

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

IN RE:

General Order 25-2

STAY OF CERTAIN UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT DEADLINES IN LIGHT OF
LAPSE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND
GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

ORDER

Effective as of the date of this Order, the following procedures shall apply to deadlines for the United States Department of Justice, the Internal Revenue Service, the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Small Business Administration, and any other federal agencies impacted by the current lapse in appropriations and government shutdown (collectively, the “United States”):

(1) In any case where the applicable deadline for the United States to file a proof of claim has not already passed, the deadline for the United States to file a proof of claim in such case shall be the later of: (1) the applicable governmental bar date; or (2) thirty days after the government shutdown is ended through appropriate Congressional action.

(2) Deadlines in any adversary proceeding in which the United States is a named party shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and shall be extended where appropriate.

(3) Any party that claims to be prejudiced by the terms of this Order may request relief from the Court on a case-by-case basis through an appropriate motion filed in the applicable case.

(4) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Order shall stay or extend the response deadline for any of the following categories of matters, which may proceed notwithstanding the lapse in appropriations:

(a) motions for the use of cash collateral under 11 U.S.C. § 363;

- (b) motions for authority to obtain post-petition credit under 11 U.S.C. § 364;
- (c) motions for relief from the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. § 362 where time is of the essence to protect estate or third-party interests;
- (d) motions seeking authority to pay wages, salaries, benefits, or other obligations necessary to preserve the estate;
- (e) motions to assume or reject executory contracts or unexpired leases where a prompt decision is essential to the preservation of the estate or to avoid prejudice to non-governmental counterparties; and
- (f) any matter in which delay would cause immediate and irreparable harm to the debtor, the estate, creditors, or other non-governmental parties in interest.

The Court will review cases involving the above matters on a case-by-case basis and take appropriate action where necessary to address the effect of the government shutdown on the ability of the United States to respond to said matter(s).

(5) Nothing in this Order shall prevent this Court from continuing or rescheduling any matter in the interests of justice.

(6) This Order is intended as an administrative measure to address the lapse in appropriations. It does not affect deadlines or proceedings unrelated to the participation of the United States, nor does it alter the substantive rights of any party.

ENTERED: October 17, 2025

/s/ Mary E. Lopinot

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE