UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

In Re:)
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     PACER Fee Exemption   )
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ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF PACER FEES

This Court recognizes that the United States Congress has given the Judicial Conference of the United States authority to impose user fees for electronic access to case information;

This Court further recognizes that individual courts have the authority to waive user fees for parties that satisfy certain established criteria in order to facilitate access to the court's PACER electronic case information;

Upon review of the application for a waiver of PACER fees for Katherine Waldock, doctoral candidate at the New York University Stern School of Business, this Court finds good cause to exempt Katherine Waldock, PACER login kw2888, from payment of fees associated with her use of the PACER system for the period beginning on August 25, 2014, and ending on August 20, 2015, unless revoked by this court. Ms. Waldock is conducting ongoing academic research designed to investigate the impact of credit

markets on corporate policies and the role of distressed debt investors in Chapter 11 reorganization. The data collected will be used to categorize the various strategies adopted by the investors and measure the impact of the strategies on real firm policies such as employment and plant productivity as well as the long-term impacts on corporate performance. A fee waiver would promote public access to court information, as publications resulting from access to such information would be available to the public, thereby increasing public knowledge and promoting better understanding of the bankruptcy system;

No information, reports, documents, or other data obtained using a fee exempt PACER account will be sold for profit or otherwise exchanged or transferred for value.

It is so ORDERED.

Date: 8.27.14

The Honorable Laura T. Beyer, Chief Judge