## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

WHEREAS, the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (the "2005 Act") will become fully effective on October 17, 2005, and the Court anticipates that debtors will seek to file cases under the pre-2005 Act law up until midnight, Eastern Daylight Time ("EDT"), on October 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk's office closes at 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, October 14, 2005, and will not reopen until 8:30 a.m. EDT on Monday, October 17, 2005, but pursuant to FED. R. BANKR. P. 5001(a), the Court shall be deemed always open for the purpose, <u>inter alia</u>, of filing any pleadings or papers relating to a case or a proceeding; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 5001-1, when the Clerk's office is closed, papers not filed electronically may be filed by depositing them in the night depository maintained by the District Court and are deemed filed as of the date and time stamped thereon; it is hereby

ORDERED that any pleadings or papers commencing a case under title 11 may also be filed between the hours of 5:00 p.m. EDT on October 14, 2005 and midnight EDT on October 16, 2005, by depositing the pleading or paper in the night depository maintained by the Bankruptcy Court in the lobby of the United States Bankruptcy Court at One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004, and such pleading or paper shall be deemed filed as of the date and time stamped thereon.

Dated: New York, New York October 11, 2005

/s/ Stuart M. Bernstein
STUART M. BERNSTEIN
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge