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**STATE OF ARIZONA** 

# **DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

In the Matter of Service Company Activity of:

FIRST PREMIER HOME WARRANTY CORP

SBS Company Number: 512941931

2918 Avenue R Brooklyn, NY 11229

Respondent.

No. 25A-060 -INS

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST AND TO SUBMIT SERVICE CONTRACT FORMS

The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions ("Department") received evidence that First Premier Home Warranty Corp violated provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") Title 20 applicable to service companies. Accordingly, the Director of the Department ("Director") makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters the following Order pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 20-151, 20-1095.09(B).

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a New York-domiciled corporation.
- 2. The Department originally issued a service company permit to Respondent on December 28, 2020.
- 3. Respondent renewed its service company permit with the Department on March 14, 2024, effective April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025. Respondent timely submitted its permit renewal application on March 30, 2025.

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Brooklyn, New York 11229.

Respondent's address of record with the Department is 2918 Avenue R.

- 5. During a Market Analysis review of Respondent's business, the Department discovered that Respondent is actively using service contract forms that have not been submitted and approved by the Department.
  - a. On or about February 7, 2025, the Department sent a request to Respondent requiring Respondent to produce, among other records and information, "SERFF [System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing] Tracking Numbers with the Company's approved service contracts used from January 1, 2021 to September 30, 2024 in Arizona, including the effective date for each contract."
  - b. On or about May 2, 2025, in their response to the Department, Respondent admitted that they did not file the service contract with the Department stating, in part, "it was [Respondent's] understanding at the time of licensure that once they became licensed, they could move forward with providing the contract. Now that the Department has brought this to [Respondent's] attention, they are working to prepare a SERFF filing for this form."
  - c. From January 2022 to March 2024, Respondent issued approximately eight hundred (800) unfiled and unapproved service contracts to Arizona consumers.
  - d. Respondent failed to file its service contract forms for the Department's approval as of the time of this Order.

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# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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- The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 7. Any service company contract issued in violation of Article 11 is an enforceable and valid contract unless invalidated for other reasons. A.R.S. § 20-1095.05.
- 8. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes using a service contract form without Director's approval. A.R.S. § 20-1095.06(A).
- 9. Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes selling of an unapproved service contract. A.R.S. § 20-1095.07(A).
- Respondent's conduct, as described above, constitutes a failure to submit 10. contracts for the Department's approval. Arizona Administrative Code R20-6-407(G).
- 11. Grounds exist for the Director to impose a civil penalty of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for each violation and not to exceed an aggregate of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) within any six-month period with respect to intentional violations. A.R.S. § 20-220(B)(2).

## **ORDER**

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from offering and issuing unfiled and unapproved service contracts in Arizona.
- 2. Respondent shall file with the Department its service contract form within ten (10) business days following the effective date of this Order.
- 3. Respondent shall immediately pay to the Department a civil money penalty in the amount of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00).

4. This Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in full force 1 2 and effect until otherwise stayed, modified, vacated, or set aside. 3 **NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING** 4 Pursuant to Title 20 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, Respondent is hereby notified 5 that it may request a hearing pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-161 to contest the order to cease and 6 desist. Such a request must be in writing and received at the following address within thirty 7 (30) days from the date hereof: Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions 8 Attn: Alena Caravetta, Regulatory Legal Affairs Officer 9 100 North 15th Avenue, Suite 261 10 Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2630 11 12 Upon receipt of a timely written request for a hearing, the Department will issue an 13 order setting the time and place of the hearing. 14 Effective this 5th day of June , 2025. 15 16 Maria Ailor Maria Ailor, Interim Director 17 Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions 18 19 20 21 22

1	COPY of the foregoing mailed by U.S. First Class and Certified Mail, Delivery Receipt requested,					
2	this 6th day of June, 2025, to					
3	First Premier Home Warranty Corp					
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5	Brooklyn, NY 11229 Respondent 9489 0090 0027 6599 3008 62					
6	Paracorp Incorporated 8825 N 23rd Ave, Suite 100					
7	Phoenix, AZ, 85021					
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9	COPY of the foregoing delivered/emailed same date, to:					
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11	Ana Starcevic, Project Specialist Catherine O'Neil, Consumer Legal Affairs Officer					
12	Tolanda Coker, Market Conduct Manager Erica Bowsher, Chief Financial Compliance Officer					
13	Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions 100 North 15th Avenue, Suite 261					
14	Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2630					
15	First Premier Home Warranty Corp					
	Attn: Abe Sayegh, President/CEO  abe@firstpremierhomewarranty.com					
16	Respondent					
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