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Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 56(a)(1), has filed a complaint pursuant to Sections 5(a)(1), 5(m)(1)(A), 13(b), 16(a), and 19 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 45(a)(1), 45(m)(1)(A), 53(b), 56(a), and 57band under Section 7(a) of the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003 ("CAN-SPAM" or the "CAN-SPAM Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 7706(a), to secure civil penalties, a permanent injunction, and other equitable relief for Defendant's violations of Section 5(a) of CAN-SPAM, 15 U.S.C. § 7704(a). Defendant has waived service of the Summons and Complaint; the parties have been represented by the attorneys whose names appear hereafter; and the parties have agreed to settlement of this action upon the following terms and conditions, without adjudication of any issue of fact or law and without Defendant admitting liability for any of the matters alleged in the Complaint.

THEREFORE, on the joint motion of the parties, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

# FINDINGS

1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §§ 45(m)(1)(A), 53(b), 56(a), 57b, and 7706(a), and 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1337(a), 1345, and 1355.

# <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

For the purpose of this Order, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1. "Commercial electronic mail ('email') message" means any electronic mail message the primary purpose of which is the commercial advertisement or promotion of a commercial product or service (including content on an Internet website operated for a commercial purpose) and that further satisfies the requirements of 16 C.F.R.

  316.1 et seq, as it exist now and may be amended.
- 2. Unless otherwise specified, "Defendant" means Yesmail,

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copy is a separate document within the meaning of the term.

- 4. "Electronic mail ('email') address" means a destination, commonly expressed as a string of characters, consisting of a unique user name or mailbox (commonly referred to as the "local part") and a reference to an Internet domain (commonly referred to as the "domain part"), whether or not displayed, to which an electronic mail message can be sent or delivered.
- 5. "Electronic mail ('email') message" means a message sent to a unique electronic mail address.
- 6. "Initiate," when used with respect to a commercial electronic mail message, means to originate or transmit such message or to procure the origination or transmission of such message, but shall not include actions that constitute routine conveyance of such message. For purposes of this Order, more than one person may be considered to have initiated a message.
- 7. "Person" means a natural person or a corporation,
  partnership, proprietorship, limited liability company,
  or other organization or legal entity, including an

association, cooperative, or agency, or other group or combination acting as an entity.

- 8. "Procure," when used with respect to the initiation of a commercial electronic mail message, means intentionally to pay or provide other consideration to, or induce, another person to initiate such a message on one's behalf.
- 9. "Recipient," when used with respect to a commercial electronic mail message, means an authorized user of the electronic mail address to which the message was sent or delivered. If a recipient of a commercial electronic mail message has one or more electronic mail addresses in addition to the address to which the message was sent or delivered, the recipient shall be treated as a separate recipient with respect to each such address. If an electronic mail address is reassigned to a new user, the new user shall not be treated as a recipient of any commercial electronic mail message sent or delivered to that address before it was reassigned.

10. "Sender," when used with respect to a commercial electronic mail message, means a person who initiates such a message and whose product, service, or Internet web site is advertised or promoted by the message.

# <u>ORDER</u>

I. PROHIBITION AGAINST VIOLATING THE CAN-SPAM ACT

address where the message was received; and (ii) remains capable of receiving such messages or communications for no less than 30 days after the transmission of the original message;

B. Does not include clear and conspicuous notice of the opportunity to decline to receive further commercial email from the sender; and

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provided by the Office of Consumer Litigation, Civil Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530, for appropriate disposition; and

В. In the event of any default in payment, which default continues for ten (10) business days beyond the due date of payment, the entire unpaid penalty, together with interest, as computed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961, from the date of default to the date of payment, shall immediately become due and payable.

#### COMPLIANCE REPORTING BY DEFENDANT III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in order that compliance with the provisions of this Order may be monitored:

For a period of five (5) years from the date of entry Α. of this Order, Defendant shall notify the Commission of any changes in corporate structure that may affect compliance obligations arising under this Order, including but not limited to a dissolution, assignment, sale, merger, or other action that would result in the emergence of a successor entity; the creation or dissolution of a subsidiary, parent, or affiliate that engages in any acts or practices subject to this Order; the filing of a bankruptcy petition; or a change in the

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corporate name or address, at least seven (7) days prior to such change, provided that, with respect to any proposed change in the corporation about which Defendant learns less than seven (7) days prior to the date such action is to take place, Defendant shall notify the Commission as soon as is practicable after obtaining such knowledge;

- B. One hundred eighty (180) days after the date of entry of this Order, Defendant shall provide a written report to the FTC, sworn to under penalty of perjury, setting forth in detail the manner and form in which it has complied and is complying with this Order. This report shall include, but not be limited to:
  - A copy of each acknowledgment of receipt of this
     Order, obtained pursuant to Section V of this
     Order; and
  - 2. Any changes required to be reported pursuant to subsection A of this Section;
- C. For the purposes of this Order, Defendant shall, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Commission's authorized representatives, mail all written notifications to the Commission to:

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Associate Director for the
Division of Enforcement
Federal Trade Commission
601 New Jersey Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20580
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D. For the purposes of this Order, Defendant shall, unless otherwise directed in writing by a representative of Plaintiff, identify all written notifications required to be sent to Plaintiff as in reference to DJ# 102-3371, and mail them to:

Director, Office of Consumer Litigation U.S. Department of Justice - Civil Division P.O. Box 386 Washington, D.C. 20044

E. For purposes of the compliance reporting and monitoring required by this Order, representatives of Plaintiff and the Commission are authorized to communicate directly with Defendant's officers.

#### IV. RECORD KEEPING PROVISIONS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, for a period of five (5) years from the date of entry of this Order, Defendant is hereby restrained and enjoined from failing to create and retain the following records in connection with the marketing, advertising, promotion, offering for sale, or sale of goods or services, via Stipulated Final Order Page 11 of 17

commercial email messages, and from failing to make such records (or reports concerning such records) available for inspection and copying within ten (10) days of receipt of a written request from a representative of Plaintiff or Commission:

request, if any; (3) the basis of the complaint or request if known; (4) the nature and result of any investigation conducted concerning the complaint or request; (5) each response and the date of such response to the complaint or request; (6) any final resolution of the complaint or request, and the date of such resolution; and (7) in the event of a denial of any resolution, the reason for the denial; and

D. All other records and documents reasonably necessary to demonstrate full compliance with each provision of this Order, including but not limited to, all documents obtained, created, generated or which in any way relate to the requirements, provisions, or terms of this Order, copies of signed and dated acknowledgments of receipt of this Order, and all reports submitted to the FTC pursuant to this Order.

#### V. DISTRIBUTION OF ORDER BY DEFENDANT

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, for a period of five (5) years from the date of entry of this Order, Defendant shall deliver copies of this Order as directed below:

A. Defendant must deliver a copy of this Order to all its officers, directors, and managers. Defendant must also deliver a copy of this Order to all its employees, agents, independent contractors, and persons who engage in conduct related to the subject matter of this Order. For current personnel, delivery shall be within five (5) days of service of this Order. For new personnel, delivery shall occur prior to their assuming their responsibilities; and

B. Defendant must secure a signed and dated statement acknowledging receipt of this Order, within thirty (30) days of delivery, from all persons receiving a copy or summary of this Order pursuant to this Part.

### VI. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF ORDER BY DEFENDANT

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant, within five (5) business days of receipt of this Order as entered by the Court, must submit to the Commission a truthful sworn statement acknowledging receipt of this Order.

### VII. FEES AND COSTS

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each party to this Order hereby agrees to bear its own costs and attorneys' fees incurred in connection with this action.

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#### VIII. SEVERABILITY

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this Order are separate and severable from one another. If any provision is stayed or determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

# IX. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for purposes of construction, modification, and enforcement of this Order.

### X. COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

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