

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION OF TIME PERIOD CHANGES
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2009, INCLUDING SHORTENED DEADLINES FOR
FILING SCHEDULES, STATEMENTS AND CHAPTER 13 PLANS**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Under amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Bankruptcy Rules of the Eastern District of Virginia that will take effect December 1, 2009, existing time periods of less than 30 days are being adjusted to multiples of 7 days to reduce the number of instances in which the final day would fall on a weekend or holiday. In most instances, this results in existing time periods being increased (e.g., 10 days becomes 14, 20 days becomes 21, and 25 days becomes 28). However, 15-day periods are reduced to 14 days. The reduction most notably affects the existing periods for filing schedules, lists, and statements and the period for filing a chapter 13 plan, which will now be 14 days rather than 15 days after the filing of the petition. Please take note of these changes. Consistent with a policy announced by the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules of the Judicial Conference of the United States, the Court will, during a six-month transition period, treat a filing that would have been timely before December 1, 2009, as timely under the amended rules.

William C. Redden
Clerk of Court

Date: November 24, 2009