## **STATE OF NEBRASKA** Department of Banking & Finance

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IN THE MATTER OF:

**Electronic Surety Bonds** 

ORDER ADOPTING ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTRONIC SURETY BONDS FOR MORTGAGE BANKERS, INSTALLMENT LOAN LICENSEES, INSTALLMENT SALES LICENSEES, MONEY TRANSMITTER LICENSEES

THIS MATTER comes before the Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance ("Department"), by and through its Director, pursuant to its authority under the Nebraska Residential Mortgage Licensing Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 45-701 to 45-754 (Reissue 2010; Cum. Supp. 2016 LB 750, 2018), the Nebraska Installment Loan Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 45-1001 to 45-1069 (Reissue 2010; Cum. Supp. 2016; Supp. 2017; LB 194, 2018), the Nebraska Installment Sales Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 45-334 to 45-356 (Reissue 2010; Cum. Supp. 2016; Supp. 2017), and the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act, §§ 8-2701 to 8-2748 (Cum. Supp. 2016; Supp. 2017).

1. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-748 (Reissue 2010) requires the Department to process licensing for mortgage bankers and registrants through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System ("NMLS").

2. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-724 (Reissue 2010) requires mortgage banker licensees to file a surety bond with the Department.

3. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-1033.01 (Reissue 2010) requires the Department to process licensing for installment loan companies through the NMLS.

4. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-1007 (Reissue 2010) requires installment loan licensees to file a surety bond with the Department.

5. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-354 (Cum Supp. 2016) requires the Department to process licensing for installment sales companies through the NMLS.

6. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-346 (Supp. 2017) requires installment sales licensees to file a surety bond with the Department.

7. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 8-2730 (Cum Supp. 2016) requires the Department to process licensing for money transmitter companies through the NMLS.

8. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 8-2727 (Supp. 2017) requires money transmitter licensees to file a surety bond with the Department.

9. Licensees under all of the Acts referenced above are now able to submit electronic formatted surety bonds to the Department via the NMLS.

10. The adoption of the filing of electronic surety bonds through the NMLS is necessary to promote efficiency, and to provide uniformity, among the states and to allow licensed entities to submit electronic surety bonds to the Department via the NMLS.

11. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-748 (Reissue 2010); Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-1033.01 (Reissue 2010); Neb. Rev. Stat. § 45-354 (Cum. Supp. 2016); and Neb. Rev. Stat. § 8-2730 (Cum. Supp. 2016) provide that the Director may adopt by Order any requirements necessary for participating in the NMLS.

12. The Director has concluded that an Order implementing Department acceptance of electronic surety bonds under all of the above-named Acts is in the best interest of licensees of the Department.

## **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** as follows:

1. All mortgage banker licensees, mortgage banker registrants, installment loan licensees, installment sales licensees, installment sales registrants, money transmitter licensees, and

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applicants for any such license or registration shall submit electronic surety bonds to the Department via the NMLS.

2. A copy of this Order shall be made publicly available on the Department's website. In addition, the Department shall provide notice of this Order to each affected person as of the date of this Order and to each affected licensee with a pending license application as of the date of this Order. This notice shall be made by emailing a copy of this Order to the email address of record with the Department.

3. This Order shall remain in effect until subsequently modified or vacated by Order of the Director.

4. The effective date of this Order shall be the date of the Director's signature.

DATED this **<u>25</u>** day of January, 2019.



## STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE

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