IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:	)	
COMPLIANCE WITH ELECTRONIC	)	**Misc. 06-34**
CASE FILING REGISTRATION	)	
REQUIREMENTS	)	

ORDER REGARDING IMPOSITION OF PROCESSING FEE AND SANCTION

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2005 the court established by Order filed at Miscellaneous No. 05-186 an Electronic Case Filing System and adopted Electronic Case Filing Policies and Procedures to govern the program, which made electronic filing mandatory in this district; and

WHEREAS, attorneys and their staff have been able to receive free training in the use of the Court's Case Management/Electronic Case Files (CM/ECF); and

WHEREAS, the Court has determined that a processing fee and sanctions of $150.00 per document will be imposed each time an attorney files a document by means other than the Court's CM/ECF system, unless leave of Court has been granted to file the document under seal;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, effective June 12, 2006 attorneys shall pay a processing fee and sanctions of $150.00 per document for failure to file a document with this Court electronically by use of the CM/ECF system. This fee must be paid from the funds of the attorney or his law firm. Counsel shall not charge to or collect the $150.00 from the client as a fee, cost, expense, or other charge in this case.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, additional documents filed by the attorney prior to payment of the processing fee and sanctions may be stricken from the record.

5-30-06
Date

By: Arlette G. Ambrose
Chief United States District Judge