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

TO: Stuart G. Hagler, Manager
David J. May, Manager
Wilbur A. Westmoreland, also known as W.A. Westmoreland, also known as Andy Westmoreland, Manager
Chad M. McDonald, Vice President
TransCoastal Partners, LLC
Couba Du Large Joint Venture
17304 Preston Road, Suite 970
Dallas, Texas 75252

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

The California Corporations Commissioner finds that:

1. At all relevant times, Stuart G. Hagler (hereinafter “Hagler”), was a Manager and Member of TransCoastal Partners, LLC (hereinafter “TransCoastal Partners”), a limited liability company formed in Texas on June 24, 2003 with a business and registered address of 17304 Preston Road, Suite 970, Dallas, Texas and with a website located on the Internet at www.transcoastal.net. TransCoastal Corporation also operates from this website and physical address, and is described to investors as an affiliate of TransCoastal Partners which has sponsored past joint ventures.
2. At all relevant times, David J. May (hereinafter “May”) and Wilbur A. Westmoreland (hereinafter “Westmoreland”), also known as W.A. Westmoreland and Andy Westmoreland, were

1 each a Manager and Member of TransCoastal Partners, along with Chad M. McDonald (hereinafter
2 “McDonald”) who was Vice President TransCoastal Partners.

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4 3. At all relevant times, TransCoastal Partners was Managing Venturer of a venture known as
5 Couba Du Large Joint Venture (hereinafter “Couba Du Large”), which was to be formed under Texas
6 partnership law.

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8 4. Beginning in or about December, 2006, Hagler, May, Westmoreland, McDonald,
9 TransCoastal Partners, and Couba Du Large offered or sold securities in the form of investment
10 contracts in units of Couba Du Large.

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12 5. Through cold-calling and other means of general solicitation, Hagler, May, Westmoreland,
13 McDonald, TransCoastal Partners, and Couba Du Large offered or sold eight Units of Joint Venture
14 Interests at \$86,000 per unit to raise \$688,000, excluding an additional \$18,000 per Unit Completion
15 Assessment.

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17 6. The purported purpose of the offering was to raise funds to drill, complete, and operate an oil
18 and gas well referred to as the Prospect Well located in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, to operate and
19 to produce from a gas well referred to as the Florentine Well located in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana,
20 and to acquire interests in both wells.

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

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26 Based upon the foregoing findings, the California Corporations Commissioner is of the
27 opinion that the units of Couba Du Large Joint Venture are securities subject to qualification under
28 the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968 and are being or have been offered or sold without

1 being qualified in violation of Corporations Code section 25110. Pursuant to section 25532 of the
2 Corporate Securities Law of 1968, Stuart G. Hagler, David J. May, Wilbur A. Westmoreland, Chad
3 M. McDonald, TransCoastal Partners, LLC, and Couba Du Large Joint Venture are hereby ordered to
4 desist and refrain from the further offer or sale in the State of California of securities, including but
5 not limited to investment contracts in the form of units of Couba Du Large Joint Venture unless and
6 until qualification has been made under the law, unless exempt.
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8 This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent
9 with the purposes, policies, and provisions of the Corporate Securities Law of 1968.

10 Dated: November 29, 2007
11 Sacramento, California

12 PRESTON DuFAUCHARD
13 California Corporations Commissioner

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15 By _____
16 ALAN S. WEINGER
17 Lead Corporations Counsel
18 Enforcement Division
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