UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

AGREEMENT CONTAINING CONSENT ORDER

FILE NO: 072 3004

The Federal Trade Commission has conducted an investigation of certain acts and practices of Premier Capital Lending, Inc. ("PCL") and its principal, Debra Stiles ("proposed respondents"). Proposed respondents are willing to enter into an agreement containing a consent order resolving the allegations contained in the attached draft complaint. Therefore

IT IS HEREBY AGREED by and between PCL, Debra Stiles, and counsel for the Federal Trade Commission that:

- 1. Proposed respondent PCL is a Texas Corporation with its principal place of business at 901 W. Bardin Road, Suite 200, Arlington, Texas 76017.
- 2. Proposed respondent Debra Stiles ("Stiles") is a co-owner of PCL, Secretary of the company, and Manager of its headquarters office in Arlington, Texas. Individually or in concert with others, she formulates, directs, or controls the policies, acts, or practices of respondent PCL. Her principal place of business is the same as PCL's.
- 3. Proposed respondents admit all the jurisdictional facts set forth in the draft complaint.
- 4. Proposed respondents waive:
 - A. any further procedural steps;
 - B. the requirement that the Commissions decision contain a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law; and
 - C. all rights to seek judicial review or otherwise to challenge or contest the validity of the order entered pursua

- 5. This agreement shall not become part of the public record of the proceeding unless and until it is accepted by the Commission. If this agreement is accepted by the Commission, it, together with the draft complaint, will be placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days and information about it publicly released. The Commission thereafter may either withdraw its acceptance of this agreement and so notify proposed respondents, in which event it will take such action as it may consider appropriate, or issue and serve its complaint (in such form as the circumstances may require) and decision in disposition of the proceeding.
- 6. This agreement is for settlement purposes only and does not constitute an admission by proposed respondents that the law has been violated as a

identifier, such as a customer number held in a "cookie" or processor serial number, that is combined with other available data that identifies an individual consumer; or (h) any information that is combined with any of (a) through (g) above.

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unauthorized disclosure, misuse, loss, alteration, destruction, or other compromise of such information, and assessment of the sufficiency of any safe

generally accepted in the profession. The reporting period for the Assessments shall cover: (A) the first one hundred and eighty (180) days after service of the order for the initial Assessment; and (B) each two (2) year period thereafter for twenty (20) years after service of the order for the biennial Assessments. Each Assessment shall:

- A. set forth the specific administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that respondent PCL has implemented and maintained during the reporting period;
- B. explain how such safeguards are appropriate to respondent PCL's size and complexity, the nature and scope of respondent PCL's activities, and the sensitivity of the personal information collected from or about consumers;
- C. explain how the safeguards that have been implemented meet or exceed the protections required by the Safeguards Rule; and
- D. certify that respondent PCL's security program is operating with sufficient effectiveness to provide reasonable assurance that the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information is protected and, for biennial reports, has so operated throughout the reporting period.

Each Assessment shall be prepared and completed within sixty (60) days after the end of the reporting period to which the Assessment applies by: a person qualified as a Certified Information System Security Professional (CISSP) or as a Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA); a person holding Global Information Assurance Certification (GIAC) from the SysAdmin, Audit, Network, Security (SANS) Institute; or a similarly qualified person or organization approved by the Associate Director for Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission.

Respondents shall provide the initial Assessment to the Associate Director for Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580, within ten (10) business days after the Assessment has been prepared. All subsequent biennial Assessments shall be retained by respondents until three years after completion of the final Assessment and provided to the Associate Director of Enforcement upon request within ten (10) business days after respondents receives such request.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents shall maintain, and upon request make available to the Federal Trade Commission for inspection and copying, a print or electronic copy of each document relating to compliance, including by not limited to:

- A. for a period of five (5) years:

order;

- 2. consumer complaints (whether received in written or electronic form, directly, indirectly or through any third party), and any responses to those complaints, whether in written or electronic form, that relate to respondents' activities as alleged in the draft Complaint and respondents' compliance with the provisions of this order;
- 3. copies of all subpoenas and other communications with law enforcement entities or personnel, whether in written or electronic form, if such documents bear in any respect on respondents' collection, maintenance, or furnishing of consumer reports or other personal information of consumers; and
- 4. all records and documents necessary to demonstrate full compliance with each provision of this order; and
- B. for a period of three (3) years after the date of preparation of each Assessment required under Part III of this order, all materials relied upon to prepare the Assessment, whether prepared by or on behalf of either respondent, including but not limited to all plans, reports, studies, reviews, audits, audit trails, policies, training materials, and assessments, and any other materials relating to respondents' compliance with Parts II and III.A. of this order, for the compliance

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents shall notify the Commission at least thirty (30) days prior to any change in the corporation(s) that may affect compliance obligations arising under this order, including, but not limited to: a dissolution, assignment, sale, merger, or other action that would result in the emergence of a successor corporation; the creation or dissolution of a subsidiary, parent, or affiliate that engages in any acts or practices subject to this order; the proposed filing of a bankruptcy petition; or a change in the corporate name or address. <u>Provided, however</u>, that, with respect to any proposed change in the corporation(s) about which respondents learn fewer than thirty (30) days prior to the date such action is to take place, respondents shall notify the Commission as soon as is practicable after obtaining such knowledge. All notices required by this Part shall be sent by certified mail to the Associate Director, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580.

IX.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents shall, within one hundred and eighty (180) days after service of this order, and at such other times as the Commission may require, file with the Commission a report, in writing, setting forth in detail the manner and form in which they have complied with this order.

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This order will terminate twenty (20) years from the date of its issuance, or twenty (20) years from the most recent date that the United States or the Commission files a complaint (with or without an accompanying consent decree) in federal court alleging any violation of the order, whichever comes later; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the filing of such a complaint will not affect the duration of:

- A. any Part in this order that terminates in fewer than twenty (20) years;
- B. this order's application to any respondent that is not named as a defendant in such complaint; and
- C. this order if such complaint is filed after the order has terminated pursuant to this Part.

<u>Provided, further</u>, that if such complaint is dismissed or a federal court rules that respondent(s) did not violate any provision of the order, and the dismissal or ruling is either not appealed or upheld on appeal, then the order as to such respondent(s) will terminate according to this Part as though the complaint had never been filed, except that the order will not terminate between the date such complaint is filed and the later of the deadline for appealing such dismissal or ruling and the date such dismissal or ruling is upheld on appeal.

Signed this _____ day of _____ 2008.

PREMIER CAPITAL LENDING, INC.

By: KEN STILES, President

PREMIER CAPITAL LENDING, INC., and **DEBRA STILES**

By:

DEBRA STILES, Secretary

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

By:

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