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9	IN THE UNITED STAT	TES BANKRUPTCY COURT		
10	FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA			
11	In re:	Chapter 11		
12	MORTGAGES LTD.,	Case No. 2:08-bk-07465-RJH		
13		RADICAL BUNNY, L.L.C.'S:		
14 15	Debtor.	(1) OBJECTION TO THE FORM OF ORDER RE: LIQUIDATING TRUST'S		
16		MOTION FOR EXPEDITED HEARING ON ITS MOTION FOR STAY PENDING		
17		APPEAL; AND (2) RESPONSE AND OBJECTION TO		
18		MOTION FOR EXPEDITED HEARING ON LIQUIDATING TRUST'S MOTION		
19		FOR STAY PENDING APPEAL		
20		Hearing Date: TBD		
21		Hearing Time: TBD Location: TBD		
22		Related Docket Nos. 2537 & 2538		
23 24	Padical Burny LLC ("DDLLC	") populated anoditar and party in interest by		
	Radical Bunny, L.L.C. ("RBLLC"), secured creditor and party in interest, by			
25	and through undersigned counsel, hereby objects to (1) the form of "Order Re:			
26	Motion For Expedited Hearing On Liquidating Trust's Motion For Stay Pending			
27 28	Appeal" ("Trust Form of Order") filed by Kevin T. O'Halloran, Trustee of the			
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Liquidating Trust of Mortgages Ltd. ("Liquidating Trustee") at Docket No. 2538 and (2) responds and objects to Liquidating Trustee's "<u>Motion For Expedited</u> <u>Hearing On Liquidating Trust's Motion For Stay Pending Appeal</u>" ("Expedited Hearing Motion") filed at Docket No. 2537.

This Court entered its "<u>Order Granting Radical Bunny's Administrative</u> <u>Claim for Substantial Contribution</u>" (Docket No. 2514)("Granting Order"). On December 21, 2009, this Court entered its "<u>Order Approving Allowance &</u> <u>Payment Of Substantial Contribution Claim Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. § 503(b)(3)(D)</u> <u>And (4)</u>" (Docket No. 2521) ("Payment Order"). Pursuant to the Payment Order, this Court ordered the immediate payment in the amount of **\$595,798.25** to DeConcini McDonald Yetwin & Lacy, P.C. ("DMYL"), as Counsel for RBLLC.

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### A. <u>Liquidating Trustee Has Misrepresented Communications</u>

The Expedited Hearing Motion cites one e-mail communication from DMYL 14 out of context. On December 18, 2009, when RBLLC's Counsel, DMYL, learned 15 that this Court had granted RBLLC's Substantial Contribution Claim, DMYL 16 immediately contacted counsel for the Liquidating Trust and counsel for 17 ML Manager LLC to ensure that payment of the Substantial Contribution Amount 18 was forthcoming. The confirmed plan of reorganization in this case provides for 19 payment of Administrative Claims that are Allowed Claims through the Exit 20That financing requires the joint request of both the Liquidating Financing. 21 Trustee and ML Manager LLC for an advance to comply with the Payment Order. 22 See Docket Entry 2265, Ex. 2, §§ 2.1 & 2.2. 23

In response to DMYL's request, both Mark Dorval and Cathy Reece indicated that they needed to consult with their clients. When DMYL had heard nothing further by December 23, 2009, DMYL sent another e-mail asking about the status of payment and sufficiency of funds for payment. Mark Dorval and Cathy Reece did not respond to this request for information. DMYL also

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1 attempted to schedule a telephone conference with Mark Dorval to discuss payment. After those attempts were also unsuccessful, DMYL then advised Mr. 3 Dorval that DMYL would pursue its remedies if the Liquidating Trustee did not 4 intend to make the ordered payment. See e-mails attached as Exhibit 1.

While the Liquidating Trustee misrepresents DMYL's request to obtain payment of ordered amounts as a "threat", DMYL had requested a response to (1) whether the Liquidating Trust and ML Manager LLC intended to comply with the Payment Order, and (2) if there are actually funds available to pay DMYL, as ordered.

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#### Β. Assurance of Funds for Payment of Allowed Claim is Needed

The Liquidating Trust has sought a stay on execution of the Payment Order 12 pending a hearing on its motion for stay pending appeal. That request can only 13 reasonably be granted, given the Liquidating Trustee's refusal to provide 14 information on the availability of funds, if no payments are made from the 15 Liquidating Trust pending the stay hearing. The Liquidating Trustee has not 16 posted a supersedeas bond pursuant to Rule 8005 of the Federal Rules of 17 Bankruptcy Procedure, and the issue of whether there are sufficient funds to pay 18 all allowed administrative claims in this case has already been raised by other 19 parties in interest. 20

RBLLC is filing a Motion to Compel Immediate Payment along with 21 RBLLC's response and objection to that requested stay. RBLLC is entitled to 22 know if the Liquidating Trustee has funds available to pay DMYL as provided in 23 the Payment Order. In the meantime, no further amounts should be paid from the 24Liquidating Trust. 25

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#### C. Conclusion and Requested Relief

27 RBLLC requests that this Court deny the Liquidating Trustee's request to 28 enter the Trust Form of Order in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Expedited

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	2	Hearing Motion. Instead, RBLLC requests that this Court enter an order in the
	3	form attached as Exhibit 2. RBLLC further seeks such additional and other relief
	4	as is just and proper under the circumstances of this case.
	5	DATED this 31st day of December, 2009.
	6	DECONCINI MCDONALD YETWIN & LACY, P.C.
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	8	By <u>/s/SHELTON L. FREEMAN</u> Shelton L. Freeman
	9	Counsel to Radical Bunny, L.L.C. and
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# **EXHIBIT 1**

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From: Shelton Freeman [mailto:TFreeman@lawdmyl.com] Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 10:44 AM To: Dorval, Mark; CREECE@FCLAW.com Subject: ML

Good morning. I am following up on my email from last night about the ruling on our substantial contribution claim. If there is any controversy about having this paid before year end, I would really appreciate addressing it today. I have a conference call at 11:00 and another at 4:00 and a firm gathering at 11:30 but will make myself available for a call between now and 11 and between 1:30-4 Arizona time. While I am hopeful that this matter is now resolved and payment is forthcoming, I really want to avoid any further delays in getting paid and am facing a 12/31 fiscal year end, so I will look forward to your cooperation in accomplishing this result. Please let me hear from you.

Thanks.

### **Tony Freeman**

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### From: Dorval, Mark [mailto:MDorval@STRADLEY.COM] Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 2:30 PM To: Shelton Freeman; REECE, CATHY Subject: RE: ML

Tony:

I have not been able to connect with Kevin yet, so I cannot give you any guidance at this time. Once I speak with Kevin, I will be in touch with you.

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#### From: REECE, CATHY [mailto:CREECE@FCLAW.com] Sent: Friday, December 18, 2009 2:38 PM To: Dorval, Mark; Shelton Freeman Subject: RE: ML

Tony-- same here. I have a Board meeting on Tuesday but tried to do a conference call with Elliott and Mark Winkleman today without success. I will keep trying to talk with them about it and will get back with you. No doubt Elliott and Kevin will also need to talk. Cathy

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Shelton Freeman Friday, December 18, 2009 2:46 PM 'REECE, CATHY'; Dorval, Mark RE: ML

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Thank you for the response. I'll look forward to hearing from you both early next week and appreciate the prompt attention to this matter by you and your clients.

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Shelton Freeman Wednesday, December 23, 2009 11:52 AM REECE, CATHY; mdorval@stradley.com ML/RB

Cathy and Mark, any updates on payment? I would appreciate hearing from you today since Christmas is Friday. Santa's sleigh is going to be pretty empty without funding on this.

I also would like to hear your response to Dale about whether there are sufficient funds to pay allowed administrative claims. It would be nice to confirm to him that the prior representations about having enough funds to pay allowed claims has not changed.

Please let me know.

Thanks.

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From: Shelton Freeman [mailto:TFreeman@lawdmyl.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 24, 2009 1:38 PM
To: Dorval, Mark
Subject: Thank You and Merry Christmas!

Mark, I really appreciate you getting back to me. Thanks and have a great holiday!

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Dorval, Mark [MDorval@STRADLEY.COM] Thursday, December 24, 2009 1:28 PM Shelton Freeman RE: Thank You and Merry Christmas!

You do the same.

From: Dorval, Mark [mailto:MDorval@STRADLEY.COM] Sent: Monday, December 28, 2009 2:30 PM To: Shelton Freeman Subject: FW: 2:08-bk-07465-RJH Notice of Appeal (255.00 fee)

Tony:

I'm sorry you got this via e-mail before you heard from me. I have been stuck in a hearing in DE all day, and my colleague filed this before I could call you. I will be in the office tomorrow if you'd like to talk.

Regards, Mark

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MICHAEL P ANTHONY on behalf of Creditor Harold S. Jalowsky & Thelma D. Jalowsky, Trustees of Jalowsky Trust dated 5/31/89 manthony@carsonlawfirm.com, lreininger@carsonlawfirm.com

Shelton Freeman Monday, December 28, 2009 3:11 PM 'Dorval, Mark' RE: 2:08-bk-07465-RJH Notice of Appeal (255.00 fee)

I'm available at 10:00 a.m. AZ time.

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#### From: Dorval, Mark [mailto:MDorval@STRADLEY.COM] Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2009 6:53 AM To: Shelton Freeman Subject:

Tony:

I will need to move our call until tomorrow due to some emergencies here. Unfortunately, other than me, our bankruptcy department is out of town this week. Apparently, I did not get the memo. I should here most of the day tomorrow if there is a time that you are available.

Regards, Mark

### Mark J. Dorval

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From: Shelton Freeman [mailto:TFreeman@lawdmyl.com] Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2009 11:18 AM To: Dorval, Mark Subject: RE:

Mark, how about 10 AZ time tomorrow?

## **Tony Freeman**

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Dorval, Mark [MDorval@STRADLEY.COM] Tuesday, December 29, 2009 4:02 PM Shelton Freeman RE:

Tony:

Will you be in on Thursday? I understand if you are not and can't talk then - I apologize that I have changed this twice, now. It really has been day-to-day to get everything done with so many people out of the office. However, that is my issue, and I don't want to keep pushing off our call. If you have time Thursday, I'm available until 2:00 p.m. EST.

Thanks. Mark .

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EXHIBIT 2

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9	IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT			
10	In re:	TRICT OF ARIZONA Chapter 11		
11 12	MORTGAGES LTD.,	Case No. 2:08-bk-07465-RJH		
12	NORTGAGES LTD.,			
14		ORDER RE: LIQUIDATING TRUST'S MOTION FOR EXPEDITED HEARING		
15	Debtor.			
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18	The Court having reviewed (1) the "Motion For Expedited Hearing On			
19 20	Liquidating Trust's Motion For Stay Pending Appeal" ("Expedited Hearing Motion")			
20	filed by Kevin T. O'Halloran, Trustee of the Liquidating Trust of Mortgages Ltd.			
22	("Liquidating Trustee"); (2) " <u>Radical Bunny, L.L.C.'s (1) Objection To The Form Of</u>			
23	Order Re: Liquidating Trust's Motion For Expedited Hearing On Its Motion For Stay Pending			
24	Appeal; And (2) Response And Objection To Motion For Expedited Hearing On Liquidating Trust's Motion For Stay Pending Appeal"; and (3) this Court's "Order			
25	Approving Allowance & Payment Of Substantial Contribution Claim Pursuant To 11			
26	<u>U.S.C. § 503(b)(3)(D) And (4)</u> " (Docket No. 2521) ("Payment Order"), and being fully apprised of the matter, and for good cause shown, orders as follows:			
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1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Liquidating Trust's Expedited Hearing 2 Motion is granted subject to the additional conditions of this Order;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no party shall execute on the Payment Order, and that Liquidating Trustee shall not disburse any funds from the Liquidating Trust (including disbursement of any advances from the Exit Financing) for any purpose, without approval of this Court, until a hearing on the Liquidating Trust's Motion for Stay Pending Appeal ("Stay Motion"), and Radical Bunny L.L.C.'s response and objection to that Stay Motion, and related Motion to Compel Immediate Payment ("Payment Motion"), is held;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that responses or objections to the Liquidating Trust's Stay Motion and responses or objections to Radical Bunny L.L.C.'s Payment Motion shall be filed no later than January \_\_\_\_, 2010;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing is set on January \_\_\_\_, 2010, at \_: 14 \_ .m., United Stated Bankruptcy Court, 230 N. First Avenue, Courtroom 603, 6th 15 Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85003, on the Stay Motion and Payment Motion; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Radical Bunny L.L.C. shall immediately 17 serve a copy of this Order on all interested parties and file a Certificate of Service 18 for same. 19

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ORDERED, DATED AND SIGNED ABOVE.

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