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1 2 3 STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES 4 DIVISION OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SECURITIES 5 In the Matter of Case No. DM-12-0035 6 FIRST ATLANTIC DEBT FINAL ORDER TO CEASE AND SOLUTIONS, INC., DESIST AND ORDER ASSESSING 7 CIVIL PENALTY ENTERED BY Respondent. 8 9 10 On April 9, 2012, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services 11 for the State of Oregon (hereinafter "the Director"), acting pursuant to the Oregon statutes 12 regulating debt management service providers, ORS 697.602 to 697.842, issued 13 Administrative Order DM-12-0035, ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST, PROPOSED 14 ORDER ASSESSING CIVIL PENALTY AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO 15 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING ("Proposed Order"), to First Atlantic Debt Solutions, 16 Inc. ("First Atlantic" or "Respondent"). 17 On or about April 20, 2012, First Atlantic was duly served with a true copy of the 18 Proposed Order mailed by the State of Oregon, Division of Finance and Corporate 19 Securities ("DFCS"), by certified United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to First 20 Atlantic Debt Solutions, Inc., c/o Saverio Massari, 23123 N. State Road 7, Suite 330; 21 Boca Raton, Florida 33428-5478 (Item No. 7008 1830 0003 3147 4168) and to Anthony G. 22 Coleman, Jr.; Registered Agent, First Atlantic Debt Solutions, Inc., 3275 W. Hillsboro 23 Blvd., #207; Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442 (Item No. 7008 1830 0003 3147 4175). 24 First Atlantic has received notice of the proposed administrative action by the 25 Division, has not filed a written request for an administrative hearing in this matter and

the time to request an administrative hearing has now expired.

NOW THEREFORE, after consideration of the file in this matter maintained by the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, including any materials that First Atlantic may have submitted, the Director hereby issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Orders.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Director FINDS that:

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- 1. First Atlantic Debt Solutions, Inc. is a Florida corporation with its principal address of 23123 N. State Road 7, Suite 330, Boca Raton, Florida 33428. The corporation was administratively dissolved on September 23, 2011 for failure to file an annual report. The listing filed with the Florida Secretary of State listed Saverio Massari as the president or principal of the company. The filing also listed Anthony G. Coleman, Jr. as registered agent with an office address of 3275 W. Hillsboro Boulevard #207, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33442. First Atlantic was not registered as a corporation with the Oregon Secretary of State.
- 2. At all times relevant to this matter, First Atlantic was engaged in the business of providing debt management services as defined by ORS 697.602(2)(d), by receiving money in return for obtaining or attempting to obtain as an intermediary on a consumer's behalf a concession from a creditor including, but not limited to, a reduction in the principal, interest, penalties or fees associated with a debt.
- 3. At no time material to this Order was First Atlantic registered in Oregon with the Director as a debt management service provider as required by Oregon law.
- 4 At no time material to this Order did First Atlantic file a bond with the Director as required by Oregon law.
- 5. At all times relevant to this matter, an individual identified as "SN" was a resident of the State of Oregon.

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6.	On or about August 18, 2011, SN paid First Atlantic approximately \$1,695 to
receive d	lebt management services.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Director CONCLUDES that:

- 7. First Atlantic performed debt management services as defined by ORS 697.602(2)(d) when it received money in return for obtaining or attempting to obtain as an intermediary on a consumer's behalf a concession from a creditor including, but not limited to, a reduction in the principal, interest, penalties or fees associated with a debt.
- 8. First Atlantic violated ORS 697.612 by engaging in the business of debt management service provider without being registered with the Director.
- 9. First Atlantic violated ORS 697.642(1) when it performed debt management services without first filing a bond issued by one or more corporate sureties authorized to do business in Oregon.
- 10. First Atlantic violated ORS 697.692(1)(a) when it charged an Oregon consumer an initial fee that exceeded \$50.

ORDERS

NOW, THEREFORE, the Director issues the following ORDERS:

Order to Cease and Desist

11. Pursuant to the authority of ORS 697.825(1)(a), the Director hereby ORDERS First Atlantic, and all entities owned or controlled by First Atlantic, their successors and assignees, to CEASE AND DESIST from violating any provision of the Oregon statutes regulating debt management service providers in ORS chapter 697, and any rule, order, or policy issued by the Director under ORS chapter 697.

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Order Assessing Civil Penalty

- 12. Pursuant to the authority of ORS 697.832, the Director may assess a CIVIL PENALTY in an amount of not more than \$5,000 per violation against any person who violates ORS 697.612 or 697.642 to 697.702, rules adopted under ORS 697.632, or any order issued under ORS 697.825.
- 13. Pursuant to ORS 697.832, the Director ORDERS First Atlantic to pay a CIVIL PENALTY in the amount of \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) as follows:
- A. A CIVIL PENALTY of \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) for violating the registration provisions of ORS 697.612 by engaging in the business of performing debt management services without being registered with the Director;
- B. A CIVIL PENALTY of \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) for performing debt management services without first filing a bond as required by ORS chapter 697; and
- C. A CIVIL PENALTY of \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) for violating ORS 697.692(1)(a) by charging an initial fee for debt management services that exceeded \$50.
- 14. The entry of this Order in no way limits further remedies which may be available to the Director under Oregon law.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this <u>10th</u> day of May, 2012 at Salem, Oregon, NUNC PRO TUNC April 9, 2012.

PATRICK M. ALLEN, Director Department of Consumer and Business Services

/s/ David Tatman

David C. Tatman, Administrator

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