

October 26 2020

Clerk, U.S. District Court  
District of Montana  
Missoula DivisionIN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

In re: Acceptance and Assignment of  
Emergency Filings Outside of Regular  
Business Hours

STANDING ORDER No. BMM-7

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The Clerk of Court shall establish a means of accepting emergency filings outside of regular business hours and promptly notifying the Court of such filings.

The Clerk of Court shall promptly post to the Court's public website instructions for submitting an emergency filing outside of regular business hours and shall notify all registered CM/ECF users of such instructions on or before October 28, 2020.

2. For purposes of this Standing Order, "emergency fillings" refers to any filing seeking injunctive relief before the next business day, without which the filing party alleges it will suffer an irreparable injury.

3. The Court will designate a rotating on-call judge to decide emergency filings submitted under this Standing Order. The rotation shall consist of those judges who are qualified based on the preceding year's work to participate in court governance under Standing Order BMM-1. The undersigned Chief Judge shall be the first

judge so designated. As to this paragraph, this Standing Order supersedes Standing Order BMM-4, which otherwise governs the assignment of cases filed in this district.

4. The on-call judge shall preside over the case and issue any necessary orders prior to the next business day. On the next business day, the Clerk of Court shall re-assign any matter initiated via emergency filing in accordance with Standing Order BMM-4. The judge to whom such matter is re-assigned shall preside over all further proceedings in the case.

5. The Clerk of Court shall notify all judicial officers of the entry of this Standing Order.

DATED this 26th day of October, 2020.



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Brian Morris, Chief Judge  
United States District Court