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INTRODUCTION

On May 10, 2004, Plaintiff Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") filed the First Amended Complaint in this civil action against Defendants Emerald Worldwide Holdings, Inc. ("Emerald"), City Trust and Investment Co. Ltd. ("CTI"), Jian Zhuang ("Zhuang") and Hao Jan Lu ("Lu"). The First Amended Complaint seeks injunctive and other equitable relief for violations of the antifraud and exchange trading provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended ("Act"), 7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., and the Regulations promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. § 1.1 et seq.

On July 5, 2005, the Court issued an order granting summary judgment on liability as to the Defendants Zhuang, Emerald, and Lu finding that, through the fraudulent solicitation of retail customers to deposit funds in Emerald's United States bank accounts to trade illegal off-exchange foreign currency futures contracts in the United States, Emerald violated Sections 4(a), 4b(a)(2) and 4h of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6(a), 6b(a)(2) and 6h, and CFTC Regulation 1.1(b), 17 C.F.R. \$1.1(b), and that Emerald, Zhuang and Lu violated Section 4b(a)(2) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 1.1(b) by misappropriating customer funds deposited into Emerald's United States bank accounts.

II.

CONSENTS AND AGREEMENTS

1. To effect settlement of the matters alleged in the First Amended Complaint without any further judicial proceedings, Defendants Zhuang and Emerald:

- b. Affirm that they have read and agree 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.
- c. Admit that this Court has jurisdiction over them and the subject matter of this action pursuant to Section 6c of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2002).
- d. Admit that venue properly lies with this Court pursuant to Section 6c of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2002).

e. Waive:

- 1. All claims which may be available under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 and 28 U.S.C. § 2412, to seek costs, fees and other expenses relating to, or arising from, this action;
- 2. 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 relief; and
 - All rights of appeal in this action.
- f. 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.

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- By consenting to the entry of this Order, Zhuang and Emerald neither admit nor deny the allegations of the Complaint or the Findings of Fact contained in this Order, except as to jurisdiction and venue, which they admit. Zhuang and Emerald 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 or involving the CFTC, other than a proceeding in bankruptcy relating to Zhuang or Emerald, or to enforce the terms of this Order. Solely with respect to any bankruptcy proceeding relating to Zhuang or Emerald, or any proceeding to enforce this Order, Zhuang and Emerald agree that the allegations of the First Amended Complaint and the findings in this Order shall be taken as true and correct and be given preclusive effect, without further proof. Furthermore, Zhuang and Emerald 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 either of them.
- i. Agree that neither they nor any of their agents, servants, employees, contractors or attorneys shall take any action or make any public statement denying, directly or indirectly, any allegation in the First Amended Complaint or findings or conclusions in the Order or creating, or tending to create, the impression that the First Amended Complaint or this Order is without a factual basis; provided, however, that nothing in this provision shall affect

- j. Acknowledge service of the complaint and summons in this matter.
- k. Appoint Defendants' undersigned attorney as agent to receive service of notices and judgment. With respect to such, Zhuang and Emerald waive the territorial limits on service contained in Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and any applicable local rules.
- 2. After the entry of this Order instituting a final settlement of this matter as to Zhuang and Emerald, the CFTC does not object to the Court's reconsideration of its September 15, 2004 Order Imposing Monetary Sanctions and its January 3, 2005 Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion for Warrant of Arrest of Defendant Jian Zhuang.
- 3. The Court, being fully advised in the premises, finds that there is good cause for the entry of this Order and that there is no just reason for delay. The Court therefore directs the entry of findings of fact, conclusions of law and orders of permanent injunction, monetary penalty and ancillary equitable relief, pursuant to Section 6c of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2002), as set forth herein.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

A. Findings of Fact

- 4. At all relevant times, Zhuang was a director and shareholder of defendant CTI. Since August 2002, Zhuang has been sole shareholder of defendant Emerald. Zhuang has never been registered with the Commission in any capacity.
- 5. Emerald was incorporated on March 12, 2001, in the state of California, with its principal place of business at 17870 Castleton Street, Suite 335, City of Industry, California. Emerald has never been registered with the Commission in any capacity.
- 6. From at least March 2002 to approximately July 2005, defendants CTI and Emerald, operating together as a common enterprise, solicited and collected at least \$5 million from more than 300 customers in Japan and China, purportedly to be used for trading foreign currency contracts through or with Emerald in the United States.
- 7. The foreign currency contracts that defendants offered and purported to trade were contracts for future delivery of foreign currencies that are cash settled ("futures contracts"). The foreign currency exchange transactions purportedly purchased or entered into by customers could be held open indefinitely and were purportedly closed by offsetting transactions. Customers, who sought profits on their purported investments, deposited funds with Emerald solely for the purpose of speculating in the foreign currency market.

8. While the transactions offered and purportedly traded by Emerald and CTI were foreign currency futures contracts, the customers were not eligible contract participants and Emerald was not a proper counterparty to the purported contracts under the Commodity Exchange Act.

- 9. The transactions offered and purportedly traded by Emerald and CTI were not conducted on or subject to the rules of a board of trade that has been designated or registered by the CFTC as a contract market or derivatives transaction execution facility for such commodity, and the contracts were not executed or consummated by or through such a contract market.
- customers to deposit funds into Emerald's United States bank accounts. CTI had five to ten offices in Japan and China. CTI hired "financial consultants" (FCs) to solicit new customers in Japan and China. CTI, through its agents, trained its FCs how to solicit customers to invest with Emerald and provided FCs with promotional materials and account opening documents to disseminate to prospective customers.
- 11. When soliciting investors to deposit funds, CTI's FCs represented that Emerald granted CTI exclusive authorization to solicit customers in Japan and China to trade through Emerald. FCs misrepresented to prospective customers that Emerald was a branch of "ACE Financial Group" ("ACE") and that ACE was one of the biggest foreign currency exchange trading companies in the United States.
- 12. FCs also misrepresented to potential customers that their investments would be protected because Emerald was regulated in the

- 13. As Emerald's exclusive agent, CTI distributed to prospective customers Emerald's promotional brochure, which made the same misrepresentations. Emerald falsely represented in its promotional brochure and Internet website that it is affiliated with entities and individuals that are registered with the Commission.

 These materials identified Emerald as a registered broker or dealer in foreign currency exchange investments and in futures and commodities trading and as "one of the largest and most experienced Futures

 Commission Merchants ["FCM"] that focuses solely on the currency market." However, Emerald is not and never has been registered with the Commission in any capacity.
- 14. In Emerald's promotional brochure and Internet website, www.emeraldforex.com, Emerald represented that it is a subsidiary of ACE, a registered FCM. The brochure stated that ACE is "a member of the U.S.A. Commodity Futures Trading Commission [CFTC], the U.S.A. Futures Commission Merchant [FCM], the U.S.A. National Futures Association [NFA], the U.S.A. National Association Securities Association [NASD], and the U.S.A. Securities Investor Protection Corporation [SIPC]," and proud to have been "one of the first registered FCM following the passage of the Commodity Modernization Act of August 1998." Although ACE is registered with the CFTC as a

- entity, Anthony John Columbo Inc. ("Columbo Inc."), actually conducts business. Emerald also claims that it is affiliated with Columbo Inc. and that Columbo Inc. is a subsidiary of ACE. Emerald's brochure and website stated that Anthony John, presumably Anthony John Columbo ("Columbo"), President of Columbo Inc., is the Vice President and Chief of Spot Trading at Emerald. Although Columbo is registered with the Commission, he did not actually have any relationship with Emerald or CTI.
- 16. Emerald, in its promotional brochure and Internet website, identified William Ahdout ("Ahdout") as the Head of Option Trading and provides a biography of Ahdout. Ahdout never maintained any business affiliation, commercial or otherwise, with Emerald or ACE and never engaged in foreign currency trading through his employer, Forex Capital Markets, a registered FCM with the Commission.
- 17. Emerald's promotional brochure and Internet website identified David Sakhai ("Sakhai") as the Chief Operating Officer of Emerald. David Sakhai is the Principal of Forex Capital Markets.

¹ The NFA is a not-for-profit membership corporation formed in 1976 to

become a futures industry's self-regulatory organization under Section

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¹⁷ of the Commodity Exchange Act. Section 17 was added to the Commodity Exchange Act by Title III of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission Act of 1974 and provides for the registration and CFTC oversight of self-regulatory associations of futures professionals.

Sakhai has never maintained any business affiliation, commercial or otherwise, individually or through Forex Capital Markets, with Emerald or ACE.

- 18. CTI incorporated many of the same misrepresentations into its own company brochures that were also distributed to prospective customers. CTI's brochures and employee business cards stated that Emerald was part of ACE Financial Group, and that ACE Financial Group was a registered FCM and member of the CFTC, NFA, NASD, and SIPC. CTI managers used these brochures to train FCs. FCs used this information to solicit customers, make them believe to that Emerald was a legitimate foreign currency contract trading company registered and regulated in the U.S., and lure them into depositing funds with Emerald.
- 19. CTI, through its agents, solicited approximately 300 investors in Japan and China to deposit investment funds in Emerald's bank accounts in the United States. CTI did not solicit investors to trade through any firm other than Emerald.
- 20. Emerald/CTI customers relied on the misrepresentations made by Emerald and CTI in deciding to invest funds to trade through Emerald.
- 21. CTI, through its agents, falsely advised customers that foreign currency trades placed by FCs or customers at a CTI dealing room were made through Emerald in City of Industry, California.
- 22. Emerald's website stated that customers could place trade orders directly by calling Emerald in California and that customers had access "24-hours a day from Sunday evening 5:00PM WST (California

Time) to Friday afternoon at 12:00pm WST" to the "dealing desk" via Emerald's main telephone number. From approximately March 2002 through November 2003, Emerald employed several part-time operators to answer calls nearly 24 hours a day in Emerald's California office.

- 23. However, Emerald did not actually trade the funds collected from Emerald/CTI customers. Other than wire transfers between them, the only deposits into Emerald's two main Citibank accounts in the U.S. were from customers, directly or through Otomo FX International or CTI, totaling approximately \$5 million. Emeralds accounts received no distributions from a bank, clearinghouse, designated contract facility or any other entity that would be consistent with trading.
- 24. Emerald did not distribute customer funds to any clearinghouse, designated contract facility or other entity that would be consistent with trading. Rather, approximately \$2.1 million in customer funds was wired to offshore bank accounts in the name of CTI, \$82,000 to other entities, \$10,000 to Zhuang, and \$507,000 moved to other Emerald accounts at Wells Fargo, Bank of America, or Citibank. Approximately \$1.9 million in customer funds was transferred back to customers for the purported liquidation of some or all of their trading accounts.
- 25. To uphold the appearance of trading, Emerald and/or CTI manufactured customer account statements, printed on Emerald letterhead and bearing an Emerald seal, that detailed purported trading results for any given day. These statements identified the account balance, margin requirements, commissions, and profits/losses, as well as specific contracts purportedly bought or sold. They were

sent to customers regularly and served to maintain the appearance of trading and enable the defendants' scheme to continue. CTI distributed the false account statements to customers in Japan and China.

- 26. From at least March 2002 through on or about August 6, 2002, Zhuang participated, along with Lu, in the business operations of Emerald. In August 2002, Zhuang purchased all shares of Emerald. From August 2002 to present, Zhuang has controlled Emerald. Zhuang, who is also known as "Ken So" or "Ken Sho," was also a shareholder and director or officer of CTI and exercised control over CTI. Zhuang, a signatory on one or more Emerald accounts into which investor funds were deposited, knowingly misappropriated and failed to trade investor funds. Emerald is liable for Zhuang's actions because Zhuang was acting as an agent of Emerald.
- 27. To cover Emerald's business expenses while Lu owned Emerald, funds were transferred from the customer funds contained in Emerald's Citibank accounts into Emerald's checking accounts at Bank of America ("BOA") and Wells Fargo. With Zhuang's knowledge and consent, Lu issued checks from Emerald's BOA and Wells Fargo accounts to various individuals and entities to pay for Emerald expenses and issued checks to himself or to "cash."
- 28. Zhuang set up and approved wire transfers from Emerald's Citibank accounts. In March 2003, wire transfers were made from Emerald's Citibank account to Emerald's BOA account and Zhuang issued checks from that account to pay various business expenses of Emerald.

- 29. On November 18, 2003, the Court entered a Statutory

 Restraining Order against Zhuang and Emerald, imposing a freeze on

 their assets, including the funds in Emerald's two Citibank accounts.
- 30. To circumvent the statutory restraining order, from on or about December 1, 2003 to April 2005, Emerald and/or CTI, through their agents, directed Emerald customers to wire investment deposits to other bank accounts in California. One account, at Citibank, is in the name of relief defendant ACE Capital. The second account, at Bank of America, is in the name of relief defendant ACE Emerald. From at least December 1, 2003, to April 2005, several customers solicited by CTI to trade through Emerald deposited investment funds into these bank accounts in the United States.

B. Conclusions of Law

- 31. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to Section 6c of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1 (2002), which authorizes the Commission to seek injunctive relief against any person whenever it shall appear that such person has engaged, is engaging, or is about to engage in any act or practice constituting a violation of any provision of the Act or any rule, regulation or order thereunder.
- 32. Section 2(c)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) of the Act provides that the Commission shall have jurisdiction over an agreement, contract or transaction in foreign currency that is a sale of a commodity for future delivery (or option thereon) or an option, so long as: 1) the contract is "offered to, or entered into with, a person that is not an eligible contract participant;" and 2) "the counterparty, or the person

offering to be the counterparty," is not one of the regulated entities enumerated in Section 2(c)(2)(B)(ii)(I-VI).

- 33. All of the foreign currency transactions alleged herein were offered to or entered into with retail customers who did not qualify as "eligible contract participants" as defined in Section 1a(12)(A)(xi) of the Act.
- 34. During the relevant period, the counterparty to the retail forex futures transactions entered into by the customers was Emerald, which was not an appropriate counterparty to retail forex futures transactions.
- 35. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Zhuang and Emerald, who acknowledge service of the Summons and First Amended Complaint and consent to the Court's jurisdiction over them.
- 36. Venue properly lies with this Court pursuant to Section 6c(e) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 13a-1(e) (2002), in that the defendants are found in, inhabit, or transact business in this district, and the acts and practices in violation of the Act have occurred, are occurring, or are about to occur within this district, among other places.
- 37. As found in the Court's Order of July 5, 2005, by the conduct described in Section IIIA above, Emerald, by and through its employees and/or agents, including CTI, offered to enter into, executed, confirmed the execution of, or conducted an office or business in the United States for the purpose of soliciting, accepting any order for, or otherwise dealing in transactions in, or in connection with, a contract for the purchase or sale of a commodity

for future delivery when: (a) such transactions have not been conducted on or subject to the rules of a board of trade which has been designated or registered by the Commission as a contract market or derivatives transaction execution facility for such commodity; and (b) such contracts have not been executed or consummated by or through such contract market, in violation of Section 4(a) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6(a) (2002).

- 38. As found in the Court's Order of July 5, 2005, by the conduct described in Section IIIA above, Emerald, through its employees and/or agents, including CTI, made material misrepresentations, and failed to disclose material facts, while soliciting and accepting funds from retail customers to engage in speculative trading of futures contracts. By virtue of this fraudulent conduct, Emerald has violated Section 4b(a)(2)(i) and (iii) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. §6b(a)(2)(i) and (iii) (2002), and Regulation 1.1(b)(1) and (3), 17 C.F.R.§§ 1.1(b)(1) and (3) (2004).
- 39. As found in the Court's Order of July 5, 2005, by the conduct described in Section IIIA above, Emerald, by and through its employees and/or agents, including CTI, misrepresented itself as an FCM registered with the Commission in its solicitation of customers and claimed that the contracts it offered would be executed through an entity that is registered with the Commission, in violation of Section 4h of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6h.
- 40. As found in the Court's Order of July 5, 2005, by the conduct described in Section IIIA above, Lu and Zhuang violated Section 4b(a)(2)(i) and (iii) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 6b(a)(2)(i) and

(iii) (2002), and Regulation 1.1(b)(1) and (3), 17 C.F.R.§§ 1.1(b)(1) and (3) (2004), in that they cheated or defrauded or attempted to cheat or defraud investors or prospective investors in the investment program, and willfully deceived or attempted to deceive investors or prospective investors, by misappropriating funds received from investors.

41. Defendants Lu and Zhuang engaged in the fraudulent misappropriation of investor funds while acting as Emerald's agent.

As found in the Court's Order of July 5, 2005, Emerald is thereby liable for Lu's and Zhuang's violations of Section 4b(a)(2)(i) and (iii) of the Act and Regulation 1.1(b)(1) and (3), pursuant to Section 2(a)(1)(B) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 2(a)(1)(B).

IV.

ORDER OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

42. Defendants Zhuang and Emerald, their agents, servants, employees, successors, assigns, attorneys-in-fact, and any other person or entity in active concert or participation with defendants Zhuang or Emerald who receives actual notice of this Order, by personal service or otherwise, are permanently enjoined, restrained and prohibited from directly or indirectly offering to enter into, entering into, executing, confirming the execution of, or conducting any office or business anywhere in the United States, its territories or possessions, for the purpose of soliciting or accepting any order for, or otherwise dealing in, any transactions in, or in connection

- a. such transactions have not been conducted on or subject to the rules of a board of trade which has been designated or registered by the CFTC as a contract market or derivatives transaction execution facility for such commodity future, and
- b. such contracts have not been executed or consummated by or through a member of such contract market, in violation of Section 4(a) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6(a) (2002).
- 43. Defendants Zhuang and Emerald, in or in connection with orders to make, or the making of, contracts of sale of any commodity for future delivery, made, or to be made, for or on behalf of any other persons, are permanently enjoined, restrained and prohibited from, directly or indirectly violating Section 4b(a) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6b(a) (2002) and Commission Regulations 1.1(b)(1)-(3), 17 C.F.R. §1.1(b)(1)-(3) (2004) by
- a. cheating or defrauding or attempting to cheat or defraud other persons;
- b. willfully making or causing to be made materially false reports or statements thereof by preparing and issuing false trading statements to investors; and
- c. deceiving or attempting to deceive other persons by any means whatsoever;
- This includes but is not limited to conduct described in paragraphs 4 through 30 above.

- 44. Defendants Zhuang and Emerald, and any other person, insofar as he or she is acting in the capacity of officer, agent, servant, employer, or attorney of the defendants, and any person insofar as he or she is acting in active concert or participation with defendants and receives actual notice of this Order by personal service or otherwise, are permanently enjoined, restrained and prohibited from, directly or indirectly:
- a. trading on or subject to the rules of any registered entity as that term is defined by Section 1(a)(29) of the Act, as amended, 7 U.S.C. § 1a(29)(2002);
- b. soliciting, receiving, or accepting any funds in connection with the purchase or sale of any commodity futures contract or option on a futures contract;
- c. engaging in, controlling or directing the trading for any commodity interest account for or on behalf of any other person or entity, directly or indirectly, whether by power of attorney or otherwise;
- d. applying for registration or seeking exemption from registration with the Commission in any capacity, except as provided for in Regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9)(2004), and engaging in any activity requiring such registration or exemption from registration, except as provided for in Regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9) (2004), or acting as a principal, agent, officer or employee of any person registered, required to be registered, or exempted from registration, except as provided for in Regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9) (2004). This prohibition includes,

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but is not limited to soliciting, accepting, or receiving any funds, revenue, or other property from any person, giving advice for compensation, or soliciting prospective customers, related to the purchase or sale of any commodity futures or options on commodity futures contracts, except as provided for in regulation 4.14(a)(9), 17 C.F.R. § 4.14(a)(9)(2004); and

- e. filing a petition in bankruptcy without providing the CFTC with prompt notice by Certified Mail of such filing.
- 45. The injunctive provisions of this Order shall be binding upon Defendants Zhuang and Emerald, and any person insofar as he or she is acting in the capacity of officer, agent, servant, or attorney of Defendants Zhuang and Emerald, and any person who receives actual notice of this Order by personal service or otherwise insofar as he or she is acting in active concert or participation with Defendants Zhuang and Emerald.

v.

ORDER OF RESTITUTION AND CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

A. RESTITUTION

- 46. Emerald shall pay restitution in the amount of three million four hundred thirty-three thousand seven hundred twenty-two dollars and sixty-one cents (\$3,433,722.61).
- 47. Zhuang, jointly and severally with Emerald, shall pay restitution in the amount of two million two hundred sixty-four thousand eight hundred seventy-nine dollars and ninety-four cents (\$2,264,879.94).

- 48. Zhuang and Emerald shall make payment of restitution to the Clerk of this Court, together with a cover letter identifying the payer by name as a defendant in this action, setting forth the title and civil action number of this action and the name of this Court and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Order. The payer shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of such payment and letter to the CFTC's counsel in this action. Post judgment interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance, from the date of this Order until the restitution is paid in full, at the Treasury Bill rate prevailing on the date of this Order, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961(a).
- 49. The restitution obligation of Zhuang and Emerald shall be offset by any restitution actually paid to the Clerk of the Court by any defendant in this action, any disgorgement actually paid to the Clerk of the Court by any relief defendant in this action, and any funds delivered to the Clerk of the Court by any bank holding such funds pursuant to the Court's Statutory Restraining Orders issued November 18, 2003 and May 11, 2004.
- 50. The Clerk shall deposit any funds paid by any defendant, relief defendant or bank in this action into an interest bearing account with the Court Registry Investment System ("CRIS"). These funds, together with any interest and income earned thereon (collectively, the "Fund"), shall be held by the CRIS until further order of the Court. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1914 and the guidelines set by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Clerk is directed, without further order of this Court, to deduct from the income earned on the money in the Fund

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 a fee equal to ten percent of the income earned on the Fund. Such fee shall not exceed that authorized by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

- the name of one or more defendants at various banks. Each bank listed in Attachment A is hereby authorized and directed to transfer to the custody of the Clerk of this Court, within thirty (30) days of service of this Order, the amount of funds held in the listed accounts at the time of service upon the bank of this Court's November 18, 2003, Statutory Restraining Order. Payment shall be accompanied by a cover letter identifying the bank by name, setting forth the title and civil action number of this action and the name of this Court and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Order. The bank shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of such payment and letter to the CFTC's counsel in this action. Zhuang and Emerald shall provide full cooperation in ensuring that the Clerk of this Court receives these funds.
- 52. Any acceptance by the CFTC or the Clerk of the Court of partial payment of Zhuang's and Emerald's restitution obligation shall not be deemed a waiver of their obligations to make further payment pursuant to this Order, or a waiver of the CFTC's right to seek to compel payment of any remaining balance.
- 53. Distribution of the restitution funds to Emerald/CTI customers shall be determined by further order of the Court. Within one hundred twenty (120) days of the date of issuance of this Order,

B. CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY

- 54. Zhuang shall pay to the CFTC a civil monetary penalty in the amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000).
- 55. Emerald shall pay to the CFTC a civil monetary penalty in the amount of nine million dollars (\$9,000,000).
- 56. Upon satisfaction of their restitution obligations, Zhuang and Emerald shall commence to pay their civil monetary penalties until the civil monetary penalties are paid in full. Upon termination of the restitution and civil monetary penalty obligations, satisfaction of judgment will be entered.
- 57. Zhuang and Emerald shall make payment of the civil monetary penalties by electronic funds transfer, or by 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 Office of Cooperative Enforcement, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20581, under cover of a letter that identifies the name of the defendant paying and the name and docket number of this proceeding. Zhuang or Emerald shall simultaneously transmit a copy of the cover letter and the form of payment to the Director, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581.

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MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

- 58. Except as provided in paragraph 48 above, upon the entry of this Order the provisions of the Court's November 18, 2003, Statutory Restraining Order entered against Zhuang and Emerald, imposing a freeze on their assets, shall no longer be in effect.
- 59. 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 Order in any respect whatsoever, unless: (1) reduced to writing; (2) signed by all parties hereto; and (3) approved by order of this Court.
- 60. <u>Invalidation</u>: If any provision of this Order, or the application of any provisions or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Order and the application of the provision to any other person or circumstance shall not be affected by the holding.
- 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 deemed to be or construed as a further or continuing waiver of such breach or waiver of the breach of any other provision of this Order.

- 62. Acknowledgements: Upon being served with copies of this
 Order after entry by the Court, the Defendants shall sign
 acknowledgments of such service and serve such acknowledgments on the
 Court and the Commission within seven (7) calendar days.
- 63. Continuing Jurisdiction of this Court: This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this cause to assure compliance with this Order and for all other purposes related to this action.
- 64. Authority: Zhuang hereby warrants that he is the sole shareholder and officer of Emerald, that this Order has been duly consented to by Emerald and that he has been duly empowered to sign and submit it on behalf of Emerald.
 - 65. Directions to the Clerk of the Court:
- a. The Clerk of the Court shall file Attachment A to this Order under seal.

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There being no just cause for delay, the Clark of the 1 Court shall enter judgment equinst defendants whyang end Emerald 2 forthwith and without further actice. 4 DATE: 2006 8.8-5 Consented to: ...ian znušng, Prosidert on behalf of 6 Emerald Worldwide Holdings, Inc. Defendant 7 9 upy Date: 2006.8.8 Consented to: Cian Zhuang Defandanc 10 11 Approved by: 12 mavid Weichert, Esq. counse) for _3 Detendants Jian Zhuang and Emerald Worldwide Holdings, Inc. **~4** 15 Approved by: 16 Counsel for Plaintiff 17 Commodity Fatures Trading Commission 18 so drukken, in Los Angeles, California, 19 2006. 20 21 UNITED CTATES DISTRICT SUDGE 22 23 24 25 26

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on <u>November 28</u>, 2006 a true and correct copy of the CONSENT ORDER OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION, MONETARY PENALTY AND EQUITABLE RELIEF AGAINST DEFENDANTS JIAN ZHUANG AND EMERALD WORLDWIDE HOLDINGS, INC. was served by U.S. Mail, pre-paid, on the following persons:

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