

1 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
2 **BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY**
3 **DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS**

4 **TO: Atlantis Investment Group**
5 **Mark Youssef**
6 www.atlantis-investments.com
7 5610 Seifert Avenue
8 San Jose, CA 95118-3538

9 **DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER**
10 **(For violations of sections 25110 of the California Corporations Code)**

11 The California Corporations Commissioner finds that:

- 12 1. At all relevant times, Atlantis Investment Group (herein “Atlantis”) is or was a California
13 business entity of unknown formation with its principal place of business located at 5610 Seifert
14 Avenue, San Jose, CA, 95118, and doing business primarily in California. Atlantis purports to be an
15 investment company which invests the money of those who are looking to invest in a variety of
16 opportunities in the real estate, diamond, gold, copper dust and oil industries for a monthly profit.
17 Atlantis also purports to be a consulting group to individuals and businesses in the private, corporate
18 or real estate business development sectors.
- 19 2. At all relevant times, Mark Youssef (herein “Youssef”) is a representative of Atlantis.
20 Specifically, Youssef did or does represent to others that he is the president and chief executive
21 officer of Atlantis.
- 22 3. Beginning in or about 2007, Youssef and Atlantis, offered and/or sold securities in the form of
23 investment contracts.
- 24 4. The purported purpose of the offerings was to acquire money from persons interested in
25 investment opportunities yielding a monthly profit. Investors would eventually recoup their capital
26 investment and receive a return, based on their investment interest, from any profits derived from
27 these investments.
- 28 5. Beginning in or about 2007, Youssef and Atlantis offered and sold the above described
29 securities in California to investors by way of making general solicitations through the internet in

1 California at www.atlantis-investments.com and publishing advertisements on various internet
2 websites including craigslist.org.

3 6. These securities were offered or sold in California in issuer transactions. The Department of
4 Corporations has not issued a permit or other form of qualification authorizing any person to offer
5 and sell these securities in California.

6 Based on the foregoing findings, the California Corporations Commissioner finds that the
7 investment contracts offered and sold by Atlantis Investment Group and Mark Youssef are securities
8 subject to qualification under the California Corporations Code. These securities are or have been
9 offered and sold without being qualified or exempt, in violation of Section 25110 of the California
10 Corporations Code.

11 Pursuant to Section 25532 of the California Corporations Code, Atlantis Investment Group
12 and Mark Youssef are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in the State
13 of California of securities, including but not limited to investment contracts, unless and until
14 qualification has been made under the law or unless exempt. This Order is necessary, in the public
15 interest, for the protection of investors and consistent with the purposes, policies, and provisions of
16 the California Corporations Code.

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18 Dated: July 24, 2008
19 Sacramento, California

20 PRESTON DUFAUCHARD
21 California Corporations Commissioner

22 By _____
23 ALAN S. WEINGER
24 Acting Deputy Commissioner
25 Enforcement Division
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