IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

| In re: |) |
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| Adoption of Amendments to Interim |) |
| Bankruptcy Rule 1020 to Implement the |) |
| Bankruptcy Threshold Adjustment and |) |
| Technical Correction Act |) |

General Order 22-07

WHEREAS the Bankruptcy Threshold Adjustment and Technical Correction Act ("the BTATC Act"), made temporary changes to the Bankruptcy Code including reinstating the definition of "debtor" for determining eligibility under Subchapter V of Chapter 11. The BTATC act is of limited duration, but requires additional amendments to Interim Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; and

WHEREAS the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules recommends courts enter a general order adopting the BTATC Act-related amendments to Interim Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071, Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rule 9029 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, amended Interim Rule 1020 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, a copy of which is attached is adopted in its entirety effective immediately, and will remain in effect until further order of this court. This General Order supersedes General Order 20-02, which is rescinded.

Dated: August 2, 2022

Thomas L. Saladino, Chief Judge

Brian S. Kruse, Judge

| 1 | Interim Rule 1020. Chapter 11 Reorganization Case for |
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| 2 | Small Business Debtors <u>or Debtors Under Subchapter V</u> |
| 3 | (a) <u>SMALL BUSINESS</u> DEBTOR |
| 4 | DESIGNATION. In a voluntary chapter 11 case, the debtor |
| 5 | shall state in the petition whether the debtor is a small |
| 6 | business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the |
| 7 | Code and, if the latter so, whether the debtor elects to have |
| 8 | subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. In an involuntary chapter |
| 9 | 11 case, the debtor shall file within 14 days after entry of the |
| 10 | order for relief a statement as to whether the debtor is a small |
| 11 | business debtor or a debtor as defined in § 1182(1) of the |
| 12 | Code and, if the latter so, whether the debtor elects to have |
| 13 | subchapter V of chapter 11 apply. The status of the case as |
| 14 | a small business case or a case under subchapter V of chapter |
| 15 | 11 shall be in accordance with the debtor's statement under |
| 16 | this subdivision, unless and until the court enters an order |
| 17 | finding that the debtor's statement is incorrect. |
| 18 | (b) OBJECTING TO DESIGNATION. The United |
| 19 | States trustee or a party in interest may file an objection to |
| 20 | the debtor's statement under subdivision (a) no later than 30 |
| 21 | days after the conclusion of the meeting of creditors held |
| 22 | under § 341(a) of the Code, or within 30 days after any |
| 23 | amendment to the statement, whichever is later. |

- 24 (c) PROCEDURE FOR OBJECTION OR
- 25 DETERMINATION. Any objection or request for a
- determination under this rule shall be governed by Rule 9014
- and served on: the debtor; the debtor's attorney; the United
- 28 States trustee; the trustee; the creditors included on the list
- 29 filed under Rule 1007(d) or, if a committee has been
- 30 appointed under § 1102(a)(3), the committee or its
- authorized agent; and any other entity as the court directs.

Committee Note

The Interim Rule is amended in response to the enactment of the Bankruptcy Threshold Adjustment and Technical Correction Act (the "BTATC Act"), Pub. L. No. 117-151, ____ Stat. ____. The BTATC reinstates the definition of "debtor" for determining eligibility to proceed under subchapter V of chapter 11 that was in effect from March 27, 2020 through March 27, 2022, under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281, as amended. Subdivision (a) of the rule is amended to reflect that change. This Interim Rule will terminate two years after the date of enactment of the BTATC, unless the Act is extended.