STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF INSURANCE

In the Matter of:)
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BRATRUD MIDDLETON INSURANCE)
BROKERS, INC., d/b/a PROPEL INSURANCE,)
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Licensee.)
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Case No. D 09-01

STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Division of Insurance (division) and Bratrud Middleton Insurance Brokers, Inc. (Bratrud), stipulate and agree to the following:

I. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

- A. Bratrud has held Alaska firm insurance producer license number 8263 since November 1976. As of July 2008, Bratrud is now doing business as Propel Insurance.
- B. On December 31, 2007, the division received Bratrud's application to add surplus lines authority to its existing license.
- C. Bratrud subsequently submitted an affidavit to the division that indicated that the firm placed surplus lines business on December 31, 2007, which was before the firm was actually licensed as a surplus lines broker. Surplus lines authority was added to Bratrud's license effective January 7, 2008.
- D. The firm voluntarily reported the placements to the division and paid premium tax for the placements and did apply for surplus lines authority by application dated

December 28, 2007. The placements, however, violated AS 21.27.010 and AS 21.34.040 and subject the firm to penalties under AS 21.27.440.

II. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

- 1. Bratrud agrees to pay a civil penalty under AS 21.27.440 in the amount of \$27,892.65, which equals the amount of commission earned for the surplus lines transactions that occurred on December 31, 2007, with \$24,892.65 suspended. The unsuspended portion of the penalty in the amount of \$3,000 is payable at the time Bratrud is notified that the director has signed the order approving this agreement.
- 2. In the event Bratrud violates the insurance code or applicable regulations during the next two years, the suspended portion of the penalties referenced in paragraph 1 will be reinstated. Bratrud also will be subject to any and all sanctions authorized by the insurance code including imposition of additional fines or penalties.
- 3. By signing this agreement, Bratrud understands and agrees that any failure to comply with the terms of this agreement may be grounds to revoke, suspend, or non-renew Alaska insurance license number 8263.
- 4. Bratrud understands that this agreement is not binding on the parties unless and until the director signs the order approving the agreement.

DATED: 4/8/9

DIVISION OF INSURANCE

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Linda Brunette

Program Coordinator

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STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF INSURANCE 550 WEST SEVENTH AVENUE, SUITE 1560 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501-3567 PHONE: (907) 289-7900 FAX: (907) 289-7910 TDD: (907) 465-5437	9	DATED: 4/6/09 RICHARD A. SVOBODNY ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL
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	12	By: Daniel Wilkerson
	13	Assistant Attorney General
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	15	<u>ORDER</u>
		IT IS ORDERED that this Stipulated Agreement and Order is adopted in full
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	17	resolution of the issues in this case, and shall constitute the final order in this matter.
	18	DATED this 8 day of Open , 2009.
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	21	Linda S. Hall
	22	Director of Insurance
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