UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

In Re:)	In Proceedings Under Chapter 11
)	
FARMLAND INDUSTRIES, INC. ET AL.,)	Case No. 09-50557-JMV
)	Joint Administration
Debtors.)	

ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION TO EMPLOY MICHAEL CHILDRESS AND THE FIRM OF CHILDRESS & ZDEB, LTD. AS SPECIAL CORPORATE COUNSEL

This matter having come before the Court upon Debtors' <u>Application for Employment of the Firm of Childress & Zdeb, Ltd. as Special Counsel for the Debtors and Debtors in Possession</u> (the "Application"), and the Court having considered the issue, the arguments of counsel, and it appearing to the Court that Childress & Zdeb, Ltd. neither holds nor represents an interest adverse to the Debtors or the estates in the matters for which it is to be employed; and it appearing to the Court that retention of Childress & Zdeb, Ltd. is in the best interests of the estates; **IT IS HEREBY**

ORDERED that the Application is granted and Childress & Zdeb, Ltd. shall be and hereby is retained as special counsel for Debtors to render the services identified in the Application; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that Childress & Zdeb, Ltd. shall be entitled to receive reasonable compensation for its services and to receive reimbursement of actual, necessary expenses in accordance with relevant law.

Dated: November 8, 2002.

/s/ Jerry W. Venters
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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