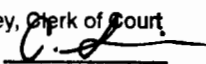


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David J. Bradley, Clerk of Court
By Deputy Clerk 

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

IN RE:

HURRICANE HARVEY

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GENERAL ORDER 2017-7

FIFTH GENERAL ORDER CONCERNING HURRICANE HARVEY

In the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, the Court recognizes that some consumer debtors may be eligible for emergency grants, loans and other assistance. Others will be entitled to insurance payments. The Court is aware that agencies have different policies with respect to providing assistance to persons in bankruptcy. In order to facilitate the recovery of the victims of Hurricane Harvey, the Court

ORDERS THAT:

1. A debtor may receive insurance proceeds, gifts, grants or in-kind contributions if the debtor has no legal obligation to repay the insurance proceeds, gifts, grants or in-kind contributions without prior court approval.

2. If a debtor receives insurance proceeds, gifts, grants or in-kind contributions, the debtor shall include a disclosure setting forth the type and amount of the assistance received with any proposed plan or plan modification.

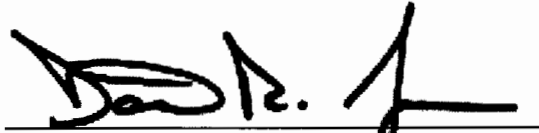
3. Insurance proceeds, gifts, grants or in-kind contributions may be used to replace or repair the debtor's real or personal property without a further Court order. If there is an additional loss payee (such as a mortgage company), this Order does not affect the debtor's obligation to obtain appropriate approvals, if any, from the additional payee. If required, debtors may seek emergency relief to effectuate any required approvals.

4. A debtor may receive a loan only under these conditions:

- a. If the proceeds of the loan are to be received from an agency of the United States, the State of Texas, or a political subdivision of the State of Texas, no advance Court approval is required; or
- b. If repayment of the loan is guaranteed by an agency of the United States, the State of Texas, or a political subdivision of the State of Texas, no advance Court approval is required; or
- c. If the loan has been approved by the chapter 13 trustee under § 1305(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, no advance Court approval is required; or
- d. In all other instances, advance Court approval is required.

5. If a debtor receives a loan that does not require prior court approval under paragraph 4, the debtor shall include a disclosure setting forth the source, the amount of the loan received and repayment terms with any proposed plan or plan modification.

SIGNED: September 8, 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D.R. Jones", written over a horizontal line.

DAVID R. JONES
CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE