

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF THE CLERK

## ELECTRONIC PUBLIC ACCESS AND E-FILING SYSTEMS SCHEDULED DOWNTIME

August 10, 2005

The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts has advised that it will no longer provide support for the outdated BANCAP case management system and has directed all courts remaining on BANCAP to convert to CM, the case management portion of the national CM/ECF system.

At 12:00 noon on Friday, August 12, 2005, the court will begin converting its case management database from BANCAP to CM.\*

Due to the size of the court's database, conversion of active BANCAP data is expected to take more than 60 hours. During the conversion, VCIS will be shut down. However, the court Internet web site (<a href="www.caeb.uscourts.gov">www.caeb.uscourts.gov</a>) will be available and you may access PACER to obtain electronic case information and imaged documents throughout the conversion process. Additionally, you will have access to court calendars and pre-hearing dispositions, including tentative rulings, through the court's web site.

With the exception of voluntary petitions, complaints, and notices of removal, documents may be submitted for filing electronically during the conversion. Confirmation e-mails will be sent as usual for these documents; however, no further processing of documents e-filed after 12:00 noon on Friday, August 12, 2005 will occur, and no e-filed voluntary petitions, complaints, or notices of removal will be accepted, until 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2005.

During the downtime, the Clerk's Office public counters will be open as usual. However, case information and imaged documents will not be available from the Clerk's Office public lobby computer terminals beginning at 12:00 noon on Friday, August 12, 2005 until Tuesday, August 16, 2005. Likewise, paper documents will be accepted for filing after 12:00 noon on Friday, but no further processing of these documents will occur until Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, to the extent possible, you should avoid filing documents after 12:00 p.m. on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> and before 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.

The August 12<sup>th</sup> – August 16<sup>th</sup> conversion will not include archived case data. Due to the number of archived cases, they must be loaded separately and will not be available until sometime after September 6, 2005.

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this scheduled downtime. Questions concerning court operations during system downtime should be directed to the appropriate division manager.

\*NOTE: The court will continue to use its locally-developed electronic filing and document storage systems and has no plans to adopt the national CM/ECF electronic filing and document system.