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	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT						
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	FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA						
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13	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )						
13	Plaintiff,						
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	v. ) Civil Action No.						
15	) (In the second						
10	DYNAMIC WHEELS & TIRES, INC., )						
16	a corporation, and )						
	) CONSENT DECREE AND						
17	GARY JERJERIAN, ) ORDER FOR INJUNCTIVE AND						
- '	individually, ) OTHER RELIEF						
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	Defendants.						
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WHEREAS plaintiff, the United States of America, has commenced this action by filing the Complaint herein; defendants have 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, without admitting liability for any of the matters alleged in the Complaint;

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THEREFORE, upon stipulation of plaintiff and defendants, it is
hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED as follows:

3 1. This Court has jurisdiction of the subject matter and of4 the parties.

5 2. The Complaint states a claim upon which relief may be
6 granted against the defendants under Sections 5(a)(1), 5(m)(1)(A),
7 13(b), 16(a) and 19 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. §§
8 45(a)(1), 45(m)(1)(A), 53(b), 56(a) and 57b.

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## DEFINITIONS

3. For the purposes of this Consent Decree, the term "Rule" means the Federal Trade Commission's Trade Regulation Rule Concerning Mail or Telephone Order Merchandise, 16 C.F.R. Part 435, or as the Rule may hereafter be amended. A copy of the Rule is attached hereto as "Appendix A" and incorporated herein as if fully set forth verbatim.

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#### CIVIL PENALTY

17 4. Defendants must pay to plaintiff a civil penalty, pursuant to section 5(m)(1)(A) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. 18 19 § 45(m)(1)(A), in the amount of two hundred thousand dollars 20 (\$200,000.00). Defendants are jointly and severally liable for 21 payment of the civil penalty. Based on defendants' sworn 22 representations in their financial statements dated December 27, 2001, March 19, 2002, and May 13, 2002, filed with the Federal Trade 23 24 Commission, payment of the monetary civil penalty is suspended, 25 contingent upon the accuracy and completeness of their financial 26 statements.

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Plaintiff's agreement to this consent decree is expressly 1 5. 2 premised upon the truthfulness, accuracy, and completeness of the 3 financial condition of defendants, as represented in the financial statements referenced above, which contain material information upon 4 5 which the plaintiff relied in negotiating and agreeing to suspend the civil penalty stated in the consent decree. If, upon motion by the 6 7 plaintiff, this Court finds that either defendant made any material misrepresentation in or omission from either of the financial 8 statements, the entire amount of the \$200,000.00 suspended judgment 9 10 entered against defendants will be immediately due and payable. In connection with any such motion, the only issue shall be whether the 11 12 financial information either defendant provided in either of the financial statements was fraudulent, misleading, inaccurate or 13 14 incomplete in any material respect. For purposes of this paragraph, 15 and any subsequent proceedings to enforce payment, including but not limited to a nondischargeability complaint filed in any bankruptcy 16 17 proceeding, defendants waive any right to contest any of the allegations of plaintiff's Complaint. 18

19 6. In the event of any default in payment, which default 20 continues for ten (10) days beyond the due date of payment, the 21 entire unpaid penalty, together with interest, as computed pursuant 22 to 28 U.S.C. § 1961, from the date of default to the date of payment, 23 will immediately become due and payable.

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2 7. Defendants must, within fifteen (15) business days after 3 service of this Consent Decree, compile from their regularly kept business records and from any other information made available to 4 5 them by Plaintiff, a list containing each buyer, from January 1, 2000, to the date of entry of this Consent Decree, who paid 6 7 defendants for merchandise that was never shipped to the buyer, his or her name, last known address, and the difference between what the 8 9 buyer paid for the merchandise and the amount, if any, defendants 10 refunded to the buyer. Defendants must, within thirty (30) business days after service of this Consent Decree, reimburse each buyer on 11 12 this list the difference between the amount the buyer paid and the amount (if any) defendants refunded. 13

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# **INJUNCTION**

8. Defendants, their successors and assigns, and their officers, agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and all other persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Consent Decree by personal service or otherwise, are hereby enjoined from violating, directly or through any corporation, subsidiary, division or other device, any provision of the Rule, including but not limited to:

e. Soliciting orders for the sale of merchandise by mail,
telephone, facsimile or Internet unless they have a
reasonable basis to expect that they can ship such
merchandise within the time stated in the solicitation or,
if no time is stated clearly and conspicuously in the

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1 solicitation, within thirty (30) days after receipt of a
2 properly completed order, as required by 16 C.F.R.
3 § 435.1(a)(1);

Failing to offer to the buyer, clearly and conspicuously 4 f. 5 and without prior demand, an option either to consent to a delay in shipping or to cancel the order and receive a 6 7 prompt refund, as required by 16 C.F.R. § 435.1(b)(1); and Failing to deem an order canceled and to make a prompt 8 g. refund, as "refund" and "prompt refund" are defined in 9 10 Sections 435.2(e)-(f) of the Rule, to buyers who are entitled to such refunds under 16 C.F.R. § 435.1(c). 11

9. In the event the Rule is hereafter amended or modified,
defendants' compliance with that Rule as so amended or modified will
not be deemed a violation of this injunction.

### COMPLIANCE

16 Defendants Dynamic Wheels & Tires, Inc., and Gary 10. 17 Jerjerian must, within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Consent 18 Decree, provide a copy of this Consent Decree and the Business Guide 19 to the Federal Trade Commission's Mail or Telephone Order Merchandise Rule (Jan. 1995) ("Business Guide") to each of their supervisory or 20 21 managerial agents, servants, employees and attorneys who are engaged 22 in defendants' mail, telephone, facsimile or Internet order sales business, secure from each such person a signed statement 23 24 acknowledging receipt of a copy of this Consent Decree and Business 25 Guide, and must, within ten (10) days of complying with this 26 paragraph, file an affidavit with the Associate Director, Division of 27

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Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission,
 Washington, D.C. 20580, setting forth the fact and manner of their
 compliance, including the name and title of each person to whom a
 copy of the Consent Decree and Business Guide has been provided.

5 11. For a period of five (5) years from the date of entry of 6 this Consent Decree, the defendants must maintain and make available 7 to the Federal Trade Commission, within seven (7) days of the date of 8 receipt of a written request, business records demonstrating 9 compliance with the terms and provisions of this Consent Decree.

10 12. For a period of seven (7) years from the date of entry of this Consent Decree, the corporate defendant, its successors and 11 12 assigns, must notify the Associate Director, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, 13 14 D.C. 20580, at least thirty (30) days prior to any merger, 15 incorporation, dissolution, assignment, sale resulting in the emergence of a successor corporation, creation or dissolution of a 16 17 subsidiary or parent, or any other changes in corporate status which 18 may affect defendant's obligations under this Consent Decree. 19 Provided, however, with respect to any proposed change in the 20 corporation about which defendant learns less than thirty (30) days 21 prior to the date such action is to take place, defendant must notify 22 the Commission's Associate Director for Enforcement as soon as practicable after obtaining such knowledge. 23

13. For a period of five (5) years from the date of entry of this Consent Decree, the individual defendant must notify the Commission's Associate Director for Enforcement within thirty (30) 27

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days of any change in his or her affiliation with, or change in his 1 2 or her active participation in the management or direction of, any 3 business which is engaged in the sale or distribution of merchandise 4 covered by the Rule. Provided, however, with respect to any change 5 in his affiliation or participation, as aforesaid, about which defendant learns less than thirty (30) days prior to the date such 6 7 action is to take place, defendant must notify the Commission's Associate Director for Enforcement as soon as practicable after 8 9 obtaining such knowledge.

10 14. One hundred twenty (120) days after entry of this Consent 11 Decree, defendants must provide a written report to the Federal Trade 12 Commission, sworn to under penalty of perjury, setting forth in 13 detail the manner and form in which defendants have complied and are 14 complying with this Consent Decree. This report must include and is 15 not limited to:

a. a specimen copy of each delay option notice used for
purposes of complying with any provision of the Rule, and
a statement setting forth in detail the procedures in
place and method for providing such notices to consumers
in a timely fashion;

b. a specimen copy of each advertisement, telemarketing or
telephone script that contains a shipping or delivery
representation, and all procedures for making a shipping
or delivery representation to the buyer;

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- 1 c. a statement setting forth in detail defendants' procedures
  2 for providing prompt refunds to buyers pursuant to the
  3 Rule;
- d. a statement setting forth in detail defendants' use (if any) of cancellation or restocking fees, a list of names and addresses of consumers assessed any cancellation or restocking fees by the company, and the reasons for assessing the fees;
- 9 e. a statement setting forth in detail the basis for claiming
  10 that defendants will ship merchandise:
- i. within the time stated in any advertisement or
   representation to the buyer before or at the time of
   sale;
- 14 ii. within thirty (30) days, where no time is stated 15 clearly and conspicuously in any advertisement or is 16 made to the buyer before or at the time of sale; and 17 f. a statement setting forth in detail the manner and form in 18 which defendants have satisfied all redress obligations

19 required by this Consent Decree, including, but not 20 limited to, a copy of the list compiled pursuant to 21 Paragraph 7 of this Consent Decree, and the amount of 22 redress paid to each consumer on this list.

23 Defendants must mail this written report to the Associate Director 24 for Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade 25 Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580.

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1 15. Defendants are hereby required, in accordance with 31 2 U.S.C. § 7701, to furnish to the Federal Trade Commission their 3 taxpayer identifying numbers (employer identification and Social 4 Security numbers), which will be used for purposes of collecting and 5 reporting on any delinquent amount arising out of their relationship 6 with the government.

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# CONTINUING JURISDICTION

8 16. This Court will retain jurisdiction of this matter for the 9 purposes of enabling any of the parties to this Consent Decree to 10 apply to the Court at any time for such further orders or directives 11 as may be necessary or appropriate for the interpretation or 12 modification of this Consent Decree, for the enforcement of 13 compliance therewith, or for the punishment of violations thereof.

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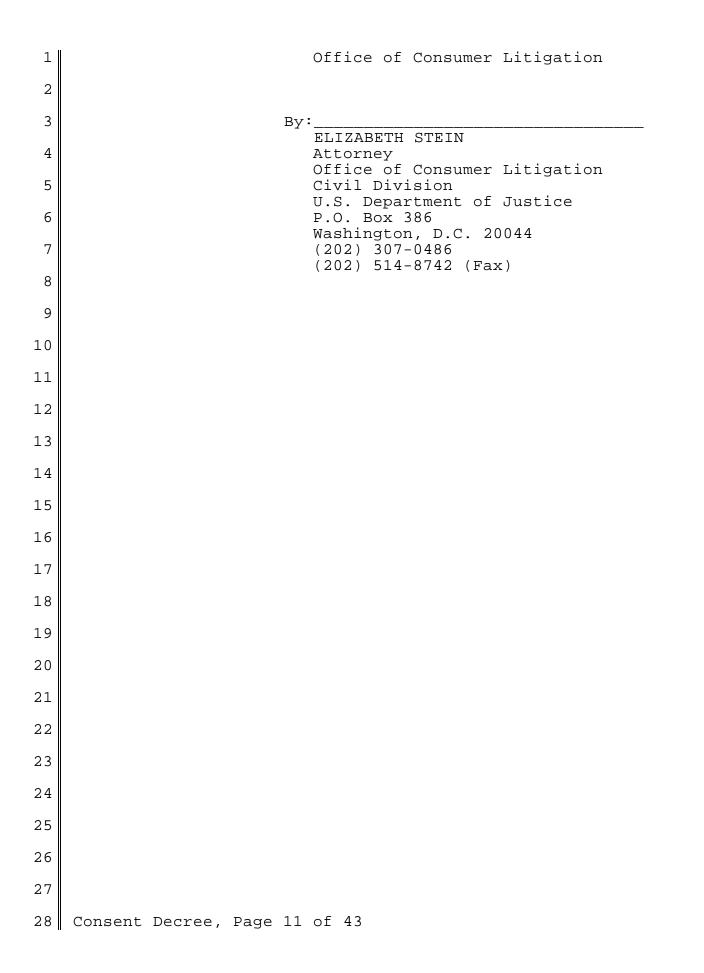
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1	JUDGMENT IS THEREFORE ENTERED in favor of plaintiff and against							
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3	Dated this day of, 2002.							
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8	The parties hereby consent to the terms and conditions of the							
9	Consent Decree as set forth above and consent to the entry thereof.							
10	Defendants waive any rights that may arise under the Equal Access to							
11	Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, concerning the investigation and							
12	prosecution of this action.							
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