UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

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)	**GENERAL ORDER ESTABLISHING**
)	**STANDARDS FOR THE ELECTRONIC**
)	**FILING, SIGNING AND**
)	**VERIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS**
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THE COURT by local rule having permitted the filing, signing and verification of documents by electronic means so long as they are consistent with standards established by the court;

NOW THEREFORE THE COURT hereby establishes the following standards for the electronic filing, signing and verification of documents:

That an entity desiring to electronically file documents execute and file with the Clerk of the Court an ELECTRONIC FILING STATEMENT AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO ELECTRONICALLY FILE DOCUMENTS (LF 5005A) in addition to an ELECTRONIC FILING METHODS AND PROCEDURES STATEMENT which describes the methods and procedures to be used by the entity for the electronic filing, signing and verification of documents;

That the entity file a LIST OF AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES (LF 5005B), which shall contain the name, job title and electronic identification of each employee authorized to electronically file, sign or verify documents, and which list shall be amended as required;

That any employee authorized by the entity to file, sign or verify documents electronically shall execute and file with the Clerk of the Court an INDIVIDUAL ELECTRONIC FILING SIGNATURE AGREEMENT (LF 5005C);

That the Clerk of Court approve the ELECTRONIC FILING METHODS AND PROCEDURES STATEMENT to ensure that all areas of security, data quality, accountability and backup used by the entity to be in conformance with accepted industry standards and authorize the entity to electronically file documents;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any document filed electronically in accordance with this order shall constitute a written paper in accordance with and for the purposes set out in FRBP 5005(a)(2); and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the signature or verification of an authorized individual affixed electronically to an electronically filed document in accordance with this order shall constitute the signature of that individual for purposes of FRBP 9011 and 28 USC 1746.

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T.S. McGREGOR, CLERK
U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT
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Dated this 27th day of June 2001

Patricia C. Williams, Chief Judge

John A. Rossmeissl, Bankruptcy Judge

John M. Klobucher, Bankruptcy Judge

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