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| 12  | In the Matter of the Accusation against  ) No. H-03247 FR                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13  | SYNERGY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, ) ACCUSATION   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14  | and HARJINDER PAL SINGH, individually ) and as designated officer of Synergy Property ) |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Management,   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 16  | Respondents.  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 18  | The Complainant, Brenda Smith, a Supervising Special Investigator of the State          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19  | of California, for cause of Accusation against SYNERGY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT and          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20  | HARJINDER PAL SINGH, individually and as designated officer of Synergy Property         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21  | Management (sometimes referred to as "Respondents") alleges as follows:                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22  | 1.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23  | The Complainant, Brenda Smith, a Supervising Special Investigator of the State          |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24  | of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.                          |  |  |  |  |  |
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ACCUSATION

#### (HARJINDER PAL SINGH)

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- a. Respondent SINGH is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Code as a real estate broker, Department license ID 01402980.
- b. The Department originally issued SINGH a broker license on June 23, 2009. SINGH's license is scheduled to expire on June 22, 2021, unless renewed.
- c. SINGH is the designated officer of Respondent SPM and another corporate real estate broker, Hero Real Estate, Inc., Department ID 01902111.
- d. According to the Department records to date, SINGH employs one (1) salesperson, Kazim Raza Kazmi ("Kazmi") Department license ID 01409638, under SINGH's individual real estate broker license.
- e. Since October 4, 2010, SINGH has maintained the authorized fictitious business name "Hero Real Estate." Since August 26, 2014, SINGH has maintained the authorized fictitious business name "Nationwide Realty."

#### REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY

5.

At all times mentioned herein, Respondent SPM engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate broker, within the meaning of Section 10131(b) of the Code. SPM's activities included leasing or renting or offering to lease or rent, or placing for rent, or soliciting listings of places for rent, or soliciting for prospective tenants, or negotiating the sale, purchase or exchanges of leases on real property, or on a business opportunity, or collecting rents from real property on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of compensation.

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ACCUSATION

#### FIRST CAUSE FOR ACCUSATION

(AUDIT OF SYNERGY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT – AUDIT NO. FR170029)

6.

On or about July 6, 2018, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of SPM pertaining to the real estate activities described in Paragraph 5 above. The audit examination covered the period from January 1, 2017, through October 1, 2017 ("audit period"). The primary purpose of the examination was to determine SPM's compliance with the Real Estate Law and the Commissioner's Regulations. The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit No. FR170029 and the exhibits and work papers attached to said audit report.

7.

The Department auditor and special investigator met with SINGH and Advani on October 30, 2017, at SPM's main office address at 3400 Panama Lane in Bakersfield, California. According to Advani, SPM managed twenty-five (25) single-family homes, one (1) duplex, two (2) four-unit homes, and one (1) commercial building during the audit period. SPM collected rents, paid expenses, and charged a management fee of 5% to 7% of the rents collected.

8.

At all times mentioned herein, and in connection with the property management activities described in Paragraph 5 above, SPM accepted or received funds, including funds in trust ("trust funds") from or on behalf of the owners of the properties managed by SPM, and thereafter made deposits and/or disbursements of such funds. According to Advani, SPM maintained two (2) bank accounts for handling of the receipts and disbursements of rents during the audit period in connection with SPM's property management activity. The bank accounts are as follows:

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| 1  | Bank Account #1   |   |  |  |  |  |
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| 2  | Bank: Chase   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | Account Name: Synergy Property Management   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Account Number: xxxxxxxx1705  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | Signatories:  | Harjinder Pal Singh, Sanjeev Advani, and John Gonzalez (unlicensed by |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | the Department)   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Signatures required:  | One   |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | Purpose:  | SPM maintained Bank Account #1 for trust fund handling for property   |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | management activitie  | es.   |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | <u> </u>  | Bank Account #2   |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Bank:   | Chase   |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Account Name: Synergy Property Management   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Account Number: xxxxxxxx2252  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Signatories: Harjinder Pal Singh, Sanjeev Advani, and John Gonzalez (unlicensed b                 |   |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | the Department)   | the Department)   |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Signatures required:  | One   |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | Purpose:  | SPM maintained Bank Account #2 for trust fund handling for property   |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | management activities.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | Audit Violations in Audit No. FR170029  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | 9.  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations, as                     |   |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit No. FR170029 and the     |   |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | exhibits and work papers attached to the audit report:  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | (a) Trust Account Reconciliation (Regulations section 2831.2). Respondent                         |   |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | SPM failed to accurately reconcile the balance of all separate beneficiary or transaction records |   |  |  |  |  |
| 26 | with the record of all trust funds received and disbursed for Bank Account #1 and Bank            |   |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Account #2 in violation of Regulations section 2831.2   |   |  |  |  |  |
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| (b) | <b>Trust Fund</b> | Handling | (Code section | n 10145 and | l Regulations | section |
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2832.1). According to the bank records provided by SPM for Bank Account #1, as of September 30, 2017, Bank Account #1 had a shortage of <\$24.00> without evidence that the owners of the trust funds had given their written consent to allow SPM to reduce the balance of the funds in Bank Account #1 to an amount less than the existing aggregate trust fund liabilities in violation of Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2832.1.

# (c) <u>Trust Fund Handling – Account Designation (Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2832)</u>. Respondent SPM did not designate Bank Account #1 and Bank Account #2, accounts used to hold trust funds, as trust accounts in the name of SPM as trustee in violation of Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2832.

(d) <u>Trust Fund Handling and Trust Account Withdrawals (Code section</u>

10145 and Regulations section 2834). Based on an examination of the bank signature cards,
Respondent SPM allowed John Gonzalez, who is not licensed by the Department, to make
withdrawals on Bank Account #1 and Bank Account #2 while he was not licensed by the
Department in any capacity and not covered by fidelity bond during the audit period in violation
of Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2834.

# (e) Responsibility of Corporate Officer in Charge (Code section 10159.2).

Based on the violations set forth in Paragraphs 9(a)-(d), SINGH failed to exercise reasonable supervision over the activities of SPM's property management operation and over its employees, to ensure compliance with the Real Estate Laws and the Commissioner's Regulations in violation of Code section 10159.2.

10.

Each of the foregoing violations in Paragraphs 9(a)-(d) above constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and/or license rights of Respondent SPM under the provisions of Code sections 10177(d), and/or 10177(g).

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The conduct as set forth in Paragraph 9(e) above constitutes cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and/or license rights of Respondent SINGH under the provisions of Code sections 10177(d), 10177(g), and/or 10177(h).

### SECOND CAUSE FOR ACCUSATION

# (UNLICENSED ACTIVITY OF SYNERGY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT)

12.

From on or about August 3, 2016, through February 13, 2017, while incorporated by the California Secretary of State but unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM, and/or any other fictitious business name used by SPM, engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate broker, within the meaning of Code section 10131(b). SPM's activities included the leasing or renting of real property and the collection of rents and security deposits for real property on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of compensation ("property management").

13.

From on or about August 3, 2016, through January 19, 2017, while unlicensed by the Department, SPM entered into numerous property management agreements with owners of real property and entered into numerous lease agreement with tenants in expectation of compensation. During this period, SPM accepted trust funds in the form of rents and security deposits for said lease agreements, and accepted trust fund reserves from owners upon execution of the property management agreements.

# 3004 Stoney Peak Lane

14.

On or about August 3, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real property located at 3004 Stoney Peak Lane in Bakersfield, California. The term of the agreement was from August 3, 2016, through September 1, 2017. Although page 1 of the agreement listed

"Hero Real Estate," the fictitious business name for Respondent SINGH, as the broker,
Paragraph 20 on page 13 of the agreement stated, "SPECIAL PROVISIONS: Synergy Property
Management reserves the right to charge a close out fee on property management services, not
to exceed \$150.00." Moreover, the letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property
Management."

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On or about October 14, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Residential Lease Agreement, as the agent for 3004 Stoney Peak Lane with the new tenants for the tenancy term commencing on October 14, 2016, through November 1, 2017. The prorated amount for the first month's rent was \$774.19. SPM's general ledger for Bank Account #1 provided to the Department auditor showed an entry for \$774.19 dated October 14, 2016, for 3004 Stoney Peak Lane with the description "Rent Income."

16.

On or about October 19, 2016, Respondent SPM collected a commission and placement fee of \$199.00, and a management fee of \$54.19 for 3004 Stoney Peak Lane. On or about November 9, 2016, SPM collected a management fee of \$111.17.

#### 5208 Barley Harvest Avenue

17.

On or about September 12, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real property located at 5208 Barley Harvest Avenue in Bakersfield, California. The term of the agreement was from September 12, 2016, through September 12, 2017. Although page 1 of the agreement listed "Hero Real Estate," the fictitious business name for Respondent SINGH, as the broker, Paragraph 20 on page 12 of the agreement stated, "SPECIAL PROVISIONS: Synergy Property Management reserves the right to charge a close out fee on property management services, not to exceed \$150.00." Moreover, the letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property Management." SINGH signed the agreement as the broker.

Respondent SPM entered into a Residential Lease Agreement, as the agent for 5208 Barley

On or about November 18, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department,

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Harvest Avenue with the new tenants for the tenancy term commencing on November 18, 2016, through December 1, 2017. The prorated amount for the first month's rent was \$715.00. SPM's general ledger for Bank Account #1 provided to the Department auditor showed an entry for \$715.00 dated November 18, 2016, for 5208 Barley Harvest Avenue with the description "Rent Income." 2817 Crescent Ridge Street

19.

On or about September 27, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Residential Lease Agreement, as the agent for 2817 Crescent Ridge Street with the new tenant for the tenancy term commencing on September 27, 2016, through October 1, 2017. The prorated amount for the first month's rent was \$180.00 and the monthly rent was \$1,350.00. SPM's general ledger for Bank Account #1 provided to the Department auditor showed an entry for \$180.00 dated September 27, 2016, for 2817 Crescent Ridge Street with the description "Rent Income" and an entry of \$1,350.00 dated September 27, 2016, with the description "Prepaid Rent Income."

# 8215 Prentice Hall Drive

20.

On or about October 7, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real property located at 8215 Prentice Hall Drive in Bakersfield, California. Although page 1 of the agreement listed "Hero Real Estate," as the broker, Paragraph 20 on page 12 of the agreement stated, "SPECIAL PROVISIONS: Synergy Property Management reserves the right to charge a close out fee on property management services, not to exceed \$150.00." Moreover, the

letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property Management." SINGH signed the agreement as the broker.

21.

On or about November 18, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Residential Lease Agreement, as the agent for 8215 Prentice Hall Drive with the new tenant for the tenancy term commencing on November 18, 2016, through December 1, 2017. The prorated amount for the first month's rent was \$758.33 and the monthly rent was \$1,750.00. The tenant issued a check, check number 1078, in the amount of \$758.33 payable to SPM. The memo line on the check stated "Nov. Partial Rent." SPM's general ledger for Bank Account #1 provided to the Department auditor showed an entry for \$758.33.00 dated November 18, 2016, for 8215 Prentice Hall Drive with the description "Rent Income."

#### 8110 McGraw Hill Drive

22.

On or about November 14, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real property located at 8110 McGraw Hill Drive in Bakersfield, California. The term of the agreement was from November 15, 2016, through November 15, 2017. Page 1 of the agreement listed SPM as the broker. The letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property Management" and SINGH signed as the broker.

#### 2623 Van Buren Place

23.

On or about November 17, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department,
Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real
property located at 2623 Van Buren Place in Bakersfield, California. The term of the agreement
was from November 18, 2016, through November 18, 2017. Page 1 of the agreement listed

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SPM as the broker. The letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property Management." 1 2 Advani and SINGH signed as the broker. 3 24. On or about January 19, 2017, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent 4 SPM entered into a Residential Lease Agreement as the agent for 2623 Van Buren Place with 5 the new tenants for the tenancy term commencing on January 19, 2017, through January 31, 6 7 2018. SINGH executed the agreement as the property manager. 8 4423 Silver Maple Court 9 25. 10 On or about November 20, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real 11 property located at 4423 Silver Maple Court in Bakersfield, California. The term of the 12 agreement was November 21, 2016, through November 21, 2017. Page 1 of the agreement 13 listed SPM as the broker. The letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property 14 Management" and SINGH signed as the broker. 15 16 5511 Trabucco Canyon Drive 17 26. On or about January 18, 2017, while unlicensed by the Department, Respondent 18 SPM entered into a Property Management Agreement with the owner of the real property 19 20 located at 5511 Trabucco Canyon Drive in Bakersfield, California. The term of the agreement was from January 18, 2017, through January 18, 2018. Page 1 of the agreement listed SPM as 21 the broker. The letterhead of the agreement listed "Synergy Property Management" and SINGH 22 23 signed as the broker. 24 27. 25 For an unknown period of time, including October 31, 2016, and November 21, 2016, while unlicensed by the Department, SPM advertised online at www.synergy-pm.com. 26

The logo at the top of the main website page identified the business as "Synergy Property

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Management." On October 31, 2016, SPM's website stated, "Synergy Property Management is a full-service property management and real estate investment team based in Bakersfield, California. More than a typical property management company, the Synergy team works in both commercial and residential real estate providing individualized services to meet the needs of our clients." On that same date, SPM's website offered for rent the properties located at 8215 Prentice Hall Drive, 5208 Barley Harvest, and 5913 Brooklyn in Bakersfield, California. On November 21, 2016, SPM's website offered for rent the properties located at 8110 McGraw Hill Drive and 5913 Brooklyn in Bakersfield, California.

28.

At all times mentioned above in Paragraphs 12 through 27, Respondent SPM was not licensed in any capacity by the Department. SPM conducted the real estate activities alleged above in Paragraphs 12 through 27, and expected compensation for such activities in violation of Code sections 10130 and 10131.

29.

Each of the foregoing violations above in Paragraphs 12 through 27 constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and/or license rights of Respondent SPM under the provisions of Code sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

# THIRD CAUSE FOR ACCUSATION

(AUDIT OF SINGH – AUDIT NO. FR170032)

30.

At all times mentioned herein, Respondent SINGH engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate broker, within the meaning of Section 10131(b) of the Code. SINGH's activities included leasing or renting or offering to lease or rent, or placing for rent, or soliciting listings of places for rent, or soliciting for prospective tenants, or negotiating the sale, purchase or exchanges of leases on real property, or on a business opportunity, or collecting rents from real property on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of compensation.

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On or about July 31, 2018, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of Respondent SINGH, doing business as Nationwide Realty, pertaining to his property management activities described in Paragraph 30 above. The audit examination covered the period of time from January 1, 2017, through April 1, 2018 ("audit period"). The primary purpose of the examination was to determine SINGH's compliance with the Real Estate Law and the Commissioner's Regulations. The examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit Report No. FR170032 and the exhibits and work papers attached to said audit report.

32.

The Department auditor met with SINGH, Kazim Raza Kazmi, and Erika Hernandez ("Hernandez"). Kazmi is licensed by the Department as a real estate salesperson, and is the owner of Nationwide Realty. Kazmi's employing broker is SINGH. Hernandez is the office manager for SINGH. According to SINGH, Kazmi, and Hernandez, SINGH, doing business as Nationwide Realty, provided property management services during the audit period. SINGH managed 452 units consisting of 452 properties for approximately 327 owners.

33.

At all times mentioned herein, and in connection with the property management activity described in Paragraph 30 above, SINGH accepted or received funds, including trust funds from or on behalf of the owner of the real property managed by SINGH, and thereafter made deposits and/or disbursements of such funds. From time-to-time during the audit period, said trust funds were deposited and/or maintained in the following bank accounts. According to SINGH, he maintained two (2) trust accounts during the audit period in connection with his property management activities. The bank accounts are as follows:

| 1.  | Trust 1  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2   | Bank:  | Chase  |  |  |  |  |
| 3   | Account Name: Nationwide Realty Trust Account  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4   | Account Number:  | xxxxxxx2609  |  |  |  |  |
| 5   | Signatories: Harjinder Pal Singh, Kazim Raza Kazmi   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6   | Purpose:   | SINGH maintained Trust 1 to handle trust funds related to property |  |  |  |  |
| 7   | management activiti  | es only.   |  |  |  |  |
| 8   |  | Trust 2  |  |  |  |  |
| 9   | Bank:  | Chase  |  |  |  |  |
| 10  | Account Name:  | Nationwide Realty Trust Account                                    |  |  |  |  |
| 11  | Account Number:  | xxxxxxxx8706   |  |  |  |  |
| 12  | Signatories: Harjinder Pal Singh, Kazim Raza Kazmi   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.3 | Purpose: SINGH maintained Trust 2 to handle trust funds related to property                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14  | management activities only.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15  | Audit Violations in Audit No. FR170032   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16  | 34.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17  | The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations, as                |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18  | set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit Report No. FR170032 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19  | and the exhibits and work papers attached to the audit report:                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20  | (a) Trust Fund Accountability and Balances (Code section 10145 and                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21  | Regulations sections 2832.1). Based on the bank records provided, the auditor prepared bank  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22  | reconciliations for Trust 1 for January 31, 2018, February 28, 2018, and March 31, 2018. The |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23  | auditor compared the adjusted bank statement to the accountability amount and discovered the |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24  | following shortages:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25  | Trust 1:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26  | Shortage as of Januar  | y 31, 2018: <\$101,777.57>   |  |  |  |  |
| 27  | Shortage as of Februa  | ry 28, 2018: <\$94,000.14>   |  |  |  |  |
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The auditor was unable to identify the cause(s) of the trust fund shortages. There is no evidence that SINGH obtained the written consent of every principal who is an owner of the funds in Trust 1 prior to each disbursement when such disbursement would reduce the balance of funds in the account to an amount less than the existing aggregate trust fund liability of SINGH to all owners of the funds in violation of Regulations section 2832.1.

- (b) <u>Trust Fund Record Keeping (Regulations section 2831)</u>. Based on the records provided for Trust 1 and Trust 2, SINGH failed to maintain adequate control records for Trust 1 and Trust 2. The columnar records did not contain all the information regarding all the deposits, disbursements, and ongoing balances for Trust 1 and Trust 2. SINGH did not maintain an adequate control record for all trust funds received and disbursed for Trust 1 and Trust 2 in violation of Regulations section 2831.
- (c) Trust Fund Record Keeping for Separate Beneficiaries (Regulations section 2831.1). Based on the records provided for Trust 1 and Trust 2, SINGH did not maintain adequate separate records for Trust 1 and Trust 2. The owner statements for Trust 1 and the columnar record for Trust 2 did not contain all the information regarding all the deposits, disbursements, and ongoing balances for each property. SINGH failed to maintain adequate separate records for all trust funds received and disbursed for each property for Trust 1 and Trust 2 in violation of Regulations section 2831.1.
- (d) <u>Trust Fund Reconciliation (Regulations section 2831.2)</u>. Based on the records provided for Trust 1 and Trust 2, SINGH failed to reconcile the balance of all of the separate beneficiaries or transaction records with the record of all trust funds received and disbursed as required for Trust 1 and Trust 2 in violation of Regulations section 2831.2.

35.

Each of the foregoing violations in Paragraph 34(a)-(d) constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and/or license rights of Respondent SINGH under the provisions of Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

# COSTS (AUDIT COSTS) 36.

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Section 10148(b) of the Code, provides, in pertinent part, that the Real Estate Commissioner shall charge a real estate broker for the costs of any audit if the Commissioner has found in a final decision, following a disciplinary hearing, that the broker has violated Section 10145 of the Code or a regulation or rule of the Commissioner interpreting said Code section.

# (INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT COSTS)

37.

Section 10106 of the Code, provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the Department, the Commissioner may request the administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation of this part to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement of the case. /// /// /// ///

| 1   | WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the                             |  |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
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| 2   | allegations of this Accusation and that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing |  |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
| 3   | discip  | disciplinary action against all the licenses and/or license rights of Respondents SYNERGY        |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
| 4   | PROI  | PERTY MANA   | AGEMENT      | and HAR | ZJINDER   | PAL SINGH                | , individually  | and as des | signated |
| 5   | office  | officer of Synergy Property Management under the Real Estate Law, for the costs of               |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
| 6   | inves   | investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, for the cost of the audit, and for such other |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
| 7   | and fi  | and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.                    |              |         |           |                          |                 |            |          |
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