ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, Counsel (SBN 66674) Department of Real Estate 320 W. 4TH Street, Suite 350 2 Los Angeles, CA 90013-1105 EPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 3 (213) 576-6982 (Office) Telephone: 4 the deshils (213) 576-6911 (Direct) -or-5 6 7 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 8 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 No. H-31873 LA 11 In the Matter of the Accusation of 12 LOANGUY.com, a California corporation, STIPULATION and MITCHEL FRANK LICHTERMAN, 13 AND individually and as designated AGREEMENT officer of Loanguy.com. 14 15 Respondents. 16 It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondents 17 LOANGUY.com, a corporate real estate broker, and MITCHEL FRANK 18 19 LICHTERMAN, individually and as designated officer of 20 Loanguy.com, (sometimes collectively referred to as 21 "Respondents"), represented by Frank M. Buda, Esq. and the 22 Complainant, acting by and through Elliott Mac Lennan, Counsel 23 for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of 24 settling and disposing of the Accusation ("Accusation") filed on 25 April 27, 2005, in this matter: 26 27 - 1 -

1. All issues which were to be contested and all 1 evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and Respondents 2 at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be 3 held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be 5 submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this 6 Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation"). 7

8 Respondents have received, read and understand the 2. 9 Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and 10 the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this 11 proceeding.

12 3. Respondents timely filed a Notice of Defense 13 pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose 14 of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. 15 Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notice of 16 Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by Defense. 17 withdrawing said Notice of Defense they thereby waive their right 18 to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the 19 Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the 20 provisions of the APA and that they will waive other rights 21 afforded to them in connection with the hearing such as the right 22 to present evidence in their defense the right to cross-examine 23 24 witnesses. 25 111 26 111

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This Stipulation is based on the factual 4. 1 allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of 2 expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to contest the 3 allegations which give rise to the violations stipulated to ٨ herein, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result 5 thereof, these factual allegations, without being admitted or 6 denied, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary 7 action stipulated to herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall 8 9 not be required to provide further evidence to prove said factual 10 allegations.

11 5. This Stipulation and Respondents decision not to 12 contest the above-referenced allegations in the Accusation is 13 made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this 14 proceeding and is expressly limited to this proceeding and any 15 other proceeding or case in which the Department of Real Estate 16 ("Department"), the state or federal government, or any agency of 17 this state, another state or federal government is involved. 18

б. It is understood by the parties that the Real 19 Estate Commissioner may adopt this Stipulation as his Decision in 20 this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on 21 Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth 22 in the "Order" herein below. In the event that the Commissioner 23 24 in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, it shall be 25 void and of no effect and Respondents shall retain the right to a 26 hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under the provisions of

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the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made herein.

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3	7. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real
4	Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation shall not
5	constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further
6	administrative or civil proceedings by the Department of Real
7	Estate with respect to any matters which were not specifically
8	alleged to be causes for Accusation in this proceeding but do
9	constitute a bar, estoppel and merger as to any allegations
10	actually contained in the Accusations against Respondent herein.
11	8. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this
12	Stipulation, Respondents agrees to pay, pursuant to Business and
13	Professions Code Section 10148, the cost of audit (LA
14	030378/030288) which led to this disciplinary action. The
15 16	amount of said cost for the audit is \$6,292.25.
17	9. Respondents have received, read, and understand the
18	"Notice Concerning Costs of Subsequent Audit". Respondents
19	further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation, the
20	findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues becomes
21	final, and the Commissioner may charge Respondents for the cost
22	of any subsequent audit conducted pursuant to Business and
23	Professions Code Section 10148 to determine if the violations
24	have been corrected. The maximum cost of the subsequent audit
25	will not exceed \$6,292.25.
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	DETERMINATION OF ISSUES
1	By reason of the foregoing, it is stipulated and agreed
2	that the following determination of issues shall be made:
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* 5	The conduct of LOANGUY.com, as described in Paragraph
6	4, above, is in violation of Code Section 10145 of the Business
7	and Professions Code ("Code") and Sections 2831, 2831.1, 2831.2
8	and 2950(d) of Title 10, Chapter 6 of the California Code of
9	Regulations ("Regulations") and is a basis for discipline of
10	Respondent's license and license rights as a violation of the
11	Real Estate Law pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(g).
12	 II.
13	The conduct of MITCHEL FRANK LICHTERMAN, as described
14	in Paragraph 4, above, constitutes a failure to keep Loanguy.com
15	in compliance with the Real Estate Law during the time that he
16 17	was the officer designated by a corporate broker licensee in
18	violation of Code Section 10159.2. This conduct is a basis for
19	discipline of Respondent's license pursuant to Code Section
20	10177(d).
21	ORDER
22	WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:
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24	Respondents LOANGUY.com and MITCHEL FRANK LICHTERMAN
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Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Business and 2 Professions Code, Respondent shall pay the Commissioner's 3 reasonable cost for (a) the audit which led to this disciplinary 4 action and (b) a subsequent audits to determine if Respondents 5 are now in compliance with the Real Estate Law. The cost of the 6 7 audit which led to this disciplinary action is \$6,292.25. In 8 calculating the amount of the Commissioner's reasonable cost, the 9 Commissioner may use the estimated average hourly salary for all 10 persons performing audits of real estate brokers, and shall 11 include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's 12 place of work. Said amount for the prior and subsequent audit 13 shall not exceed \$12,584.50.

Respondents shall pay such cost within 60 days of receiving an invoice from the Commissioner detailing the activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spent performing those activities.

The Commissioner may suspend the license of Respondents 19 pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., 20 of the Government Code, if payment is not timely made as provided 21 for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent agreement between 22 the Respondents and the Commissioner. The suspension shall 23 24 remain in effect until payment is made in full or until 25 Respondents enter into an agreement satisfactory to the 26 Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision

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providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant 1 to this condition. 2 3 12-19-05 DATED: 4 MAC LENNAN, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate 5 6 7 EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION 8 We have read the Stipulation and discussed it with our 9 counsel. Its terms are understood by us and are agreeable and 10 acceptable to us. We understand that we are waiving rights given 11 to us by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including 12 but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the 13 Government Code), and we willingly, intelligently and voluntarily 14 waive those rights, including the right of requiring the 15 Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a 16 hearing at which we would have the right to cross-examine 17 witnesses against us and to present evidence in defense and 18 mitigation of the charges. 19 Respondents can signify acceptance and approval of the 20 terms and conditions of this Stipulation by faxing a copy of its 21 signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the 22

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understand that by electronically sending to the Department a fax

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Lennan at (213) 57.6-6917. Respondents agree, acknowledge and

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Department at the following telephone/fax number:

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	Stipulation, that receipt of the faxed copy by the Department
1	shall be as binding on Respondents as if the Department had
. 2	received the original signed Stipulation.
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6	DATED:LOANGUY.com, a corporate real
7	estate broker, BY: MITCHEL FRANK LICHTERMAN,
8	D.O., Respondent
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11	individually and as designated officer of Loanguy.com, Respondent
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13	DATED: FRANK M. BUDA, Esq.
14	Attorney for Respondents Approved as to form
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18	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my
19	Decision as to Respondents LOANGUY.com and MITCHEL FRANK
20	LICHTERMAN, individually and as designated officer of
21	LOANGUY.com, and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on
22	FEB - 1, 2006.
23	IT IS SO ORDERED, 2006.
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25	Real Estate Commissioner
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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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. 11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) NO. H-31873 LA
12 13	LOANGUY.com, a California) Corporation and MITCHEL FRANK)
	LICHTERMAN, individually $) \underline{A} \underline{C} \underline{C} \underline{U} \underline{S} \underline{A} \underline{T} \underline{I} \underline{O} \underline{N}$ and as designated officer of $)$
15	Loanguy.com, a California) Corporation,)
16	Respondents.)
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. 18	The Complainant, Maria Suarez , a Deputy Real Estate
19	Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation
20	against LOANGUY.com, a California Corporation and MITCHEL FRANK
21	LICHTERMAN, individually and as designated officer of
22	Loanguy.com, a California Corporation, alleges as follows:
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1 1. 2 The Complainant, Maria Suarez, acting in her 3 official capacity as a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the 4 State of California, makes this Accusation against LOANGUY.com, 5 a California Corporation ("LOANGUY") and MITCHEL FRANK 6 LICHTERMAN, individually as designated officer of LOANGUY.com, a 7 California Corporation ("LICHTERMAN"). 8 **Q** 2. 10 All references to the "Code" are to the California 11 Business and Professions Code and all references to 12 "Regulations" are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of 13 Regulations. 14 3. 15 LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN (sometimes hereinafter referred 16 to as Respondents) are presently licensed or have license rights 17 under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business 18 and Professions Code, hereinafter "Code"). 19 4. 20 At all time herein mentioned, LICHTERMAN was licensed 21 by the Department as the designated officer of LOANGUY to 22 23 qualify it and to act for it as a real estate broker and, as 24 provided by Code Section 10159.2, was responsible for the 25 supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of 26 LOANGUY by its officers, managers and employees as necessary to 27

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secure full compliance with the provisions of the Real Estate Law including the supervision of the salespersons licensed to the corporation in the performance of acts for which a real estate license is required. LOANGUY'S corporate real estate broker license was originally issued on June 17, 2000. LICHTERMAN was originally licensed as a real estate broker on December 6, 1995. LICHTERMAN has been the designated officer of LOANGUY since its inception.

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10 Whenever reference is made in an allegation in the 11 Accusation to an act or omission of LOANGUY, such allegation 12 shall be deemed to mean that the officers, directors, managers, 13 employees, agents and real estate licensees employed by or 14 associated with LOANGUY, including LICHTERMAN, committed such 15 act or omission while engaged in the furtherance of LOANGUY's 16 business or operation and while acting within the course and 17 scope of LOANGUY's corporate authority, agency and employment. 18

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At all times herein mentioned in the City of Los Angeles, California, LOANGUY engaged in the business as a real estate broker within the meaning of:

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A. Code Section 10131(a). LOANGUY operated as a
 residential and commercial real estate broker.

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1	B. Code Section 10131(d). LOANGUY operated as a	
2	mortgage and loan broker under the fictitious business names of	
3	Fort Knox Lending and Home Buyer Discount.com; and	
. 4	C. In addition, LOANGUY conducted broker-controlled	
5	escrows through its escrow division, Autolink Payment Services	
6	Escrow, under the exemption set forth in Section 17006(a)(4) of	
7	the California Financial Code for real estate brokers performing	
8	escrows incidental to a real estate transaction where the broker	
. 9	is a party and where the broker is performing acts for which a	
10	real estate license is required.	
11	FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION	
12 13	ESCROW AUDIT OF LOANGUY.com	
14	7.	
• 15	On June 17, 2004, the Department completed an audit	
16	examination of the books and records of LOANGUY pertaining to	
17	escrow activities of Autolink Payment Services Escrow, requiring	
18	a real estate license as described in Paragraph 6. The audit	
. 19	examination covered a period of time beginning on January 1,	
20	2003 to April 30, 2004. The audit examination revealed	
21	violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth below,	
. 22	and more fully discussed in Audit Report LA 030378 and the	
23	exhibits and workpapers attached to said audit report.	
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2	At all times material herein, in connection with the
3	activities described in Paragraph 6, above, Respondents LOANGUY
4	and LICHTERMAN accepted or received funds including funds in
5	trust (hereinafter "trust funds") from or on behalf of actual or
6	prospective parties to transactions handled by Respondents
7	LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN and thereafter made deposits and or
9	disbursements of such funds. From time to time herein mentioned
10	during the audit period, said trust funds were deposited and/or
11	maintained by Respondents LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN in the bank
12	account as follows:
13	"Loanguy.com dba Autolink Payment Services Escrow Trust Account
14	Account No. 050617637" ("escrow trust account") Mellon 1 st Business Bank
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In the course of activities described in Paragraphs 6 2 and 8 and above, and during the examination period described in Paragraph 7, Respondents LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN, acted in violation of the Code and the Regulations in that: 5

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misrepresented on the escrow instructions for (a) 6 LOANGUY's escrow division, Autolink Payment Services Escrow 7 8 ("APSE") that APSE was licensed by the California Department of 9 Insurance, in violation of Code Section 10176(a).

10 (b) as of April 30, 2004, the escrow trust account had 11 a shortage in the amount of approximately \$234,560.60. 12 Respondents LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN caused, permitted and/or 13 allowed, the withdrawal or disbursement of trust funds from the 14 escrow trust account, thereby reducing the balance of funds in 15 the account to an amount less than the aggregate trust fund. 16 liability of the broker to all owners of the trust funds without 17 prior written consent of every principal who then was an owner 18 of funds in the account, in violation of Code Section 10145 and 19 Regulations 2832.1, 2950(d), 2950(g) and 2951. 20

(c) Failed to maintain an adequate control record in 21 the form of a columnar record in chronological order of all 22 23 trust funds received, deposited into, and disbursed from the 24 escrow trust account, as required by Code Section 10145 and 25 Regulations 2831, 2950(d) and 2951.

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(d) Failed to maintain an adequate separate record for each beneficiary or transaction, thereby failing to account for all trust funds received, deposited into, and disbursed from the escrow trust account, as required by Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1, 2950(d) and 2951.

(e) Failed to perform a monthly reconciliation of the
balance of all separate beneficiary or transaction records
maintained pursuant to Regulation 2831.1 with the record of all
trust funds received and disbursed by the escrow trust account,
as required by Regulation 2831.2, 2950(d) and 2951.

(f) Permitted the withdrawal of trust funds from the escrow trust account by Fran Silkwood, former LOANGUY escrow officer, who was neither licensed by the Department nor bonded in an amount equal to or greater than the amount of trust funds subject to withdrawal by said person, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Sections 2834, 2950(d) and 2951 of the Regulations.

(g) The audit revealed that Respondents failed to advise all parties in writing of LOANGUY's ownership of Autolink Payment Services Escrow, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2950(h).

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2	The conduct of Respondent	LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN,
3	described in Paragraph 9, violated	the Code and the Regulations
4	as set forth below:	· .
5	PARAGRAPH	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
6	9(a)	Code Section 10176(a)
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8	9(a)	Code Section 10145 and Regulations 2832.1, 2950(d) 2950(g) and 2951
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10	9(c)	Code Section 10145 and Regulations 2831, 2950(d) and
12		2951
13	9 (d)	Code Section 10145 and Regulations 2831.1, 2950(d)
14		and 2951
15	9(e)	Code Section 10145 and
16		Regulations 2831.2, 2950(d) and 2951
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18	9(f)	Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2834, 2950(d) and
19		2951
20 21	9 (g)	Code Section 10145 and
21		Regulation 2950(h)
23	Each of the foregoing violations se	
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25	for the suspension or revocation of	
26	license rights of LOANGUY and LICHT	
27	Code Sections 10176(a), 10177(d) an	nd/or 10177(g).

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SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

MORTGAGE LOAN BROKER AUDIT OF LOANGUY.com

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On June 17, 2004, the Department completed an audit 4 examination of the books and records of LOANGUY pertaining to 5 mortgage loan broker activities of Autolink Payment Services б 7 Escrow ("APSE"), requiring a real estate license as described in 8 Paragraph 6. The audit examination covered a period of time 9 beginning on January 1, 2003 to April 30, 2004. The audit 10 examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations 11 as set forth below, and more fully discussed in Audit Report LA 12 030288 and the exhibits and workpapers attached to said audit 13 report. 14 12. 15 In the course of activities described in Paragraphs 6 16 and 8 and above, and during the examination period described in 17 Paragraph 11, Respondents the LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN, acted in 18 violation of the Code and the Regulations in that: 19 (a) Failed to cancel borrowers Scott & Janette 20 Zeitlin's refinance transaction for their real property within 21 three (3) business days of receiving timely notification to do 22 23 so, in violation of Code Sections 10240 and 10241 and Regulation 24 2840. 25 111 26 111

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(b) Failed to provide and/or maintain a statement in writing containing all the information required by Section 10241 of the Code to various borrowers including but not limited to Macknight, Ashkinazi, Johnson, OH and Bateman, before these borrowers became obligated to perform under the terms of their loans, as required by Code Sections 10240 and 10241 and Regulation 2840. Respondents failed to disclose LOANGUYS's license number and failed to state "THIS IS NOT A LOAN COMMITMENT."

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(c) Failed to display LOANGUY's corporation's license number on the Mortgage Loan Disclosure Statement Good Faith Estimates provided to borrowers Ashkinazi, Johnson, OH and Bateman, in violation of Code Section 10236.4.

(d) received advance fees from borrowers Zeitlin, Macknight, Ashkinazi and Bateman in the form of a \$500 fee to "lock-in" the interest rate for the refinance loans. Instead of depositing these advance fees into the escrow trust account, as required, LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN deposited these advance fees into LOANGUY's operating account thereby mixing and commingling broker funds with trust funds in violation of Code Sections 10146 and 10176(e) and Regulation 2972; and,

(e) failed to provide and/or maintain a statement in writing containing all the information required by Code Section 10085 and Regulation 2970 to various borrowers with respect to the receipt of advance fees from Macknight, Ashkinazi and 27

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2	borrowers, the "lock-in" interest a	cate, and a definite date of
3	full performance of the services p	comised, as required by Code
4	Section 10146.	·
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6	The conduct of Respondent	LOANGUY and LICHTERMAN,
7	described in Paragraph 9, violated	the Code and the Regulations
8	as set forth below:	
9	PARAGRAPH	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
10	12(a)	Code Sections 10240 and 10241
11		and Regulation 2840
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13	12(b)	Code Sections 10240 and 10241 and Regulation 2840
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15	12(c)	Code Section 10236.4
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18	12(d)	Code Section 10146 and
19		10176(e) and Regulation 2972
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21	12(e)	Code Section 10146
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23	Each of the foregoing violations se	eparately constitutes cause
24	for the suspension or revocation of	the real estate license and
25	license rights of LOANGUY and LICHT	
26	Code Sections 10176(e), 10177(d) ar	
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2	The overall conduct of Respondent LICHTERMAN		
3	constitutes a failure on his part, as officer designated by a		
4	corporate broker licensee, to exercise reasonable supervision		
5	and control over the licensed activities of LOANGUY as required		
6	by Code Section 10159.2, and to keep LOANGUY in compliance with		
7	the Real Estate Law, and is cause for the suspension or		
8	revocation of the real estate license and license rights of		
9	LICHTERMAN pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or		
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WHEREFORE, complainant prays that a hearing be 1 conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and, that upon 2 proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary 3 action against all licenses and licensing rights of Respondents 4 LOANGUY.com, a California Corporation and MITCHEL FRANK 5 LICHTERMAN, individually and as designated officer of 6 Loanguy.com, a California Corporation under the Real Estate Law 7 (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code) and 8 9 for such other and further relief as may be proper under other 10 applicable provisions of law. 11 Dated at Los Angeles, Califprnia 12 this 13 14 15 eputy Real Estate Commissioner 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 Loanguy.com a California Corporation CC: 23 c/o Mitchel Frank Lichterman 24 Maria Suarez Sacto 25 MA . Audits -Milad Farag 26 27 - 13 -