## STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF INSURANCE

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In the Matter of:

CC SERVICES, INC., d/b/a COUNTRY
INSURANCE & FINANCIAL SERVICES, and
ALBERT MICHAEL DANIELS,
COMPLIANCE OFFICER,

Licensees.

Case No. D 03-10

## STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Division of Insurance (division) and CC Services, Inc., d/b/a Country

Insurance & Financial Services, (CC Services) and Albert Michael Daniels, (Mr. Daniels), the
licensees in this case, stipulate and agree that the failure of CC Services and Mr. Daniels to
ensure that the branch locations of CC Services in Soldotna and Wasilla and those employed at
those locations were properly licensed, and the unlicensed activity that occurred during that
time are resolved as follows:

- Mr. Daniels admits that, as Compliance Officer for the firm, he is
  responsible for ensuring that the firm's branch locations comply with the Alaska insurance
  laws, particularly that the locations and those employed at the locations are properly licensed
  before insurance business is transacted.
- In October 2001, Mr. Daniels and Robin Notter, who was then employed
   by CC Services, were notified that the division was aware that unlicensed activity had occurred

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at the Soldotna location, in violation of AS 21.27.010(a) and 21.27.140. In June 2002 the division proposed to settle the matter by the assessment of a civil penalty of \$2,947.78, which equals the amount of commission that was earned during the unlicensed period between July 30, 2001 and September 25, 2001, with a portion of it suspended. No settlement agreement was reached at that time.

- 3. In May 2002, legal counsel for CC Services contacted the division regarding unlicensed activity at the Wasilla branch location. Counsel suggested that there had been a mistaken assumption that a licensed producer could work out of a location before a firm license was issued for the location. In the Wasilla matter, two licensees conducted insurance business before the Wasilla location was added to their licenses and before the Wasilla location was issued a license, in violation of AS 21.27.010(a) and 21.27.140.
- 4. When the problems with the Soldotna location occurred, the division repeatedly advised Mr. Daniels that the firm license needed to obtain a license before anyone at the firm location could transact insurance business. Since the Soldotna unlicensed activity occurred in 2001, well before the 2002 unlicensed activity in Wasilla, the Wasilla violations could be considered wilful under AS 21.27.440(a).
- The division recognizes that CC Services has since implemented internal 5. procedures to ensure compliance with Alaska insurance laws at all their Alaska locations.
- CC Services and Mr. Daniels agree to pay civil penalties under 6. AS 21.27.440(a) as follows:
- a. \$2,947.78, which equals the amount of commission earned during the unlicensed period between July 30, 2001 and September 25, 2001 at the Soldotna location;

	b. \$5,154.61, which equals the amount of commission earned during the
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3	unlicensed period between January 8, 2002 and April 2, 2002 at the Wasilla location; and
4	c. \$20,000 with \$15,000 suspended.
5	The unsuspended portion of the penalties is payable within six months from the date the
6	director signs the order approving the agreement.
7	7 In the event CC Services or Mr. Daniels violates the insurance code or
8	applicable regulations during the next two years, the suspended portion of the fine referenced in
9	paragraph 6c will be reinstated. CC Services and Mr. Daniels also will be subject to any and all
10	sanctions authorized by the insurance code including imposition of additional fines or penalties.
11	<ol> <li>By signing this agreement, CC Services and Mr. Daniels understand and</li> </ol>
13	agree that any failure to comply with the conditions of this agreement will be grounds to
14	revoke, suspend, or not renew producer license #25517, #27411, and #21976.
15	<ol> <li>CC Services and Mr. Daniels understand that this agreement is not</li> </ol>
16	binding on the parties unless and until the director signs the order approving the agreement.
17	DATED: 8/28/3 DIVISION OF INSURANCE
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19	By: Linda Brunett
20	Linda Brunette Program Coordinator
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22	DATED: 19 03 CC SERVICES, INC., d/b/a/ COUNTRY INSURANCE & FINANCIAL SERVICES
23	JNS + FINEL-COTE SELVICE
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25	Albert Michael Daniels confluence Officer of 6: car
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