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EMPIRE BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD; WINSTON-HILL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.; GLOBAL CAPITAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.; COMMERCIAL ACCEPTANCE INSURANCE COMPANY; OLD AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.; PROVIDENT CAPITAL INDEMNITY, LTD.; UNIVERSAL GENERALE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.; FIRST ASSURANCE AND CASUALTY COMPANY, LTD.; DIVERSIFIED HEALTH CONCEPTS; WARREN SCHULTE; ROBERT SCHNEIDER; BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS OF FORT MITCHELL, KENTUCKY; COMMAND CAPITAL OF COLORADO, INC.; M & M MANAGEMENT, CORPORATION; BENEFIT DATA ADMINISTRATORS OF NOVATO, CALIFORNIA; C.R.E.A.T.E.; WESTERN BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION; WORLDWIDE BUSINESSMANS ASSOCIATION; NATIONAL LABOR RESOURCE CONSULTANTS CORP., dba N.L.R.C.C.; AMERICAN BENEFIT BUSINESS TRUST, dba AMERICAN BUSINESS TRUST; FARMERS HEALTH TRUST; ARTHUR ALVIN HANEY, a.k.a. AL HANEY, a.k.a. A. A. HANEY; JAMES G. RICKARD, a.k.a. GARY RICKARD; MICHAEL A. ANASTASIO; ALICE LOUETTA MUSTIC dba ALICE LONG; PAUL DONG; ROGER FORTIER; A.A. HANEY AND ASSOCIATES, INC.; SELECTIVE SALES, INC.; NATIONAL INSURANCE MANAGEMENT, INC.; NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE CORPORATION, INC.; NATIONAL INSURANCE WAREHOUSE; GUNHILD ALLEN; KATHY MOGEL; JUDITH

Respondents.

Docket No. 8187

AMENDED ORDER OF CEASE AND DESIST AS TO RESPONDENTS EMPIRE BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD; COMMERCIAL ACCEPTANCE INSURANCE COMPANY; DIVERSIFIED HEALTH CONCEPTS; ROBERT SCHNEIDER; M & M MANAGEMENT, CORP.; ARTHUR ALVIN HANEY, a.k.a. AL HANEY, a.k.a. A. A. HANEY AND ASSOCIATES; JAMES G. RICKARD, a.k.a. GARY RICKARD; MICHAEL A. ANASTASIO; ALICE LOUETTA MUSTIC dba ALICE LONG; SELECTIVE SALES INC.; NATIONAL INSURANCE WAREHOUSE: NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE CORPORATION, INC. AND GUNHILD ALLEN

The Arizona Department of Insurance ("Department") has received evidence that the Respondents, and/or each of them, have transacted the business of insurance in the State of Arizona. Accordingly, the Director of Insurance ("Director") makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters the following Order pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-401.02. This Amended Cease and Desist Order pertains only to the Respondents designated. With respect to those Respondents who entered into stipulations with the Department staying the original Cease and Desist Order of September 3, 1993, the stipulations shall remain in full force and effect as to this Amended Cease and Desist Order.

With respect to those Respondents not addressed in this Amended Cease and Desist Order, the original September 3, 1993 Cease and Desist Order remains uncontested and with full force and effect.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Director is charged with the enforcement of Title 20, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to insurance.
- 2. Respondent Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield ("Empire") is a foreign company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, with its principal place of business located at 622 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

- 4. From approximately March 1, 1990, through approximately June 30, 1990, Empire issued group health insurance coverage to Respondent C.R.E.A.T.E. (an Arizonadomiciled not-for-profit corporation); and/or Respondent Western Businessmen's Association ("WBA"), a California association with its principal place of business in the State of Arizona; and/or Respondent National Labor Relations Consultants Corp ("N.L.R.C.C."), a marketing entity which purported to provide health insurance coverage to Arizona residents, and/or Respondent Worldwide Businessmans Association ("Worldwide"), a marketing entity which purported to provide health insurance coverage to Arizona residents; and/or Respondent American Benefit Business Trust, also doing business as American Benefit Trust ("American Business Trust"), a marketing entity which purported to provide health insurance coverage to Arizona residents.
- 5. Respondent Commercial Acceptance Insurance Company ("Commercial Acceptance") is not authorized to transact insurance in any state in the United States and purports to be an alien company organized and existing under the laws of Barbados.

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- 6. Commercial Acceptance does not and/or did not at any material time hold a certificate of authority to transact the business of insurance in the State of Arizona.
- 7. From approximately July 1, 1991, through approximately November 30, 1991, Commercial Acceptance issued group health insurance coverage to Respondents C.R.E.A.T.E. and/or WBA and/or N.L.R.C.C. and/or Farmers Health Trust and/or Worldwide and/or American Business Trust.
- From approximately March 1, 1990, through approximately June 1, 1991, Respondent Diversified Health Concepts (DHC), acting as an unregistered third party administrator within the definition set forth in A.R.S. §20-485 and in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485.10 - .12 and acting on behalf of unauthorized carriers, namely Respondents Empire and/or Winston-Hill, did solicit and/or induce health insurance coverage for, enter into preliminary negotiations with, effectuate a contract for insurance for, and/or transact matters subsequent to the effectuation of the insurance contract and/or arising out of the insurance contract with Respondents C.R.E.A.T.E. and/or WBA and/or N.L.R.C.C. and/or Farmers Health Trust and/or American Business Trust. At all times material to this matter Respondent DHC was controlled by Respondents, Warren Schulte and/or Robert Schneider.

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From approximately August, 1991, through approximately November, 1991, Respondent M & M Management Corporation, an unregistered third party administrator within the definition set forth in A.R.S. §20-485 and in violation of A.R.S. §20-485.10 - .12 and an unlicensed entity acting on behalf of an unauthorized carrier, namely Respondent Commercial Acceptance, did solicit and/or induce health insurance coverage for, enter into preliminary negotiations with, effectuate a contract for insurance for, and/or transact matters subsequent to the effectuation of the insurance contract and/or arising out of the insurance contract with Respondents C.R.E.A.T.E. and/or WBA and/or N.L.R.C.C. and/or Farmers Health Trust and/or American

Respondents' solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of the insurance contracts and the transaction of matters subsequent thereto includes acts of a third party administrator as described in A.R.S. §20-485 and includes the procurement, preliminary negotiation, the taking or receiving of applications, the collection of premium, the payment of commissions, membership fees, dues or other consideration, the active marketing of the insurance to prospective policyholders, the quotation of premium rates, the providing application forms, and/or the payment of insurance claims.

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- 11. Arthur Alvin Haney, a.k.a. Al Haney, a.k.a.

 A.A. Haney, ("Haney") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agent or broker by the State of Arizona, license number 48303.

 Respondent Haney is a principal of Respondents W.B.A.,

 N.L.R.C.C., C.R.E.A.T.E., Worldwide.
- 12. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent Haney participated directly and/or through agents, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.
- 13. James G. Rickard, a.k.a. Gary Rickard,

 ("Rickard") is presently, and/or was at all times material

 to this matter, licensed as an insurance agent or broker by

 the State of Arizona, license number 642834. Respondent

 Rickard is and/or was at all material times a principal of

 Respondents W.B.A., N.L.R.C.C., C.R.E.A.T.E., and/or

 Worldwide.
- 14. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent Rickard participated directly and/or through agents, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health

insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

- "Agent") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agent or broker by the State of Arizona, license number 2650. Respondent Anastasio is and/or was at all material times a principal of Respondents W.B.A., N.L.R.C.C., C.R.E.A.T.E., and/or Worldwide.
- 16. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondents
 Anastasio and Selective Sales, Inc., participated directly
 and/or through agents, partners, and/or associations, in the
 solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance
 contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to
 transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an
 unregistered third party administrator in violation of
 A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.
- 17. Alice Louetta Mustic dba Alice Long, ("Long") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agent or broker by the State of Arizona, license number 662470.
- 18. On and after March 5, 1991, Respondent Long participated directly and/or through agents, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers

not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

- 19. Upon information and belief, Robert Schneider, ("Schneider") does not and did not at any material time hold an insurance license in Arizona.
- 20. On and after April 5, 1990, Respondent Schneider participated directly and/or through agents, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.
- 21. A.A. Haney and Associates, Inc., ("A.A.H.") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agency by the State of Arizona, license number 137718, controlled by Respondents Haney, Anastasio, and/or Rickard.
- 22. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent A.A.H. participated directly and/or through agents, principals, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

23. Selective Sales, Inc., ("Selective") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agency by the State of Arizona, license number 142492, controlled by Respondents Haney and/or Anastasio.

24. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent Selective participated directly and/or through agents, principals, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

25. National Administrative Corporation, Inc., ("NAC") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agency by the State of Arizona, license number 349159, controlled by Respondents Haney and/or Anastasio.

26. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent NAC participated directly and/or through agents, principals, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

27. National Insurance Warehouse, ("Warehouse") is presently, and/or was at all times material to this matter, licensed as an insurance agency by the State of Arizona, license number 413233, controlled by Respondents Haney and/or Anastasio.

28. On and after March 1, 1990, Respondent Warehouse participated directly and/or through agents, principals, partners, and/or associations, in the solicitation, inducement and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by carriers not authorized to transact health insurance in Arizona and/or as an unregistered third party administrator in violation of A.R.S. §§20-485 et seq.

Schneider, A.A.H., Selective, NIM, NAC, Warehouse, acting as unregistered third party administrators and/or each of them, did solicit, induce and/or effectuate health insurance coverage, enter into preliminary negotiations, effectuate a contract for insurance, and/or transact matters subsequent to the effectuation of the insurance contract and/or arising out of the insurance contract for and/or with individuals including but not limited to the following Arizona residents: Norma Barber of Tempe; Marion F. Bool of Tucson; Jeffrey Cantor of Scottsdale; United Food Bank of Mesa; Bob Gamelgaard of Phoenix; John Johnson of Phoenix; Dennis (Siu)

Lee of Tucson; Louise McLellan of Mesa; Naquin Farms of Yuma; Tom Ocano of Phoenix; Doyle Purvis of Scottsdale; Deanna Rigo of Phoenix; Robert Sullivan of Scottsdale; Southwest Perfusion of Phoenix.

- effectuation of the insurance contracts and the transaction of all matters subsequent thereto includes acts of a third party administrator as described in A.R.S. §§20-485, and includes the procurement, preliminary negotiation, the taking or receiving of applications, the collection of premium, and/or payment of commissions, membership fees, dues or other consideration, active marketing of the insurance to prospective policyholders, the quotation of premium rates, providing application forms, and/or remitting the premiums to companies not authorized to transact insurance in the State of Arizona.
- 31. Respondent Gunhild Allen ("Allen") does not and did not at any material time hold an insurance license in Arizona.
- 32. Allen served as an officer of Respondents WBA and C.R.E.A.T.E. and aided Respondents Haney, Rickard, and/or Anastasio in the solicitation, inducement, and/or effectuation of insurance contracts underwritten by companies not authorized to transact health insurance in

Arizona and performed the duties of a third party administrator without the benefit of registration.

effectuation of the insurance contracts described above includes the conduct of a third party administrator as described in A.R.S. §20-485, the procurement, preliminary negotiation, the taking or receiving of applications, the collection of premium, and/or payment of commissions, membership fees, dues or other consideration, active marketing of the insurance to prospective policyholders, the quotation of premium rates, providing application forms, and/or remitting the premiums to companies not authorized to transact insurance in the State of Arizona.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. The conduct of Respondents, and/or each of them, as described in the Findings of Fact above constitutes the transaction of insurance within the meaning of A.R.S. § 20-106.
- 3. The conduct of Respondents, and/or each of them, as described above constitutes the unauthorized transaction of insurance within the meaning of A.R.S. §§ 20-106, 20-107 and 20-401.01.

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4. The transaction of insurance by Respondents, or each of them, does not impair the validity of any act or contract of the Respondents.

- 5. Respondents, and each of them, are prohibited from maintaining any action in any court of this State to enforce any right, claim, or demand arising out of the transaction of the business of insurance until and unless Respondents, or each of them, obtain a certificate of authority as set forth in A.R.S. § 20-402.
- any claim or loss within the provisions of the insurance contract issued by them, or by each of them, any person who acted directly or indirectly as an agent for or otherwise represented or aided Respondents, or each of them, in a solicitation, negotiation, procurement or effectuation of the insurance contract or renewal of the contract is liable to the insured for the full amount of the claim or loss in the manner provided by the provisions of the insurance contract as set forth in A.R.S. § 20-402(B).
- 7. The Respondents, and/or each of them, herein alleged as third party administrators, held themselves out to be administrators in this state without holding a valid certificate of registration as an administrator issued by the director, as required by A.R.S. §20-485.12(A) and without submitting a deposit pursuant to A.R.S. §20-485.10.

- 8. The Respondents, and/or each of them, herein alleged as third party administrators are subject to a civil penalty of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars. Such civil penalty is in additional to any other penalties which may be imposed for violations of this title or other laws of the state pursuant to A.R.S. §20-485.12(F).
- 9. Grounds exist for the Director to order the Respondents, and/or each of them, herein alleged as third party administrators to cease and desist holding themselves out to be administrators in this state without holding a valid certificate of registration as an administrator issued by the director, pursuant to A.R.S. §20-487.12(J).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. That Respondents, and each of them, shall immediately cease and desist from the transaction of the business of insurance in the State of Arizona.
- 2. That Respondents, and each of them, shall immediately cease and desist from soliciting any insurance application, making or proposing to make any insurance contract, taking or receiving any application for insurance, taking or collecting any premium, commission, or any other consideration for any insurance contract, issuing or delivering contracts of insurance to residents of this

State, or otherwise transacting insurance business from offices or by personnel or facilities located in the State of Arizona.

- 3. Respondents, and each of them, shall pay all valid claims arising out of acts covered by any and all insurance contracts issued by them, or each of them, to Arizona residents for so long as such claims may legally be brought by or against any insured.
- 4. Respondents, and each of them, shall, within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, remit to the Department of Insurance of the State of Arizona any and all premium taxes applicable to the unauthorized insurance transacted in the State of Arizona and shall provide at the time of such submission an accounting acceptable to the Director of Insurance of the State of Arizona.
- 5. Respondents, and each of them, shall, within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, remit to the Department of Insurance of the State of Arizona the costs of examination associated this proceeding.
- 6. This Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until otherwise stayed, modified, vacated or set aside.
- 7. The Respondents, and/or each of them, herein alleged as third party administrators, shall immediately

cease and desist from holding themselves out to be administrators in this state without holding a valid certificate of registration as an administrator issued by the director and without submitting a deposit, pursuant to A.R.S. §§20-485.12(A) and 20-485.10 respectively.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Pursuant to Titles 20 and 41 of the Arizona
Revised Statutes, Respondents, and each of them, are hereby
notified that each of them may request a hearing pursuant to
A.R.S. § 20-161 to contest the order to cease and desist.
Such a request must be in writing and received at the
following address within thirty (30) days from the date
hereof:

Arizona Department of Insurance
Hearing Division
2910 North 44th Street
2nd Floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85018

Upon receipt of a timely written request for hearing, the Director will issue a notice setting the time and place of the hearing.

NOTICE OF APPLICABLE RULES

On January 23, 1992, the Arizona Department of Insurance adopted A.A.C. R4-14-101 through R4-14-115, setting forth the rules of practice and procedure applicable in contested cases before the Director of Insurance. The hearing will be conducted pursuant to these rules.

PURSUANT TO A.A.C. R4-14-106 RESPONDENTS SHALL FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS AFTER ISSUANCE OF THIS AMENDED CEASE AND DESIST ORDER WITH NOTICE OF A REQUEST FOR HEARING AND SHALL MAIL OR DELIVER A COPY OF THE ANSWER TO THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL FELECIA ROTELLINI. THE ANSWER SHALL STATE EACH RESPONDENT'S POSITION OR DEFENSE AND SHALL SPECIFICALLY ADMIT OR DENY EACH ASSERTION IN THE AMENDED CEASE AND DESIST ORDER. ANY ASSERTION NOT DENIED SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE ADMITTED. ANY DEFENSE NOT RAISED IN THE ANSWER SHALL BE DEEMED WAIVED. IF AN ANSWER IS NOT TIMELY FILED, THE RESPONDENTS' SHALL BE DEEMED IN DEFAULT AND THE DIRECTOR MAY DEEM THE ALLEGATIONS AS TRUE, AND TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS APPROPRIATE INCLUDING ENTRY OF A FINAL ORDER OF CEASE AND DESIST, IMPOSITION OF A CIVIL PENALTY AND/OR ORDER OF RESTITUTION TO ANY PARTY INJURED.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 1st day of November, 1993.

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COPY of the foregoing mailed/delivered this 1st day of November, 1993, to:

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