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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

To:

No. H-37556 LA

NIGHTSTAR CONSULTING,
US FORECLOSURE RELIEF
ORGANIZATION and ALI
MANESH

(B&P Code Section 10086)

The Commissioner ("Commissioner") of the California Department of Real Estate ("Department") caused an investigation to be made of the activities of NIGHTSTAR CONSULTING ("NIGHTSTAR"), US FORECLOSURE RELIEF ORGANIZATION ("USFRO") and ALI MANESH ("MANESH"). Based on that investigation the Commissioner has determined that NIGHTSTAR, USFRO and MANESH have engaged in, or are engaging in, acts, or are attempting to engage in the business of, acting in the capacity of, and/or advertising or assuming to act as real estate brokers in the State of California within the meaning of Business and Professions Code Sections 10131(d) (negotiating loans, or collecting payments, or performing services for borrowers in connection with loans secured by real property) and 10131.2 (advance fee handling).

In addition, based on that investigation, the Commissioner has determined that

1 NIGHTSTAR, USFRO and MANESH have engaged in, or are engaging in, acts, or is attempting 2 to engage in practices constituting violations of the California Business and Professions Code 3 ("Code") and/or Title 10, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations"). Based on the findings 4 of that investigation, set forth below, the Commissioner hereby issues the following Findings of 5 Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Desist and Refrain Order under the authority of Section 10086 of б the Code. 7 **FINDINGS OF FACT** 8 1. NIGHTSTAR, USFRO and MANESH are not now, nor have they ever 9 been, licensed by the Department in any capacity. 10 2. At the times set forth below NIGHTSTAR, USFRO and MANESH 11 negotiated to do one or more of the following acts for another or others, for or in expectation of 12 compensation: engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, or advertised a loan 13 modification and negotiation service and advance fee brokerage with respect to loans which were 14 secured by liens on real property for compensation or in expectation of compensation and for fees collected in advance of the transaction. 15 16 Keith J. Transaction 17 3. In or about July 15, 2008, Keith J. entered into an agreement in which 18 USFRO would negotiate a modification of Keith J.'s home mortgage loan in exchange for 19 payment of an advance fee. Also on July 15, 2008, Keith J. submitted \$5985 to NIGHTSTAR as 20 advance fees for a loan modification. After Keith J. enterred into this advance fee agreement, 21 MANESH informed Keith J. that MANESH would negotiate the loan modification with Keith 22 J.'s lender. 23 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 24 4. Based on the information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 3 above, 25 NIGHTSTAR, USFRO and MANESH violated Code Section 10130 by engaging in activities

requiring a broker license without first obtaining a broker license from the Department.

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DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER

Based upon the FINDINGS OF FACT and CONCLUSIONS OF LAW stated herein, it is hereby ordered that NIGHTSTAR CONSULTING, US FORECLOSURE RELIEF ORGANIZATION and ALI MANESH, whether doing business under their own names, or any other names, or any fictitious names, are hereby ordered to immediately desist and refrain from performing any acts within the State of California for which a real estate broker license is required. In particular, they are ORDERED TO DESIST AND REFRAIN from:

- 1. charging, demanding, claiming, collecting and/or receiving advance fees, as that term is defined in Section 10026 of the Code, in any form, and under any conditions, with respect to the performance of loan modification or any other form of mortgage loan forbearance services in connection with loans on residential property containing four or fewer dwelling units; and
- 2. charging, demanding, claiming, collecting and/or receiving advance fees, as that term is defined in Section 10026 of the Code, for any of the other real estate related services offered to others.

BARBARA J. BIGBY Acting Real Estate Commissioner

Notice: Business and Professions Code Section 10139 provides that "Any person acting as a real estate broker or real estate salesperson without a license or who advertises using words indicating that he or she is a real estate broker without being so licensed shall be guilty of a public offense punishable by a fine not exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), or by

imprisonment in the county jail for a term not to exceed six months, or by both fine and imprisonment; or if a corporation, be punished by a fine not exceeding sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)."

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