

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

BANKRUPTCY STANDING ORDER 2019-1

ORDER EXTENDING DEADLINES APPLICABLE TO
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTAL UNITS DURING GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

Considering that the partial shutdown of the United States Government that began Friday, December 21, 2018 at 12:00 a.m. (“Partial Shutdown”), temporarily may leave frequent federal agency litigants and parties in interest—including the Department of Justice, the Internal Revenue Service, the Office of the United States Trustee, and the United States Attorney's office—unable to meet bankruptcy case deadlines or participate in hearings, trials or adversary proceedings,

IT IS ORDERED that:

- (a) All deadlines imposed by the Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Local Bankruptcy Rules, or by order of this court that apply to a governmental unit of the United States, including but not limited to the Office of the United States Trustee, are extended through a date fourteen (14) days after the end of the Partial Shutdown, unless the court orders otherwise upon a finding of compelling circumstances.
- (b) Trials and hearings scheduled during the Partial Shutdown will be continued only by order of the court on motion of a governmental unit.
- (c) After the Partial Shutdown, the court may reset deadlines changed by this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk distribute this order by electronic service to all registered CM/ECF users and by posting the order on the court's public website.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, January 3, 2019.

s/ Douglas D. Dodd
DOUGLAS D. DODD
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE