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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

In re: No. 2-08-bk-07465-RJH

MORTGAGES LTD., CHAPTER 11

Debtor. MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE HEARINGS RE: PENDING MOTIONS OF RADICAL

BUNNY, L.L.C. AND FTI CONSULTING, INC. CONCERNING PAYMENT AND SEQUESTRATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE

**EXPENSES** 

FTI Consulting, Inc. ("FTI") and Radical Bunny, L.L.C. ("Radical Bunny") have filed motions addressing the payment, sequestration and potential disgorgement of administrative fees paid or to be paid in these proceedings. The FTI Motions and the Radical Bunny Motion all address the concern of whether the reorganized debtor has the funds necessary to pay allowed administrative claims in these proceedings and, if not, how any shortfall is to be apportioned among the various administrative claimants. The Court has set the Radical Bunny Motion for Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. FTI respectfully requests that the Court set the FTI Motions for hearing at that same date and time. This motion is supported by the attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities.

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<sup>1</sup> See Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment Awarding Radical Bunny, L.L.C.'s Administrative Priority Claim for Substantial Contribution and Request for Indicative Ruling Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 62.1 (the "Motion to Alter/Amend") [DE 2557]; Motion for Order Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3020 Requiring Segregation of Funds and for Compliance with Confirmed Plan of Reorganization (the "3020 Motion" and, with the Motion to Alter/Amend, the "FTI Motions") [DE 2556]; Radical Bunny, L.L.C.'s: (1) Response and Objection to Liquidating Trust's Motion for Stay Pending Appeal; and (2) Motion to Compel Immediate Payment (the "Radical Bunny Motion") [DE 2548].

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DATED this 5th day of January, 2010.

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#### **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

On January 4, 2010, the Court entered its Order Granting in Part and Denving in Part Motion for Stay Pending Appeal [DE 2552], thereby mooting the Motion to Compel as it related to Kevin T. O'Halloran's, Trustee of the Liquidating Trust of Mortgages Ltd., Motion for Stay Pending Appeal ("Stay Motion") [DE 2535]. On the same day, January 4, 2010, the Court entered its Order Setting Hearing on Payment of Administrative Claim of Radical Bunny (the "Hearing Order") [DE 2554]. In the Hearing Order, the Court noted that the Radical Bunny Motion "seeks to require the Liquidating Trust to provide financial information on the status of the assets of the Liquidating Trust, the Exit Financing and reserves for administrative claims." Hearing Order at 1:15-19.

Whether funds exist to pay administrative claims is at the heart of the FTI Motions. The relief requested in the Radical Bunny Motion is inextricably linked to the relief requested in the FTI Motions, and vice versa. In fact, in Radical Bunny, L.L.C.'s (1) Objection to the Form of Order re: Liquidating Trust's Motion for Expedited Hearing on its Motion for Stay Pending Appeal; and (2) Response and Objection to Motion for Expedited Hearing on Liquidating Trust's Motion for Stay Pending Appeal ("Objection") [DE 2542], Radical Bunny attaches an e-mail dated December 23, 2009 where its counsel specifically states that he "would like to hear [the reorganized debtor's] response to [FTI's counsel] 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." Objection at 11. Given that the FTI Motions and the Radical Bunny Motion are directed to the issue of the reorganized debtor's ability to pay administrative fees as they are determined by this

1 Court, and also ask the Court to preserve the parties' right to pro rata treatment in the event that 2 insufficient funds exist to fully satisfy all administrative claims, FTI respectfully requests that the FTI 3 Motions and Radical Bunny Motion be considered together. 4 WHEREFORE, FTI respectfully requests that the Court hear the FTI Motions at the same 5 date and time that is currently set for it to hear the Radical Bunny Motion. A proposed form of order is 6 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and contemporaneously uploaded herewith. 7 DATED this <u>5th</u> day of January, 2010. 8 SCHIAN WALKER, P.L.C. 9 By /s/ MICHAEL R. WALKER, #003484 10 Dale C. Schian Michael R. Walker 11 Attorneys for FTI Consulting, Inc. 12 13 COPY of the foregoing 14 e-mailed this <u>5th</u> day of January, 2010, to: 15 Edward M. McDonough 16 Alvarez & Marsal Dispute Analysis & Forensic Services, LLC 17 2355 East Camelback Road, #805 Phoenix, Arizona 85016 18 emcdonough@alvarezandmarsal.com 19 Carolyn J. Johnsen, Esq. Bradley J. Stevens, Esq. 20 Todd B. Tuggle, Esq. Jennings Strauss & Salmon, P.L.C. 21 201 East Washington Street, 11th Floor Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2385 22 Attorneys for Debtor cjjohnsen@jsslaw.com 23 bstevens@jsslaw.com ttuggle@isslaw.com 24 25 /// /// 26

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