order 2020-8 concerning the Authorization of Electronic Signatures is extended through November 30, 2020. For convenience, General Order 2020-8, as extended, reads as follows:

Pending further Order, the Court's requirements that filing attorneys receive and maintain "wet signature" copies of documents are modified from March 19, 2020 through November 30, 2020. Signatures of debtors, attorneys, affiants and declarants may be either (i) received and maintained in "wet signature form" in accordance with prior practice; or (ii) electronically signed utilizing a commercially available electronic signing technology (such as DocuSign) that (a) maintains an audit trail that allows the filing attorney to obtain the identification of the signer's computer or device from the commercial provider; and (b) complies with the requirements of the United States ESIGN Act. The Court intends to review this procedure and determine adoption on a long-term basis.

Dated: May 29, 2020.

David R. Jones Chief Judge