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STATE OF CALIFORNIA BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS

TO: **Broadmore Ventures** The Loan Shop **Express Cash Xpress Cash** Westbury Ventures Plaza Processing **ASAP** PD6 Ventures **DMS Marketing** LTS Management 2756 N. Green Valley Parkway, Suite 871 Henderson, Nevada 89014 and 10120 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 200 Henderson, Nevada 89052

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER

(For violations of California Financial Code sections 23005, 23036 and 23037)

The California Corporations Commissioner ("Commissioner") finds that:

- 1. Broadmore Ventures, The Loan Shop, Express Cash, Xpress Cash, Westbury Ventures, Plaza Processing, ASAP, PD6 Ventures, DMS Marketing, LTS Management and its affiliates (all hereinafter referred to as "Broadmore") operate at 2756 N. Green Valley Parkway, Suite 871, Henderson, Nevada 99014 and at 10120 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 200, Henderson, Nevada 89052.
- 2. The Commissioner of the Department of Corporations ("Department") is mandated to enforce the California Deferred Deposit Transaction Law ("CDDTL") found respectively in California Financial Code section 23000 et seq. The Commissioner has not issued a license to Broadmore to engage in the business of deferred deposit transactions pursuant to California Financial Code section 23005 et seq. Broadmore is not exempt from the licensing requirement of the CDDTL.
 - 3. Since at least April 2005 Broadmore has engaged in the business of deferred deposit

transactions by offering, originating and making deferred deposit transactions as described below.

- 4. A deferred deposit transaction is a written transaction whereby one person gives funds to another person upon receipt of a personal check and it is agreed that the personal check shall not be deposited until a later date. These loans are sometimes referred to as "payday advances" or "payday loans."
- 5. California consumers received unsolicited advertisements from Broadmore offering potential customers funds of approximately \$300 until their next payday.
- 6. Broadmore would arrange for an electronic deposit of funds to the consumer's respective bank account and Broadmore had access to withdraw the \$300 plus their fee on the due date of the deferred deposit transaction.
- 7. However, when the day due on the deferred deposit transaction came due Broadmore would not withdraw the agreed upon repayment from the consumer's bank account, even though adequate funds were available to do so. Instead Broadmore would withdraw \$90, which they stated consisted of their \$45 fee and a \$45 interest change. Broadmore would make successive withdrawals of \$90 from the consumer's account. In some cases Broadmore would take \$90 twice in the same day from customers. One customer had 16 withdrawals made from his bank account for a total of \$1,440 during a three-month period. A customer who obtained two \$300 payday loans from Broadmore repaid them a total of \$2,040. It was necessary for Broadmore's customers to close their bank account to prevent repeat unauthorized withdrawals. Broadmore would not respond to consumer complaints and continued to overcharge them. Broadmore's representatives including, but not limited to, Kiria Cummings, Michelle Hargrove, William Mashburn, Tom Rothrock, William Schlappi, would contact consumers or their employers, impose deadlines for payment via Money Gram or Automatic Clearing House (ACH) and threaten consumers with legal action.
- 8. To date the Department has no record of Broadmore or anyone else ever filing on Broadmore's behalf for a CDDTL license from the Department.
- 9. Broadmore engaged in deferred deposit business without a license from the Commissioner and engaged in deferred deposit transactions that violated various statutory

provisions of the CDDTL including charging excessive fees in violation of California Financial Code sections 23036 and 23037.

By reason of the foregoing, Broadmore Ventures, The Loan Shop, Express Cash, Xpress Cash, Westbury Ventures, Plaza Processing, ASAP, PD6 Ventures, DMS Marketing, LTS Management and affiliates have engaged in the business of deferred deposit transactions without having first obtained a license from the Commissioner and have engaged in deferred deposit transactions in violation of California Financial Code sections 23005, 23036 and 23037.

California Financial Code section 23050 states:

Whenever, in the opinion of the commissioner, any person is engaged in the business of deferred deposit transactions, as defined in this division, without a license from the commissioner, or any licensee is violating any provision of this division, the commissioner may order that person or licensee to desist and to refrain from engaging in the business or further violating this division. If within 30 days, after the order is served, a written request for a hearing is filed and ho hearing is held within 30 days thereafter, the order is rescinded.

Pursuant to Financial Code section 23050, Broadmore Ventures, The Loan Shop, Express Cash, Xpress Cash, Westbury Ventures, Plaza Processing, ASAP, PD6 Ventures, DMS Marketing, LTS Management and affiliates are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from engaging in the business of deferred deposit transactions in the State of California without licensure or exemption and from violations of California Financial Code sections 23036 and 23037. This Order is necessary for the protection of consumers and consistent with the purposes, policies and provisions of the CDDTL. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commissioner.

Dated: July 27, 2007 Los Angeles, California

> PRESTON DuFAUCHARD California Corporations Commissioner

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