

# **U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

## **NOTICE**

### **CM/ECF UPGRADE TO VERSION 3.1**

On Monday, October 16, 2006, the Case Management/Electronic Case Filing system (CM/ECF) will be upgraded to Version 3.1. In order to perform this software upgrade, CM/ECF will be unavailable from 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 14 until 6:30 a.m. on Monday, October 16.

Version 3.1 is a statistical release designed to meet the requirements imposed on the judiciary by the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act which are slated to take effect October 17, 2006. Significant changes have been incorporated into the case opening processes of Version 3.1 that affect the case upload module and case opening screens. Electronic filers should contact their petition preparation software vendor to coordinate the loading of their bankruptcy preparer's software to coincide with this court's scheduled migration to Version 3.1. Please note that you must update your software at the same time we upgrade our servers because older preparation software versions of case upload files will not work properly on and after October 16. (You will still have the option to open the case manually if you are not able to update your software timely). In addition, preparation software for case upload that is modified for Version 3.1 cannot be used prior to October 16, 2006.

In Version 3.1 you will also notice a number of other changes to meet the required collection of certain statistical information regarding bankruptcy cases. To collect this data there will be changes and additions to dictionary events on motions and applications. We will provide you with more detailed information regarding those event changes prior to our upgrade date.