IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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IN RE:

AUTHORIZING CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEES TO PAY BANK SERVICE CHARGES AND FEES INCURRED BY CHAPTER 7 ESTATE ACCOUNTS. No. 11-GO-01

ORDER

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Court that financial institutions are no longer willing to waive their customary fees for maintaining accounts opened by trustees in cases under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code; and

WHEREAS, trustees in Chapter 7 cases in the Northern District of Oklahoma cannot effectively discharge their duties if they are unable to open accounts for the deposit and maintenance of funds collected in those cases; and

WHEREAS, the United States Trustee for Region 20 has requested the adoption of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Panel trustees administering cases under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Northern District of Oklahoma are authorized to incur and pay any actual, necessary expense as contemplated by 11 U.S.C. § 330 for bank fees and charges directly related to the administration of estate accounts; and
- 2. The Court shall retain authority to review and approve such expenses during the administration of the case.

This General Order is effective for all Chapter 7 cases pending on or after August 22, 2011, and shall remain in effect until further order of the Court.

Dated this 17th day of August, 2011.

TERRENCE L. MICHAEL, CHIEF JUDGE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

DANA L. RASURE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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