UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE REGARDING NEW CM/ECF EVENT CODE FOR MOTION OR STIPULATION TO APPROVE A MODIFICATION OF A MORTGAGE LOAN POST-CONFIRMATION IN CHAPTER 13 CASES

Many times in Chapter 13 cases, after a plan is confirmed, a debtor seeks the Court's approval to enter into a modification of a mortgage loan. Such requests are ordinarily made in the form of a post-confirmation plan modification pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-2(b). The proper event code to be used where the relief sought modifies the plan is "Chapter 13 Post-Confirmation Plan Modification." It has come to the Court's attention that debtors sometimes also request approval of a modification of a mortgage loan either by motion filed under Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1 or by stipulation with the Chapter 13 Trustee, but without filing a post-confirmation plan modification. The Court has created a new event code for filing such requests for relief under CM/ECF when a post-confirmation plan modification is not filed.

The new event code is "Motion/Stipulation for Approval of Loan Modification." This new event code can be found under the section for "Motions/Applications" in the ECF system. This new event code does not replace the event code for "Chapter 13 Post-Confirmation Plan Modifications" which remains the proper event code for a post-confirmation plan modification pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 3015-2(b). The new event code should be used where a debtor seeks by motion or stipulation to have the Court approve either a temporary or permanent modification to a mortgage loan

post-confirmation without or in advance of a plan modification filed pursuant to Local

Bankruptcy Rule 3015-2(b).

Requests for approval of a mortgage loan modification that are filed as "generic"

motions or stipulations will be stricken. Also, when filing a motion under the new event

code, the movant must comply with Local Bankruptcy Rule 9014-1(g)'s requirement that

the motion state that concurrence in the relief sought has been requested from the

Chapter 13 Trustee before filing the motion.

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Katherine B. Gullo Clerk of Court

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