use, sale, lease, or grant results in a decrease in the value of property securing a claim or of an entity's ownership interest in property;

- (3) paying to such entity for the use of farmland the reasonable rent customary in the community where the property is located, based upon the rental value, net income, and earning capacity of the property; or
- (4) granting such other relief, other than entitling such entity to compensation allowable under section 503(b)(1) of this title as an administrative expense, as will adequately protect the value of property securing a claim or of such entity's ownership interest in property.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 99–554, title II, §255, title III, §302(f), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3107, 3124; Pub. L. 103–65, §1, Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311; Pub. L. 105–277, div. C, title I, §149(a), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–610; Pub. L. 106–5, §1(1), (2), Mar. 30, 1999, 113 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106–70, §1, Oct. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1031; Pub. L. 107–8, §1, May 11, 2001, 115 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 107–17, §1, June 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 151; Pub. L. 107–170, §1, May 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10814(a), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 315; Pub. L. 107–377, §2(a), Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 315; Pub. L. 108–377, §2(a), Aug. 15, 2003, 117 Stat. 891; Pub. L. 108–369, §2(a), Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 109–8, title X, §1001(a)(1), (c), Apr. 20, 2005, 119 Stat. 185, 186.)

#### CODIFICATION

For repeal of section effective Oct. 1, 1998, and subsequent reenactment of section, see note set out preceding section 1201 of this title.

# EFFECTIVE DATES

Permanent reenactment of section effective July 1, 2005, see section 1001(a)(2) of Pub. L. 109-8, set out as a Repeal, Reenactment, and Termination of Chapter note under section 1201 of this title. For effective dates of section and amendments extending periods for which section was reenacted prior to permanent reenactment, see Effective Date and Effective Date of 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004 Amendment notes set out under section 1201 of this title.

# § 1206. Sales free of interests

After notice and a hearing, in addition to the authorization contained in section 363(f), the trustee in a case under this chapter may sell property under section 363(b) and (c) free and clear of any interest in such property of an entity other than the estate if the property is farmland, farm equipment, or property used to carry out a commercial fishing operation (including a commercial fishing vessel), except that the proceeds of such sale shall be subject to such interest.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 99–554, title II, §255, title III, §302(f), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3108, 3124; Pub. L. 103–65, §1, Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311; Pub. L. 105–277, div. C, title I, §149(a), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–610; Pub. L. 106–5, §1(1), (2), Mar. 30, 1999, 113 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106–70, §1, Oct. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1031; Pub. L. 107–8, §1, May 11, 2001, 115 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 107–17, §1, June 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 151; Pub. L. 107–170, §1, May 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10814(a), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 532; Pub. L. 107–377, §2(a), Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 3115; Pub. L. 108–73, §2(a), Aug.

15, 2003, 117 Stat. 891; Pub. L. 108–369, §2(a), Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 109–8, title X, §§1001(a)(1), (c), 1007(c)(3), Apr. 20, 2005, 119 Stat. 185, 186, 188.)

### CODIFICATION

For repeal of section effective Oct. 1, 1998, and subsequent reenactment of section, see note set out preceding section 1201 of this title.

#### AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109-8, \$1007(c)(3), substituted "if the property is farmland, farm equipment, or property used to carry out a commercial fishing operation (including a commercial fishing vessel)" for "if the property is farmland or farm equipment".

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2005 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 1007(c)(3) of Pub. L. 109–8 effective 180 days after Apr. 20, 2005, and not applicable with respect to cases commenced under this title before such effective date, except as otherwise provided, see section 1501 of Pub. L. 109–8, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATES

Permanent reenactment of section effective July 1, 2005, see section 1001(a)(2) of Pub. L. 109-8, set out as a Repeal, Reenactment, and Termination of Chapter note under section 1201 of this title. For effective dates of section and amendments extending periods for which section was reenacted prior to permanent reenactment, see Effective Date and Effective Date of 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004 Amendment notes set out under section 1201 of this title.

## § 1207. Property of the estate

- (a) Property of the estate includes, in addition to the property specified in section 541 of this title—
  - (1) all property of the kind specified in such section that the debtor acquires after the commencement of the case but before the case is closed, dismissed, or converted to a case under chapter 7 of this title, whichever occurs first; and
  - (2) earnings from services performed by the debtor after the commencement of the case but before the case is closed, dismissed, or converted to a case under chapter 7 of this title, whichever occurs first.
- (b) Except as provided in section 1204, a confirmed plan, or an order confirming a plan, the debtor shall remain in possession of all property of the estate.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 99–554, title II,  $\S 255$ , title III,  $\S 302(f)$ , Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3108, 3124; Pub. L. 103–65,  $\S 1$ , Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311; Pub. L. 105–277, div. C, title I,  $\S 149(a)$ , Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–610; Pub. L. 106–5,  $\S 1(1)$ , (2), Mar. 30, 1999, 113 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106–70,  $\S 1$ , Oct. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1031; Pub. L. 107–8,  $\S 1$ , May 11, 2001, 115 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 107–17,  $\S 1$ , June 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 151; Pub. L. 107–170,  $\S 1$ , May 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 107–171, title X,  $\S 10814(a)$ , May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 532; Pub. L. 107–377,  $\S 2(a)$ , Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 3115; Pub. L. 108–369,  $\S 2(a)$ , Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 108–369,  $\S 2(a)$ , Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 109–8, title X,  $\S 1001(a)(1)$ , (c), Apr. 20, 2005, 119 Stat. 185, 186.)

## CODIFICATION

For repeal of section effective Oct. 1, 1998, and subsequent reenactment of section, see note set out preceding section 1201 of this title.

## EFFECTIVE DATES

Permanent reenactment of section effective July 1, 2005, see section 1001(a)(2) of Pub. L. 109–8, set out as a Repeal, Reenactment, and Termination of Chapter note under section 1201 of this title. For effective dates of section and amendments extending periods for which section was reenacted prior to permanent reenactment, see Effective Date and Effective Date of 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004 Amendment notes set out under section 1201 of this title.

## § 1208. Conversion or dismissal

- (a) The debtor may convert a case under this chapter to a case under chapter 7 of this title at any time. Any waiver of the right to convert under this subsection is unenforceable.
- (b) On request of the debtor at any time, if the case has not been converted under section 706 or 1112 of this title, the court shall dismiss a case under this chapter. Any waiver of the right to dismiss under this subsection is unenforceable.
- (c) On request of a party in interest, and after notice and a hearing, the court may dismiss a case under this chapter for cause, including—
- (1) unreasonable delay, or gross mismanagement, by the debtor that is prejudicial to creditors:
- (2) nonpayment of any fees and charges required under chapter 123 of title 28;
- (3) failure to file a plan timely under section 1221 of this title:
- (4) failure to commence making timely payments required by a confirmed plan;
- (5) denial of confirmation of a plan under section 1225 of this title and denial of a request made for additional time for filing another plan or a modification of a plan;
- (6) material default by the debtor with respect to a term of a confirmed plan;
- (7) revocation of the order of confirmation under section 1230 of this title, and denial of confirmation of a modified plan under section 1229 of this title:
- (8) termination of a confirmed plan by reason of the occurrence of a condition specified in the plan;
- (9) continuing loss to or diminution of the estate and absence of a reasonable likelihood of rehabilitation; and
- (10) failure of the debtor to pay any domestic support obligation that first becomes payable after the date of the filing of the petition.
- (d) On request of a party in interest, and after notice and a hearing, the court may dismiss a case under this chapter or convert a case under this chapter to a case under chapter 7 of this title upon a showing that the debtor has committed fraud in connection with the case.
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a case may not be converted to a case under another chapter of this title unless the debtor may be a debtor under such chapter.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 99–554, title II, §255, title III, §302(f), Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3108, 3124; Pub. L. 103–65, §1, Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311; Pub. L. 105–277, div. C, title I, §149(a), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–610; Pub. L. 106–5, §1(1), (2), Mar. 30, 1999, 113 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106–70, §1, Oct. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1031; Pub. L. 107–78, §1, May 11, 2001, 115 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 107–17, §1, June 26, 2001, 115

Stat. 151; Pub. L. 107–170, §1, May 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 107–171, title X, §10814(a), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 532; Pub. L. 107–377, §2(a), Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 3115; Pub. L. 108–73, §2(a), Aug. 15, 2003, 117 Stat. 891; Pub. L. 108–369, §2(a), Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 109–8, title II, §213(2), title X, §1001(a)(1), (c), Apr. 20, 2005, 119 Stat. 52, 185, 186.)

#### CODIFICATION

For repeal of section effective Oct. 1, 1998, and subsequent reenactment of section, see note set out preceding section 1201 of this title.

### AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (c)(10). Pub. L. 109-8,  $\S 213(2)$ , added par. (10).

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2005 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 213(2) of Pub. L. 109–8 effective 180 days after Apr. 20, 2005, and not applicable with respect to cases commenced under this title before such effective date, except as otherwise provided, see section 1501 of Pub. L. 109–8, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATES

Permanent reenactment of section effective July 1, 2005, see section 1001(a)(2) of Pub. L. 109-8, set out as a Repeal, Reenactment, and Termination of Chapter note under section 1201 of this title. For effective dates of section and amendments extending periods for which section was reenacted prior to permanent reenactment, see Effective Date and Effective Date of 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004 Amendment notes set out under section 1201 of this title.

## SUBCHAPTER II—THE PLAN

# § 1221. Filing of plan

The debtor shall file a plan not later than 90 days after the order for relief under this chapter, except that the court may extend such period if the need for an extension is attributable to circumstances for which the debtor should not justly be held accountable.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 99–554, title II,  $\S 255$ , title III,  $\S 302(f)$ , Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3109, 3124; Pub. L. 103–65,  $\S \$ 1$ , 2, Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311; Pub. L. 105–277, div. C, title I,  $\S 149(a)$ , Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681–610; Pub. L. 106–5,  $\S 1(1)$ , (2), Mar. 30, 1999, 113 Stat. 9; Pub. L. 106–70,  $\S 1$ , Oct. 9, 1999, 113 Stat. 1031; Pub. L. 107–8,  $\S 1$ , May 11, 2001, 115 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 107–17,  $\S 1$ , June 26, 2001, 115 Stat. 151; Pub. L. 107–170,  $\S 1$ , May 7, 2002, 116 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 107–171, title X,  $\S 10814(a)$ , May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 315; Pub. L. 107–377,  $\S 2(a)$ , Dec. 19, 2002, 116 Stat. 3115; Pub. L. 108–73,  $\S 2(a)$ , Aug. 15, 2003, 117 Stat. 891; Pub. L. 108–369,  $\S 2(a)$ , Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1749; Pub. L. 109–8, title X,  $\S 1001(a)(1)$ , (c), Apr. 20, 2005, 119 Stat. 185, 186.)

# CODIFICATION

For repeal of section effective Oct. 1, 1998, and subsequent reenactment of section, see note set out preceding section 1201 of this title.

## AMENDMENTS

1993—Pub. L. 103-65 substituted "the need for an extension is attributable to circumstances for which the debtor should not justly be held accountable" for "an extension is substantially justified".

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 103-65, §3, Aug. 6, 1993, 107 Stat. 311, provided that: