Jennifer S. Diamond, Illinois ARDC No. 6278482 Susan J. Gradman, Illinois ARDC No. 6225060 Rosemary Hollinger, Illinois ARDC No. 03123647 FILED U.S. DISTRICT COURT United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission 525 West Monroe Street, Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60661 Telephone (312) 596-0549-JD General Number (312) 596-0700 5 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA Facsimile (312) 596-0714 **Priority** Send jdiamond@cftc.gov; sgradman@cftc.gov Enter Closed JS-5/JS-6 Local Counsel: JS-2/JS-3 Kent Kawakami, CA Bar No. 149803 United States Attorney's Office, Central District Of California 300 North Los Angeles Street Room 7516 Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 894-4858 10 ORIGINAL Facsimile (213) 894-2380 11 Kent Kawakami@usdoj.gov Adjorneys for Plaintiff, United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission 12 13 APR 2.7 20007 NITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA CENTRAL JISTANCT OF CALIFORNIA WESTERN DIVISION AMOINT X FUTURES NOISSIMMONES Plaintiff. Case No. CV05 2660 CAS (JWJx) 18 VS. Judge: Christina A. Snyder Monica Šue Schicra, also known as 20 Monica Schiera-Main and Monica S. (Proposed) Montes; Brian Main; Gemancer, Inc., a 21 CONSENT ORDER OF Nevada Corporation; Gemancer II, Inc., PERMANENT INJUNCTION 22 a Nevada Corporation; and Trade Pro. AND OTHER EQUITABLE 23 Inc., a California Corporation, RELIEF AGAINST Defendants: and DEFENDANTS 24 MONICA SCHIERA MAIN AND Moni Inc., a Nevada Corporation; Body 25 **BRIAN MAIN** Blasters, a California Corporation; Ria 26 Riviera, Inc., a Nevada Corporation; TIME: Success Direct, a Nevada Corporation: 27 DATE: and Tri Lynx, Inc., a Nevada PLACE: 28 Corporation. No Hearing Required Relief Defendants.

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CONSENT ORDER OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION AND OTHER ANCILLARY RELIEF AGAINST DEFENDANTS MONICA SCHIERA MAIN AND BRIAN MAIN

On, April 12, 2005, Plaintiff Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"), filed a Complaint against Monica Schiera Main ("Schiera Main"), her husband, Brian Main ("Main"), and three entities they formed and have operated as a common enterprise - Gemancer, Inc. ("Gemancer I"), Gemancer II, Inc. ("Gemancer II"), and Trade Pro, Inc. ("Trade Pro") (all three, collectively, "Gemancer Common Enterprise")-seeking injunctive and other equitable relief, as well as the imposition of civil penalties, for violations of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended ("CEA"), 7 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq. (2002) and the Commission Regulations promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. §§ 1 et. seq. (2004). The Complaint also named Moni, Inc. ("Moni"), Ria Riviera, Inc. ("Ria Riviera"), Body Blasters, Inc. ("Body Blasters"), Success Direct, Inc. ("Success Direct"), and Try Lynx, Inc. ("Tri Lynx") as Relief Defendants since they received funds or otherwise benefited from funds that are allegedly directly traceable to the funds obtained from Defendants through fraud. The Court entered an ex parte statutory restraining order against Defendants and Relief Defendants on April 12, 2005 and a Consent Order of Preliminary Injunction and Other Ancillary Relief against the Defendants on April 22, 2005.

L Consents And Agreements

To effect settlement of the matters alleged in the Complaint against Defendants Schiera Main and Main without a trial on the merits or any further judicial proceedings, Defendants Schiera Main and Main:

1. Consent to the entry of this Consent Order of Permanent Injunction and Other Equitable Relief ("Order").

- 2. Affirm that they have agreed to this Order voluntarily, and that no promise or threat has been made by the Commission or any member, officer, agent or representative thereof, or by any other person, to induce consent to this Order, other than as set forth specifically herein.
 - 3. Acknowledge service of the Summons and Complaint.
- 4. Admit jurisdiction of this Court over them, admit that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action, and admit that venue properly lies with this Court pursuant to Section 6c of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1.
 - 5. Waive:
 - (a) the entry of findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Rule 52 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, except as set forth below;
 - (b) all claims which they may possess under the Equal Access to
 Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 (2000) and 28 U.S.C. § 2412 (2000),
 relating to, or arising from, this action;
 - (c) any claim of double jeopardy based upon the institution of this proceeding or the entry in this proceeding of any order imposing a civil monetary penalty or any other relief; and
 - (d) all rights of appeal from this Order.
- 6. Neither admit nor deny the findings of facts and conclusions of law stated herein. Defendants Schiera Main and Main consent to the use by the CFTC of the findings herein in this proceeding and in any other proceeding brought by the CFTC or to which the CFTC is a party. Schiera Main and Main do not consent

to the use of this Order, or the findings of fact or conclusions of law, as the sole basis for any other proceeding brought by the CFTC, other than a proceeding in bankruptcy relating to Schiera Main or Main, or to enforce the terms of this Order. Solely with respect to any bankruptcy proceeding relating to Schiera Main or Main or any proceeding to enforce this Order, Schiera Main and Main agree that the allegations of the Complaint and the findings in this Order shall be taken as true and correct and be given preclusive effect, without further proof. Furthermore, Schiera Main and Main agree to provide immediate notice to this Court and the CFTC by certified mail of any bankruptcy proceeding filed by, on behalf of, or against Schiera Main or Main in the manner required by paragraph 7 of Section V of this Order.

Agree that no provision of this Order shall in any way limit or impair the ability of any person to seek any legal or equitable remedy against Defendants Schiera Main or Main or any other person in any other proceeding, including any current or subsequent bankruptcy.

8. Agree that neither they nor any of their agents or employees acting under their authority or control shall take any action or make any public statement denying, directly or indirectly, any allegation in the Complaint or findings or conclusions in this Order, or creating, or tending to create, the impression that the Complaint or this Order is without a factual basis; provided, however, that nothing in this provision shall affect Defendants': i) testimonial obligations; or ii) right to take legal positions in other proceedings to which the Commission is not a party. Defendants Schiera Main and Main shall take all necessary steps to ensure that all of their agents and employees understand and comply with this agreement.

 9. Consent to the continued jurisdiction of this Court for the purpose of enforcing the terms and conditions of this Order and for any other purposes relevant to this case.

II. FINDINGS OF FACTS

- 1. From at least April 2001 to April 2005 ("relevant time period"), Gemancer I and Trade Pro, through Schiera Main and Main, acted as commodity trading advisors ("CTAs") in that, for compensation or profit, they engaged in the business of advising others as to the value or the advisability of trading in commodity futures and commodity options. Gemancer II served a financial purpose. Gemancer II accepted client deposits from Gemancer I and Trade Pro, and paid for third-party services on behalf of Gemancer I and Trade Pro. Corporate defendants Gemancer I, Gemancer II and Trade Pro constituted a common enterprise in that they shared office space, ownership, and employees, as well as commingled funds ("Germancer Common Enterprise").
- 2. During the relevant time period, Defendants Schiera Main and Main acted as either employees or officers of the Gemancer Common Enterprise.

 Defendants Schiera Main and Main were also controlling persons of the Gemancer Common Enterprise and knowingly induced, directly or indirectly, the acts described below that were in furtherance of the Gemancer Common Enterprise's violations of the Act.
- 3. Among other things, Gemancer I engaged in the business of soliciting members of the retail public to purchase and subscribe to its commodity futures and options on commodity futures trading advisory services, through its marketed materials, websites, members-only subscription newsletters, and in person seminars or "boot camp" training seminars. The commodity futures and options trading advisory services created, advertised and marketed have evolved over the relevant time period. The advisory services, including but not limited to, binders,

- 4. Trade Pro engaged in the business of advising others through its inperson training seminars, subscription based newsletters and software as to the
 value or the advisability of trading in commodity futures and options contracts.

 The Trade Pro software is proprietary software which purports to identify specific
 buy and sell patterns for predicting price movements in commodity futures
 contracts and options contracts in order to provide the user with signals to buy and
 sell. The Trade Pro in-person training seminars purport to teach the "Reverse
 Market Timing System," a system to trade commodity futures contracts, and the
 members only website provides commodity futures and options trading advice.
- 5. Defendant Gemancer II, Inc. is a Nevada corporation incorporated on March 7, 2003 but currently is in default. Its principal place of business was the same as Gemancer I. Gemancer II accepted deposits from clients for the purchase of Gemancer I and Trade Pro commodity futures and options trading advisory services. It has never been registered with the Commission in any capacity. Main owns Gemancer II. Gemancer II appeared to be a sister company to Gemancer I. Gemancer I client funds were deposited into Gemancer II's bank account. Gemancer I and Trade Pro's employees and service providers were paid out of both Gemancer I and Gemancer II bank accounts.
- 6. From the fall of 2001 to at least February 2004, Schiera Main signed sales solicitation materials and advertisements for Gemancer I "Decoding" trading strategies and Trade Pro software. She was initially listed as the president, principal and 50% owner of Trade Pro. She was the sole signatory for the Trade

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- 7. Defendant Main is listed as the president, secretary, and treasurer of Gernancer I. Main is also listed as the vice president, second principal and 50% owner of Trade Pro. Main has signatory authority over the Gernancer I and Gernancer II bank accounts. In February 2004, Main testified at Schiera Main's violation of supervised release hearing that he is the "owner" of Gernancer I and Trade Pro. Defendant Main ran the Gernancer Common Enterprise while Defendant Schiera Main was incarcerated from February 24, 2004 till March 4, 2005. His responsibilities included hiring employees. Main registered and operated the websites that were used in the solicitation of clients. Main entered into contracts on behalf of Gernancer I and Trade Pro with third-party providers, including merchant account companies, fulfillment companies, and a software company.
- 8. While acting as a CTA, the Gemancer Common Enterprise, through Schiera Main and Main, made misrepresentations in the solicitation of potential clients for the purchase of commodity futures and options trading advisory services that generally fell into three areas: (1) fraudulently overstated the profit potential and success of their trading systems and strategies; (2) misrepresented the risk involved in trading commodity futures and options contracts; and (3) misrepresented Schiera's net worth.
- 9. Since at least April 2002, the Gemancer Common Enterprise, through Schiera Main and Main, made material misrepresentations to potential clients in the promotion and marketing of their commodity futures and options trading advisory services when it misrepresented the success of their trading systems by

- (a) Schiera Main has been "consistently profiting over 90% of [hcr]
 trades" by following her trading strategies, and the Gemancer
 "Decoding System" "... guarantees that 90% or more of your trades
 will make you money..." (material in brackets added)
- (b) the "Reverse Market Timing System" is a "profitable strategy"
- (c) Trade Pro software has "dramatically increased [Schiera's] profit percentage," and "Trade Pro [software] will give you the signals you need to successfully trade the highly lucrative indices [S&P500]." (material in brackets added)
- 10. There were no commodity futures trading accounts identified for Gemancer I, Gemancer II, Trade Pro, or Brian Main at any registered futures commission merchant. Beginning in November 2002, Schiera Main minimally traded commodity futures contracts and had net losses in all three commodity futures trading accounts that she has traded.
- Main and Schiera Main, made material misrepresentations as to Schiera Main's success trading commodity futures and options contracts and claims about her net worth. Specifically, the Gemancer I promotional materials used the title "Millionaire" with Schiera Main's name, and claimed that over 90% of her trades were consistently profitable, "pulling in millions of dollars to date" by utilizing her trading strategies in the Gemancer I materials. In addition, the Trade Pro solicitation materials claimed that Schiera Main utilized the Trade Pro software resulting in a 114% profit "in 2 days with the S&P500."
- 12. Since at least April 2002, the Gemancer Common Enterprise, through Main and Schiera Main, made material misrepresentations to clients and potential clients in the promotion of their commodity futures and options trading advisory

services on the four websites and in promotional material as to the risks involved in trading commodity futures and options contracts. Specifically, the materials minimized the risks involved in trading commodity futures and options, making claims such as, trading commodities "is not risky at all", "how to make thousands a week trading options with almost no risk!", and the statement "although the results of Trade Pro have been extremely effective and profitable," was added to a purported risk disclosure, thus undermining the risk.

- 13. While acting as a CTA, the Gemancer Common Enterprise, through Schiera Main and Main, omitted material facts in the solicitation of potential clients for the purchase of commodity futures and options trading advisory services. Specifically, the promotional materials omitted the fact that Schiera Main has an unprofitable trading record and is a convicted felon.
- 14. Defendents Schiera Main and Main neither admit nor deny the findings of facts.

III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. During the relevant time period, the Gemancer Common Enterprise acted as a CTA in that, for compensation or profit, it engaged in the business of advising others as to the value or the advisability of trading in commodity futures and commodity options.
- 2. During the relevant time period, the Gemancer Common Enterprise violated Section 4o(1) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6o(1) and Regulation 4.41(a), 17 C.F.R. § 4.41(a) by: (1) using false and misleading promotional material, which overstated the profit potential for the trading systems it was selling; (2) failing to adequately warn of the risks inherent in trading commodity futures and commodity options; (3) misrepresenting the level of risk inherent in trading commodity futures and options contracts; and (4) failing to disclose material facts about Schiera Main's past trading performance and history of fraudulent conduct.

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- 3. The Gemancer Common Enterprise, while acting as a CTA, presented the performance of simulated and hypothetical commodity interest accounts without prominently including the required disclosure, in violation of Section 4.41(b) of the Regulations, 17 C.F.R. § 4.41(b) (2005).
- 4. During the relevant time, Schiera Main and Main directly and indirectly controlled the Gemancer Common Enterprise.
- 5. Schiera Main and Main directly induced the acts set out in paragraphs 8 through 13 which constitute violations of Sections 4o(1) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6o(1) and Regulations 4.41(a) and (b) and failed to act in good faith by failing to maintain a reasonably adequate system of control and supervision designed to detect fraudulent sales solicitations and prevent the Gemancer Common Enterprise from (1) using false and misleading promotional material, which overstated the profit potential for the trading systems it was selling; (2) failing to adequately warn of the risks inherent in trading commodity futures and commodity options; (3) misrepresenting the level of risk inherent in trading commodity futures and options contracts; and (4) failing to disclose material facts about Schiera Main's past trading performance and history of fraudulent conduct. Therefore, pursuant to Section 13(b) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13c(b) (2002), Schiera Main and Main are liable for the violations of the Gemancer Common Enterprise.
- 6. Defendants Schiera Main and Main neither admit nor deny the conclusions of law.

IV. ORDER FOR PERMANENT INJUNCTION

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that:

1. Defendants Schiera Main and Main, and all persons insofar as they are acting in the capacity of their agents, servants, employees, successors, assigns, and attorneys and all persons insofar as they are acting in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of such order by personal service or

otherwise, are permanently restrained, enjoined and prohibited from directly or indirectly:

- A. While acting as CTAs, employing any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any client or prospective client; or engaging in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates as a fraud or deceit upon any client or prospective client, by use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, in violation of Section 40(1) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 60(1) (2006);
- B. While acting as CTAs, or principals thereof, advertising in a manner which employs any device, scheme or artifice to defraud any client or prospective client; or advertising in a manner which involves any transaction, practice or course of business which operates as a fraud or deceit upon any client or prospective client, in violation of Regulation 4.41(a), 17 C.F.R. § 4.41(a) (2006);
- C. Presenting the performance of any simulated or hypothetical commodity interest account, transaction in a commodity interest or series of transactions in a commodity interest unless such performance is accompanied by the following statement, prominently disclosed, as required by 17 C.F.R. § 4.41(b):

Hypothetical or simulated performance results have certain inherent limitations. Unlike an actual performance record, simulated results do not represent actual trading. Also, since the trades have not actually been executed, the results may have under- or over-compensated for the impact, if any, of certain market factors, such as lack of liquidity. Simulated trading programs in general are also subject to the fact that they are designed with the benefit of hindsight. No representation is being made that any account will or is likely to achieve profits or losses similar to those shown.

In doing so, Defendants shall clearly identify those performance results that were based, in whole or in part, on hypothetical trading results.

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- D. Directly or indirectly soliciting or accepting any funds from any person in connection with the purchase or sale of any commodity futures or options contract, except as provided for in Commission Regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. 4.14(a)(9) (2006);
- E. Engaging in, controlling, or directing the trading of any commodity futures or options accounts, on Gemancer I, Gemancer II, or Trade Pro's own behalf or for or on behalf of any other person or entity, whether by power of attorney or otherwise;
- F. Applying for registration or claiming exemption from registration with the Commission in any capacity, and engaging in any activity requiring such registration or exemption from registration with the Commission, except as provided for in Commission Regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. 4.14(a)(9) (2006), or acting as a principal, agent or officer or employee of any person registered, required to be registered or exempted from registration with the Commission unless such exemption is pursuant to Commission Regulation 4.14(a)(9),17 C.F.R. 4.14(a)(9) (2006); and
- G. Otherwise engaging in any business activities related to commodity futures or options trading.

V. ORDER FOR OTHER EQUITABLE RELIEF

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

1. Civil Monetary Penalty for Defendant Monica Schiera Main: Upon entry of this Order, Defendant Schiera Main is liable for and judgment is entered against her in the amount of \$1,290,000 (\$1.29 million) as a civil monetary penalty. Defendant Schiera Main shall pay this penalty by making electronic funds transfer, U.S. postal money order, certified check, bank cashier's check, or bank money order made payable to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and sent to the address below:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Division of Enforcement
ATTN: Marie Batement - AMZ-300
DOT/FAA/MMAC
6500 S. Macarthur Blvd.
Oklahoma City, OK 73169

If payment by electronic transfer is chosen, contact Marie Bateman at 405-954-
6569 for instructions. Schiera Main shall accompany payment of the penalty with
cover letter that identifies the defendant, and the name and docket number of this
proceeding. Schiera Main shall simultaneously transmit a copy of the cover letter
and the form of payment to:

Office of Cooperative Enforcement
Division of Enforcement
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

2. Civil Monetary Penalty for Defendant Brian Main: Upon entry of this Order, Defendant Main is liable for and judgment is entered against him in the amount of \$120,000, plus the amount of money currently frozen, described below in paragraph 3, for a total amount of approximately \$207,772 as a civil monetary penalty. Defendant Main shall pay this penalty by making electronic funds transfer, U.S. postal money order, certified check, bank cashier's check, or bank money order made payable to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and sent to the address below:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission

ATTN: Marie Batement - AMZ-300

Division of Enforcement

6500 S. Macarthur Blvd.

Oklahoma City, OK 73169

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If payment by electronic transfer is chosen, contact Marie Bateman at 405-954-6569 for instructions. Main shall accompany payment of the penalty with a cover letter that identifies the defendant, and the name and docket number of this

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3. <u>Freeze Orders Dissolved</u>: All prior freeze orders are dissolved and all frozen funds shall be transferred to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission attributable to Brian Main's Civil Monetary Penalty. Specifically, the following funds shall be transferred to the CFTC:

Account	Amount Frozen
Bank of America Gemancer I	\$ 4,998.00
Account No. ending in 9662	
CardService Int'l Gemancer I	\$ 48,007.00
Merchant Account No. ending in 2270	
Optimal Payments, Int'l Gemancer I	\$ 23,007.45
Merchant Account No. ending in 1999	
Optimal Payments, Int'l Trade Pro	\$ 11,760.00
Merchant Account No. ending in 9780	,
Total Amount To Be Transferred to the CFTC	\$87,772.45

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that, within ten (10) days of the date of this Order, Defendants Schiera Main and Main shall execute any documents necessary to release all funds in the accounts that she or he has in the above listed repository, bank, investment or other financial institution in order to make partial or total payment towards Main's Civil Monetary Penalty, and shall ensure the transfer of all of the above funds within ten (10) business days of the entry of this Order by making electronic funds transfer, U.S. postal money order, certified check, bank cashier's check, or bank money order made payable to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and sent to the address below:

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Commodity Futures Trading Commission Division of Enforcement ATTN: Marie Batement - AMZ-300 DOT/FAA/MMAC 6500 S. Macarthur Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK. 73169

If payment by electronic transfer is chosen, contact Marie Bateman at 405-954-6569 for instructions. Schiera Main and Main shall accompany payment of the penalty with a cover letter that identifies the defendants, and the name and docket number of this proceeding. Schiera Main and Main shall simultaneously transmit a copy of the cover letter and the form of payment to:

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Division of Enforcement
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581.

- 4. Scope of Injunctive Relief: The injunctive provisions of this Order shall be binding on Defendants Schiera Main and Main, upon any person insofar as he or she is acting in the capacity of officer, agent, servant, employee or attorney of Defendants Schiera Main and Main, and upon any person who receives actual notice of this Order by personal service, facsimile or otherwise insofar as he or she is acting in active concert or participation with Defendants Schiera Main and Main.
- 5. <u>Notices</u>: All notices required to be given by any provision in this Consent Order shall be sent certified mail, return receipt requested, as follows: Notice to Commission:

Associate Director
Division of Enforcement - Central Region
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
525 West Monroe Street, Suite 1100
Chicago, Illinois 60661

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Notice to Defendants Schiera Main and Main:

Jonathan Schwartz
Law Offices of Jonathan Schwartz
4640 Admiralty Way #500
Marina del Rey, CA 90292
tel. 310-496-5770
fax 310-496-5771
e-mail: nasdlaw@aol.com

In the event that Defendants Schiera Main and Main change their residential or business telephone number(s) and/or address(es) at any time, they shall provide written notice of his or her new number(s) and/or address(es) to the Commission within twenty (20) calendar days thereof.

- 6. Entire Agreement and Amendments: This Order incorporates all of the terms and conditions of the settlement among the parties hereto. Nothing shall serve to amend or modify this Consent Order in any respect whatsoever, unless: (1) reduced to writing; (2) signed by all parties hereto; and (3) approved by order of this Court.
- 7. <u>Waiver</u>: The failure of any party hereto at any time or times to require performance of any provision hereof shall in no manner affect the right of such party at a later time to enforce the same or any other provision of this Order. No waiver in one or more instances of the breach of any provision contained in this Order shall be construed as a further or continuing waiver of a breach of any other provision of this Order.
- 8. This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this action to assure compliance with this Consent Order and for all purposes related to this action.

PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, certify that I served true copies of the (Proposed) Consent Order of Permanent Injunction and Other Ancillary Relief Against Defendants Monica Schiera Main and Brian Main via Federal Express on April 24, 2007, to the following Service List:

Jonathan Schwartz

Law Offices of Jonathan Schwartz

4640 Admiralty Way #500 Marina del Rey, Ca. 90292

Attorney for Main and Schiera Main

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 24, 2007 at Chicago, Illinois.