## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, Congress, by adoption of 28 U.S.C. § 158(b)(1), has directed the establishment of a Bankruptcy Appellate Panel by the Judicial Council of each circuit, and

WHEREAS, the Eighth Circuit Judicial Council has established a Bankruptcy Appellate Panel in the Eighth Circuit, and

WHEREAS, Section 158(b)(6) requires a majority of the district judges of a district court to authorize bankruptcy appeals to be heard by the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel, and

WHEREAS, the judges of the district court for the District of South Dakota voted to authorize the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Eighth Circuit to hear and determine bankruptcy appeals originating in the District of South Dakota,

IT IS ORDERED that all appeals in bankruptcy proceedings taken pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 158(a) in the District of South Dakota be heard and determined by the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals unless any party to the case elects to have the appeal heard by the district court as provided for in 28 U.S.C. § 158(c)(1).

Dated December 10, 2007.

BY THE COURT:

KAREN E. SCHREIER

CHIEF JUDGE