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**The following constitutes the ruling of the court and has the force and effect therein described.**

  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

**Signed October 26, 2009**

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION

IN RE: §  
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ERICKSON RETIREMENT § CASE NO. 09-37010-SGJ-11  
COMMUNITIES, LLC, et al., § (Jointly Administered)  
§  
DEBTORS. §

**ORDER REGARDING TELEPHONIC APPEARANCES**

Based on the volume of requests for telephonic appearances, and recognizing the need for counsel to appear by telephone, the court applies the following protocols for telephonic appearances:

1. Prior court approval for a telephonic appearance is not required unless counsel is presenting evidence, questioning witnesses, or intending to make extensive legal argument. If counsel is presenting evidence, questioning witnesses, or intending to make extensive legal argument, then counsel must obtain prior court approval for a telephonic appearance by email

request to [sqj\\_settings@txnb.uscourts.gov](mailto:sqj_settings@txnb.uscourts.gov) at least 24 hours prior to the hearing.

2. The court uses Court Call as its conference call operator for all telephonic appearances. There is a fee for this service. Counsel must set up each telephonic appearance with Court Call the day before the hearing. The contact number for Court Call is: (866) 582-6878. Court Call will prepare a master list of parties appearing by telephone for the court and email the list to the court the afternoon before the hearing.

3. Participants must join the call no later than ten (10) minutes before the scheduled hearing time. Counsel will not be allowed to participate if late joining in.

4. To ensure the quality of the call, no speaker phones, cell phones, headsets or public phones may be used. Counsel must be on the handset of the telephone during the appearance. On every occasion before speaking, identification must be made for the record.

5. If a technological problem develops, the court will nevertheless proceed with the hearing.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

###END OF ORDER###