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IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING: Whether there has been a violation of the

Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:

PUGET SOUND MORTGAGE INCORPORATED. d/b/a EDMONDS MORTGAGE, DAVID BYRON PAGE, President, BOBBIE JO PAGE, Vice President, and

7 VICKIE L. McKENNEY, Designated Broker, 8

NO. C-09-495-11-CO01

CONSENT ORDER AS TO PUGET SOUND MORTGAGE, INCORPORATED, d/b/a EDMONDS MORTGAGE, and DAVID B. PAGE

Respondents.

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COMES NOW the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions (Director), through his designee Deborah Bortner, Division Director, Division of Consumer Services, and Puget Sound Mortgage, Inc. (Respondent Puget Sound), and David B. Page, President (Respondent Page), by and through their attorney, John A. Long, and finding that the issues raised in the above-captioned matter as they relate to Respondent Puget Sound and Respondent Page (Respondents) may be economically and efficiently settled, agree to the entry of this Consent Order. This Consent Order is entered pursuant to chapter 19.146 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, based on the following:

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AGREEMENT AND ORDER

18 The Department of Financial Institutions, Division of Consumer Services (Department) and 19 Respondents have agreed upon a basis for resolution of the matters as related to Respondents 20 alleged in Statement of Charges No. C-09-495-10-SC01 (Statement of Charges), entered May 14, 2010, incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto. Respondents hereby agree to the 21 22 Department's entry of this Consent Order as related to Respondents. By entry of this Consent Order 23 Respondents are agreeing not to contest the Statement of Charges. The parties intend this Consent 24 Order to fully resolve the Statement of Charges as it relates to Respondents.

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Based upon the foregoing:

A. Jurisdiction. It is AGREED that the Department has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the activities discussed herein.

- **B.** Waiver of Hearing. It is AGREED that Respondents have been informed of the right to a hearing before an administrative law judge, and hereby waive their right to a hearing and any and all administrative and judicial review of the issues raised in this matter, or of the resolution reached herein. Accordingly, by their signatures and the signature of their representative below, Respondents withdraw their appeal to the Office of Administrative Hearings.
- C. Admissions. With the following exceptions, Respondents neither admit nor deny the Factual Allegations of the Statement of Charges. Respondent Puget Sound admits that:
 - 1. On or about October 1, 2008, Respondent Puget Sound entered into a referral fee agreement with Pilchuck Mortgage, Inc. Pursuant to that agreement, Respondent Puget Sound received residential mortgage loan referrals from and paid compensation to Pilchuck Mortgage, Inc. from the proceeds of federally-related mortgage loans originated by Respondent Puget Sound. Respondent Puget Sound further admits that Respondent Puget Sound did not disclose the referral fee payments on either the Good Faith Estimate or the HUD-1 Settlement Statement provided to the borrowers.
 - 2. During 2007, and again in 2009, Respondent Puget Sound entered into referral fee agreements with the independent contractors of an affiliated business, Edmonds Realty. Pursuant to those agreements, Respondent Puget Sound received residential mortgage loan referrals from and paid compensation to independent contractors of Edmonds Realty from the proceeds of federally-related mortgage loans originated by Respondent Puget Sound. Respondent Puget Sound further admits that Respondent Puget Sound did not disclose the referral fee payments on either the Good Faith Estimate or the HUD-1 Settlement Statement provided to the borrowers.
 - 3. Respondent Puget Sound did not provide required disclosures or provided incomplete disclosures to some borrowers, including disclosures related to borrower-paid services, rate locks, and yield spread premiums.
 - 4. Respondent Puget Sound did not provide the Department with notification of significant developments relating to Designated Brokers.
 - 5. Respondent Puget Sound received funds at closing for payment of third-party services and did not deposit those funds into a statutorily-required trust account.

- D. License Revocation. It is AGREED that Respondent Puget Sound's mortgage broker license is revoked.
- E. Prohibition from Industry. It is AGREED that, for a period of ten years from the date of entry of this Consent Order, Respondents are prohibited from participating in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker or consumer loan company licensed by the Department or subject to licensure or regulation by the Department, in any capacity, including but not limited to: (1) any financial capacity whether active or passive; or (2) as an officer, director, principal, partner, LLC member, designated broker, employee, or loan originator; or (3) any management, control, oversight or maintenance of any trust account(s) in any way related to any residential transaction; or (4) receiving, disbursing, managing or controlling in any way, consumer trust funds in any way related to any residential mortgage transaction.
- F. Restitution. It is AGREED that Respondents shall pay restitution totaling \$10,413.08 to those consumers and in those amount specifically set forth in Appendix A. Prior to the entry of this Consent Order, the total restitution amount shall be deposited into a third-party trust account for distribution to the specified consumers, and Respondents shall provide the Department with proof that the restitution funds have been deposited to trust. Once deposited, Respondents shall not be permitted to receive any portion of the restitution funds. Respondents will instruct the third party to mail restitution checks to the specified consumers within 15 days after entry of this Consent Order. The restitution checks will be accompanied by a cover letter printed on Edmonds Mortgage letterhead as set forth in Appendix B. In the event that any consumer(s) cannot be located or restitution checks are not cashed within 60 days of issuance, Respondents will instruct the third party to submit those funds to the Washington State Department of Revenue (Department of Revenue) within 120 days of entry of this Consent Order as unclaimed property on behalf of the specified consumers, subject to the rules and regulations of the Unclaimed Property Section of the

Department of Revenue. Respondents will bear the cost of all related expenses such as mailing, stop payment fees, and submitting funds to the Department of Revenue. Within 130 days after entry of this Consent Order, Respondents will provide the Department with written proof of all restitution payments in the form of copies of the front and back of each cancelled check, a copy of all unclaimed property reports submitted to the Department of Revenue, and written confirmation from the third party that all restitution funds have been distributed as agreed.

- G. Rights of Consumers. It is AGREED that this Consent Order shall not release, waive, or in any way affect any legal rights that any consumers may have concerning Respondents.
- **H. Fine.** It is AGREED that Respondents acknowledge liability for a fine of \$250,000, and shall pay a fine to the Department in the amount of \$115,000, in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer," upon entry of this Consent Order.
- I. Investigation Fee. It is AGREED that Respondents shall pay to the Department an investigation fee of \$23,989.92, in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer," upon entry of this Consent Order. The Fine and Investigation Fee may be paid together in one \$138,989.92 cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer."
- J. Closure Report and Records Retention. It is AGREED that within 20 days of the entry of this Consent Order, Respondent Page will complete the "NMLS Surrender Checklist," including completing and filing a 2011 Mortgage Broker Closure Report form with the Department. It is further AGREED that Respondents shall maintain books and records in compliance with the Act; shall update Records Custodian and records location information on Respondent Puget Sound's Form MU1 with the name, address and telephone number of the Records Custodian. Respondent Page shall notify the Department in writing of any changes to location of the records, or to the Records Custodian's mailing address or telephone number, within fifteen days of any such change.

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS

DAY OF JUNE, 2011



DEBORAH BORTNER

Director

Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions

Presented by:

ANTHONY W. CARTER Senior Enforcement Attorney

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CONSENT ORDER C-09-495-11-CO01 Puget Sound Mortgage, Inc. and David B. Page DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Division of Consumer Services
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APPENDIX A - RESTITUTION LIST

Borrower	PSM Refund
JF	\$1,834.32
LW	\$1,781.25
SM	\$2,223.74
KF	\$1,949.79
CG	\$1,423.98
CM	\$100.00
WO	\$100.00
DK	\$500.00
KB	\$500.00
TOTAL:	\$10,413.08

APPENDIX B

TO BE SENT ON EDMONDS MORTGAGE LETTERHEAD

DATE

Borrower's Name Address Line 1 Address Line 2 CSZ

Re: Refund of Loan Fees on Loan Number #INSERT

Dear Mr./Ms. Borrower:

It has been determined that you are entitled to a refund of \$INSERT in connection with the above referenced loan. A refund check in that amount is enclosed.

The enclosed check <u>must be</u> deposited or cashed within sixty (60) days of its issuance. Otherwise, a stop payment will be issued and the refund amount will be provided to the Washington State Department of Revenue as unclaimed property.

Sincerely,

David B. Page, President Edmonds Mortgage

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NO. C-09-495-10-SC01

STATEMENT OF CHARGES and NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE LICENSES, PROHIBIT FROM INDUSTRY, ORDER RESTITUTION, IMPOSE FINES, AND **COLLECT INVESTIGATION FEES**

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220 and RCW 19.146.223, the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter 19.146 RCW, the Mortgage Broker Practices Act (the Act). After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 19.146.235, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Statement of Charges, the Director, through his designee, Division of Consumer Services Director Deborah Bortner, institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:

I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1.1 Respondents.

- A. Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage (Respondent Edmonds Mortgage) is a closely-held Washington for-profit corporation organized on May 29, 2002, in Edmonds, Washington. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was originally licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions (Department) to conduct business as a mortgage broker on April 12, 1999, and has been continuously licensed to date.² Respondent Edmonds Mortgage originates and brokers both conventional and federally-guaranteed residential mortgage loans and is a Federal Housing Authority (FHA) approved mortgage broker.
- B. David Byron Page (Respondent Page) is the president, sole owner, and control person of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage, and has supervisory authority over Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Respondent Page has

Effective January 1, 2007.

² Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was originally organized and licensed as Edmonds Mortgage Incorporated.

never been licensed with the Department in any capacity. Respondent Page is also the sole owner of an affiliated real estate brokerage, Puget Sound Home Exchange, LLC, d/b/a Edmonds Realty, and an affiliated escrow company, Edmonds Escrow, Inc.

- C. Bobbie Jo Page (Respondent Bobbie Page) is the vice president of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage, and is Respondent Page's former sister-in-law. Respondent Bobbie Page has never been licensed with the Department in any capacity.
- **D.** Vickie Lynn McKenney (Respondent McKenney) has been a licensed loan originator and the designated broker for Respondent Edmonds Mortgage from January 16, 2009, to date. In her role as the designated broker, Respondent McKenney has been responsible for all activities of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage in conducting the business of a mortgage broker.

1.2 Referral Fee Agreement with Pilchuck Mortgage.

In July 2009, the Department conducted a for-cause on-site examination of Respondent Edmond Mortgage's business practices for the period of January 1, 2007, through June 30, 2009, the relevant time period. The Department selected 65 Washington residential mortgage loan files for review. Five of the loan files reviewed contained loan origination documents from a competitor, Pilchuck Mortgage of Everett, Washington.

- A. Agreement. In or around October 2008, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page entered into a referral fee agreement with David Evans, the vice president and co-owner of Pilchuck Mortgage. Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page agreed to pay Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans for referrals of prospective borrowers who closed residential mortgage loans through Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage would retain a \$1,000 processing fee plus 20% of the total of broker fees on every closed loan, and pay Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans the remaining 80% of broker fees.
- **B.** Referrals. From about October through December, 2008, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage received at least five residential mortgage loan referrals from Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage subsequently originated, processed, and closed five federally-related residential mortgage loans.

- **C. Payment.** Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page earned \$23,123.36 in mortgage broker fees on the five loans. Pursuant to the Pilchuck Mortgage referral fee agreement, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page retained \$8,703.07, and paid Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans \$14,420.29, as follows:
 - i. Borrower JF: On or about October 10, 2008, Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans referred borrower JF to Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page. On or about November 19, 2008, borrower JF's FHA loan closed. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage earned \$5,071.60 on the loan, and calculated the referral fee due under the agreement as \$3,237.28. On or about November 20, 2008, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage issued check number 9455, payable to David Evans, in the amount of \$3,237.28. On or about November 21, 2008, the check was deposited to an account controlled by David Evans.
 - ii. Borrower LW: On or about October 14, 2008, Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans referred borrower LW to Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page. On or about January 14, 2009, borrower LW's FHA loan closed. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage earned \$4,614.23 on the loan, and calculated the referral fee due under the agreement as \$2,832.98. On or about January 16, 2009, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage issued check number 9475, payable to David Evans, in the amount of \$2,832.98. On or about January 20, 2009, the check was deposited to an account controlled by David Evans.
 - iii. Borrower SM: On or about November 7, 2008, Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans referred borrower SM to Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page. On or about February 11, 2009, borrower SM's FHA loan closed. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage earned \$4,748.94 on the loan, and calculated the referral fee due under the agreement as \$3,894.96. On or about February 20, 2009, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage issued check number 9512, payable to David Evans, in the amount of \$6,694.12. (The amount included payment for the KF loan discussed below.) On or about February 23, 2009, the check was deposited to an account controlled by David Evans.
 - **iv. Borrower KF:** On or about December 2, 2008, Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans referred borrower KF to Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page. On or about February 17, 2009, borrower KF's FHA loan closed. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage earned \$2,569.89 on the loan, and calculated the referral fee due under the agreement as \$2,799.16. On or about February 20, 2009, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage issued check number 9512, payable to David Evans, in the amount of \$6,694.12. (The amount included payment for the SM loan discussed above.) On or about February 23, 2009, the check was deposited to an account controlled by David Evans.
 - v. Borrower CG: On or about December 16, 2008, Pilchuck Mortgage and David Evans referred borrower CG to Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page. On or about February 27, 2009, borrower CG's FHA loan closed. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage earned \$6,118.70 on the loan, and calculated the referral fee due under the agreement as \$1,255.91. On or about March 3, 2009, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage issued check number 9522, payable to David Evans, in the amount of \$1,655.91. (The amount included \$400.00 as additional \$200.00 payments for each of the SM and KF loans discussed above.) On or about March 5, 2009, the check was deposited to an account controlled by David Evans.

During at least 2007, and again in 2009, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page entered into referral fee agreements with independent contractors of Edmonds Realty.

- A. Commission Agreements. During at least 2007, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page entered into commission referral fee agreements with real estate agents working as independent contractors for Edmonds Realty. Pursuant to the commission referral fee agreement, after certain conditions were met, Respondent Page would pay agents 2% of the mortgage loan amount for all referrals that resulted in a residential mortgage loan closed through Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. The agreements were discontinued sometime during 2008.
- **B.** Cash Agreement. During 2009, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page entered into cash referral fee agreements with real estate agents working as independent contractors for Edmonds Realty. Pursuant to the cash referral fee agreement, after certain conditions were met, Respondent Page would pay agents \$100 cash for each referral to Respondent Edmonds Mortgage, plus \$400 cash for each referral that resulted in a residential mortgage loan closed through Respondent Edmonds Mortgage.
- C. Referrals. During at least 2007, under the commission referral fee agreement, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage received at least sixteen referrals. During 2009, under the cash referral fee agreement, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage received at least four referrals, at least two of which resulted in loans. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage subsequently originated, processed, and closed at least eighteen federally-related mortgage loans.
- **D.** Payment. Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page earned \$74,392.10 in mortgage broker fees on the loans. Pursuant to the referral fee agreements, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page were contracted to pay \$104,711.14 to affiliated real estate agents if the conditions were met. Payments known to be made as of the date of this Statement of Charges include:
 - i. Agent EJW: Between January and June 2009, agent EJW referred at least three customers to Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Pursuant to the cash referral fee agreement, Respondent Page paid agent EJW \$100 in cash for two of the referrals. On the third referral, on or about June 11, 2009, Respondent Page issued check number 5056, payable to EJW, in the amount of \$500. (Because the referral resulted in a residential mortgage loan, the amount included \$100 for the referral plus \$400 for the loan. Borrower DLK's loan was originated and closed through Respondent Edmonds Mortgage.)

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ii. Agent CDS: In January 2009, agent CDS referred at least one customer to Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Pursuant to the cash referral fee agreement, Respondent Page paid agent CDS \$500 for the referral. On or about June 26, 2009, Respondent Page issued check number 5085, payable to CDS, in the amount of \$500. (Because the referral resulted in a residential mortgage loan, the amount included \$100 for the referral plus \$400 for the loan. Borrower KB's loan was originated and closed through Respondent Edmonds Mortgage.)

Missing or Incomplete Disclosures. The loan file review conducted during the examination revealed that during the relevant time period, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was not making required disclosures, not making complete disclosures, or both, including:

A. Incomplete Good Faith Estimates: Fees Inuring To Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Within three business days following receipt of a residential mortgage loan application, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was required to provide applicants with a full written disclosure itemizing and explaining all fees and costs that a borrower must pay in connection with getting a loan. Among other things, the disclosure needed to specify the fee(s) which inured to the benefit of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. [RCW 19.146.030(1).] Furthermore, as the disclosures were being made pursuant to the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), 12 U.S.C. §1601, and Regulation X, 24 C.F.R. §3500, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was required to disclose, on lines 808 through 811 of the Good Faith Estimate (GFE), all fees which inured to the benefit of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. [WAC 208-660-430(4).] In at least 50 of the 65 loan files reviewed, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not itemize and explain on lines 808 through 811 of the GFE all fees which inured to its benefit.

- B. Incomplete Good Faith Estimates: Fees To Pilchuck Mortgage. Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not disclose to the five borrowers referenced in §1.2 of this Statement of Charges that David Evans of Pilchuck Mortgage received referral fees.
- C. Incomplete Good Faith Estimates: Fees To Real Estate Agents. Based on information and belief, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not disclose to the nineteen borrowers referenced in §1.3 C of this Statement of Charges that real estate agents working as independent contractors for Edmonds Realty received referral fees.
- D. Missing Borrower-Paid Services Disclosure. Within three business days following receipt of a residential mortgage loan application, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was required to provide applicants with a

written disclosure advising of the availability of copies of borrower-paid appraisals, title reports, and credit reports when an applicant is denied a loan. [RCW 19.146.030(2)(d).] In at least 25 of the 65 loan files reviewed, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not provide the required disclosure.

- **E.** Missing or Incomplete Rate Lock-In Agreements. Within three business days following receipt of a residential mortgage loan application, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was required to provide applicants with written disclosures advising that disclosed interest rates and loan terms were subject to change, or, if applicable, the cost, terms, duration, and conditions of a interest rate lock-in agreement. If applicable, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was also required to disclose whether a lock-in agreement had been entered; whether the lock-in agreement was guaranteed by Respondent Edmonds Mortgage; and whether and under what conditions any lock-in fees were refundable to the applicant. [RCW 19.146.030(2)(c) and (e).] In at least 40 of the 65 loan files reviewed, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not provide, or provided incomplete, rate lock-in disclosures.
- F. Missing or Incomplete Yield Spread Premium Disclosure. Within three business days following receipt of a residential mortgage loan application, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage was required to provide applicants with a full written disclosure itemizing and explaining all fees and costs that a borrower must pay in connection with getting a loan. Among other things, the disclosure needed to specify the Yield Spread Premium (YSP) paid by the lender to Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. [Regulation X, 24 C.F.R. §3500.7(c).] The disclosure was required to be made on the 800 series of lines on the GFE. [Regulation X, Appendix B, Fact Situation 13.] In at least 25 of the 65 loan files reviewed, Respondent Edmonds Mortgage did not provide, or provided incomplete, disclosure of the YSP.

1.5 Unlicensed Loan Origination.

A. Respondent Bobbie Page. On or about January 2, 2007, Respondent Bobbie Page applied to the Department for a loan originator license. The license application was incomplete when received, and no license was ever issued. Respondent Bobbie Page originated at least three residential mortgage loans while unlicensed.

- C. Real Estate Agents. In at least four of the referrals made under the commission referral fee agreement, the referring real estate agent, though not licensed by the Department, originated the residential mortgage loan.
- 1.6 Notification of Significant Developments. Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page were required by the Act to have at all times a designated broker responsible for all activities of the mortgage broker. From approximately April 1, 2007, to April 30, 2008, Cheri Peterson was the designated broker for Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Ms. Peterson resigned on or about April 30, 2008. Within five business days of her resignation, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page were required to notify the Department of the resignation of their designated broker, and within thirty days were required to apply to the Department for approval for a new designated broker. From May 1, 2008, to November 25, 2008, when Respondent McKenney applied with the Department to be the new designated broker, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page did not notify the Department of the resignation of their designated broker. From May 1, 2008, to January 16, 2009, when Respondent McKenney's application to be designated broker was approved, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage and Page did not have a designated broker.
- 1.7 Forgery of Loan Origination, Processing, and Submission Documents.
- A. Cheri Peterson Forgeries. Between about May 2008, when Cheri Peterson left Respondent Edmonds Mortgage, and January 16, 2009, when Respondent McKenney was approved by the Department to be the new designated broker, at least five residential mortgage loans were closed by Respondent Edmonds Mortgage that indicated Cheri Peterson had originated, processed, and submitted the loan documents to lenders. Numerous documents purported to have been signed by Cheri Peterson were signed by someone other than Cheri Peterson, apparently other employees of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage.
- **B.** Real Estate Agent Forgeries. Between about April 1, 2007, and July 1, 2007, at least four residential mortgage loans referred to Respondent Edmonds Mortgage from Edmonds Realty were originated by the referring

1	real estate agent. However, based on the Department's review of the loan files, the 1003 loan applications taken
2	to originate the loans purported to have been signed by the originating real estate agent were signed by someone
3	else, apparently other employees of Respondent Edmonds Mortgage.
4	1.8 Failure to Maintain Funds from Borrower for Payment of Third-Party Providers in Trust.
5	Respondents have not received authorization from the Department to accept trust funds. In connection with the
6	residential mortgage loan files reviewed during the examination, on at least fifteen loans Respondent Edmonds
7	Mortgage received funds at closing for payment of third-party provider services. Respondents Edmonds
8	Mortgage and Page deposited these funds into operating accounts under their control, thereby commingling trust
9	funds with operating funds.
10	1.9 Misrepresentation of Borrower's Intent. On or about May 1, 2007, Respondent Bobbie Page began
11	assisting borrower PP to obtain a \$610,000 residential mortgage loan to purchase property A. Respondent Bobbie
12	Page represented to the lender that the borrower intended to occupy property A as her personal residence. This
13	loan closed on or about June 29, 2007. On or about May 4, 2007, Respondent Bobbie Page began assisting
14	borrower PP to obtain a \$459,000 residential mortgage loan to purchase property B from a different lender.
15	Respondent Bobbie Page represented to the different lender that borrower PP intended to occupy property B as
16	her personal residence. The loan on property B closed on or about June 8, 2007.
17	Respondent Bobbie Page used the same credit report for both loans, never disclosed to the lenders that there
18	were two primary residences involved, and misrepresented to the lenders borrower PP's intent to simultaneously
19	occupy the two properties as her primary residence.
20	1.10 On-Going Investigation. The Department's investigation into the alleged violations of the Act by
21	Respondents continues to date.
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23	II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER

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Edmonds Mortgage is liable for any violations of the Act by designated brokers, loan originators, or other

Liability for Actions by Others. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.245 and WAC 208-660-155(3), Respondent

licensed mortgage brokers employed or engaged by Respondent Edmonds Mortgage. Furthermore, pursuant to
RCW 19.146.200(4)(b), Respondents David Page and McKenney are liable for any violations of the Act by
employees, independent contractors, or other licensees if they knew, or by the exercise of reasonable care and
inquiry, should have known of the violations at a time when the consequences could have been avoided or
mitigated, and they failed to take reasonable remedial action.

- 2.2 Prohibited Acts. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage, Page, and McKenney are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1), (2), and (3) for directly or indirectly employing a scheme, device or artifice to defraud or mislead any person, engaging in an unfair or deceptive practice toward any person, and obtaining property by fraud or misrepresentation from any person by paying referral fees, forging residential mortgage loan documents, not disclosing fees and costs, making no or incomplete disclosures, and by using unlicensed loan originators,
- 2.3 Unfair or Deceptive Practice. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent Bobbie Page is in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1) and (2), for directly or indirectly employing a scheme, device or artifice to defraud or mislead any person and by engaging in an unfair or deceptive practice toward any person by misrepresenting to lenders a borrower's intent to simultaneously occupy two properties as her personal residence.
- Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage, Page, and McKenney are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.0201(11) by not complying with RESPA, 12 U.S.C. §2601 and Regulation X, 24 C.F.R. §3500, which prohibits payment of referral fees, requires disclosure on the GFE of the fees and YSP which inured to the benefit of Respondent Edmonds, and which further requires disclosure on both the GFE and HUD-1 of the referral payments to both David Evans and Edmonds Realty real estate agents.
- 2.5 Requirement to Disclose Residential Mortgage Loan Fees. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents Edmonds Mortgage, Page, and McKenney are in apparent violation of

III. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS

3.1	Authority to Revoke License.	Pursuant to RCW	19.146.220(2)(e),	, the Director may	revoke licenses for
any v	iolation of the Act.				

- 3.2 Authority to Prohibit from Industry. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(5), the Director may issue an order prohibiting from participation in the affairs of a licensed mortgage broker any officer, principal, employee, or loan originator of any licensed mortgage broker for any violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1) through (9), RCW 19.146.030 through 19.146.080, or RCW 19.146.200.
- **3.1** Authority to Order Restitution. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2)(e), the Director may order restitution against licensees or other persons subject to the Act for any violation of the Act.
- **3.3 Authority to Impose Fines.** Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2)(e), the Director may impose fines on a licensee or other person subject to the Act for any violations the Act.
- 3.4 Authority to Collect Investigation Fees. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.228(2), WAC 208-660-520, and WAC 208-660-550(4), the Department may collect the costs of any investigation of alleged violations of the Act.

IV. NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER ORDER

Respondents' violations of the provisions of chapter 19.146 RCW and chapter 208-660 WAC, as set forth in the above Factual Allegations, Grounds for Entry of Order, and Authority to Impose Sanctions, constitute a basis for the entry of an Order under RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221 and RCW 19.146.223. Therefore, it is the Director's intent to ORDER that:

- **4.1** The mortgage broker license held by Respondent Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, be revoked; and
- 4.2 The loan originator license held by Respondent Vickie Lynn McKenney be revoked; and
- 4.3 Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, and David Byron Page be prohibited from participation in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker subject to licensure by the Director, in any manner, for a period of ten (10) years; and
- 4.4 Respondents Vickie Lynn McKenney and Bobbie Jo Page be prohibited from participation in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker subject to licensure by the Director, in any manner, for a period of five (5) years; and

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1 2 3	4.5	Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, and David Bryon Page, jointly and severally, pay restitution in the amount of all fees which inured to the benefit of Respondent Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, to any borrower subject to violations of the Act by Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, David Bryon Page, Bobbie Jo Page, or Vickie Lynn McKenney; and
4	4.6	Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, and David Bryon Page, jointly and severally, pay a fine that as of the date of this Statement of Charges totals \$475,000; and
5	4.7	Respondent Vickie Lynn McKenney pay a fine that as of the date of this Statement of Charges totals \$10,000; and
7	4.8	Respondent Bobbie Jo Page pay a fine that as of the date of this Statement of Charges totals \$10,000; and
8 9	4.9	Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, and David Bryon Page, jointly and severally, pay an investigation fee that as of the date of this Statement of Charges totals \$12,853.65, representing 250 staff hours at \$48.00 per hour (\$12,000.00), plus \$853.65 in costs.
10 11 12	4.10	Respondents Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage, and David Bryon Page maintain records in compliance with the Act and provide the Department with the location of the books, records and other information relating to Respondent Puget Sound Mortgage Incorporated, d/b/a Edmonds Mortgage's mortgage broker business, and the name, address and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.
13 14		V. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE
15		This Statement of Charges and Notice of Intent to Enter an Order to Revoke Licenses, Prohibit from
16	Indus	try, Order Restitution, Impose Fines, and Collect Investigation Fee (Statement of Charges) is entered
17	pursu	ant to the provisions of RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221, RCW 19.146.223 and RCW 19.146.230, and is
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1	subject to the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (the Administrative Procedure Act). Respondents may make a
2	written request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND
3	OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING accompanying this Statement of Charges.
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5	Dated this day of May, 2010.
6	DEBÓRAH BORTNER, Director
7	Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions
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