UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF VERMONT

IN RE:	
AMENDMENT OF VERMONT	
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY	
RULE 1002(j) and	
ADOPTION OF VERMONT	
LOCAL BANKRUPTCY	
RULE 9037 FILINGS VIA FAX	*

GENERAL ORDER 99-2

This order allows court users greater flexibility in filing time sensitive documents via fax.

It is **ORDERED** that Vermont Local Bankruptcy Rule 1002(j) is amended to read:

The Clerk's Office will accept facsimile filings of voluntary (bare bones) petitions in emergency situations. When filing by fax, the two-page voluntary petition must be accompanied by a separate sheet of paper authorizing the clerk's office to charge the filer's VISA/MasterCard and stating the card number, expiration date and name as it appears on the card. The document will be considered filed at the time it is processed by the clerk's office regardless of the time the fax was transmitted.

It is further **ORDERED** that Vermont Local Bankruptcy Rule 9037 is adopted in the following form:

Certain time sensitive documents will be accepted when filed via facsimile machine. These include proofs of claim, adversary proceeding complaints, objections to motions or any other pleading of an emergency nature. Parties filing by this means will be required to attempt service on all parties in interest and the Office of the United States Trustee via fax and simultaneously fax a certificate of service to the court. When a filing fee is required, the document must be accompanied by a separate sheet of paper authorizing the clerk's office to charge the filer's VISA/MasterCard and stating the card number, expiration date and name as it appears on the card. Exhibits to pleadings filed by fax must be clearly marked as exhibits. All documents submitted by fax will be considered filed at the time they are processed by clerk's office staff.

Dated at Rutland, Vermont this <u>13</u> Day of <u>May</u> 1999. Jeannes I. Comm

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Francis G. Conrad U.S. Bankruptcy Judge