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IN RE:

ASSIGNMENT OF CHAPTER 11
CASES,

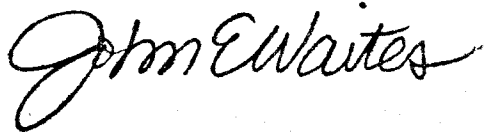
OPERATING ORDER

09-05

In order to assist in the balancing of the workload of the Judges of the Court, the electronic "Judge/Trustee Assignment" feature in CM/ECF shall not be used in the filing of any chapter 11 case, or group of related chapter 11 cases to be assigned to the same judge, in which scheduled assets total \$20 million or more. If the proposed case(s) falls below this threshold and the filing party believes that the case(s) will require significantly more court time than is customary in the early stages of a chapter 11 case, the party may choose not to run this feature. In such cases, the filing party, in lieu of the "Judge/Trustee Assignment" event, shall use the "Certification Regarding Judge Assignment" event in CM/ECF. The judge assignment shall be made in an expeditious fashion, filing counsel notified of the assignment, and the assignment noted on the case docket.

Failure to observe this requirement may result in the subsequent reassignment of the case(s). This Order shall be effective for cases filed on or after November 15, 2009¹ and continue until incorporated in or altered by a Local Rule.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.



John E. Waites, Chief Judge
With the Agreement of the Judges of the Court

Columbia, South Carolina
November 5, 2009

¹ For all cases to be filed after the entry of this Order but prior to November 15, 2009 that meet the criteria set forth herein, the filing party shall contact the Clerk of Court for direction prior to filing the case.