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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS

TO: Mario Gonzalez, CEO
Rafeek Mikhail
A New Hope, Inc.
7527 W. Avenue L-11
Lancaster, CA 93534
and
1672 W. Avenue J Suite 207-A
Lancaster, CA 93534
and
1805 W. Avenue K Suite 119
Lancaster, CA 93534

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER
(For violations of section 25110 of the Corporations Code)

The California Corporations Commissioner finds that:

1. A New Hope, Inc. (“A New Hope”) is a corporation formed under the laws of California on November 13, 2006. It maintains or maintained addresses at 7527 W. Avenue L-11, Lancaster, CA 93534; 1672 W. Avenue J Suite 207-A, Lancaster, CA 93534; and 1805 W. Avenue K Suite 119, Lancaster, CA 93534.
2. Mario Gonzalez (“Gonzalez”) is the president, chief executive officer, and control person of A New Hope.
3. Rafeek Mikhail (“Mikhail”) offered and sold securities on behalf of A New Hope.
4. Beginning in August 2007 or earlier, Gonzalez, Mikhail, and A New Hope offered and sold securities in the form of promissory notes and investment contracts called “Certificates of Investment” to residents of California.
5. The promissory notes and Certificates of Investment were issued by A New Hope and signed by Gonzalez on behalf of A New Hope. The promissory notes and Certificates of Investment each state that they are “guaranteed with” certain property.

1 6. Gonzalez and Mikhail told investors that the money invested in the promissory notes
2 and Certificates of Investment would be used for investment in real estate.

3 7. These securities were offered or sold in this state in issuer transactions. The
4 Department of Corporations has not issued a permit or other form of qualification authorizing any
5 person to offer or sell these securities in this state.

6 Based upon the foregoing findings, the California Corporations Commissioner is of the opinion
7 that the promissory notes and investment contracts in the form of "Certificates of Investment" that are
8 being or have been offered or sold by A New Hope, Inc., Mario Gonzalez, and Rafeek Mikhail are
9 securities subject to qualification under the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968 and are being
10 or have been offered or sold without being qualified in violation of Corporations Code section 25110.
11 Pursuant to section 25532 of the Corporate Securities Law of 1968, A New Hope, Inc., Mario
12 Gonzalez, and Rafeek Mikhail are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in
13 the State of California of securities, including but not limited to promissory notes and investment
14 contracts, unless and until qualification has been made under the law or unless exempt.

15 This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent
16 with the purposes, policies, and provisions of the Corporate Securities Law of 1968.

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18 Dated: March 17, 2011
19 Los Angeles, California

20 PRESTON DuFAUCHARD
21 California Corporations Commissioner

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23 By: _____
24 ALAN S. WEINGER
25 Deputy Commissioner
26 Enforcement Division
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