# #2002-57

# AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN The First National Bank of Limon Limon, Colorado and The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

The First National Bank of Limon, Limon, Colorado (Bank) and the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America (Comptroller) wish to protect the interests of the depositors, other customers, and shareholders of the Bank, and, toward that end, wish the Bank to operate safely and soundly and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

The Comptroller, through his National Bank Examiner, has examined the Bank, and his findings are contained in the Report of Examination, dated April 22, 2002 (ROE).

In consideration of the above premises, it is agreed, between the Bank, by and through its duly elected and acting Board of Directors (Board), and the Comptroller, through his authorized representative, that the Bank shall operate at all times in compliance with the articles of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE I

#### JURISDICTION

(1) This Agreement shall be construed to be a "written agreement entered into with the agency" within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b)(1).

(2) This Agreement shall be construed to be a "written agreement between such depository institution and such agency" within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(1) and 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(2).

(3) This Agreement shall be construed to be a "formal written agreement" within the meaning of 12 C.F.R. § 5.51(c)(6)(ii). See 12 U.S.C. § 1831i.

(4) This Agreement shall be construed to be a "written agreement" within the meaning of 12 U.S.C. § 1818(u)(1)(A).

(5) All reports or plans which the Bank or Board has agreed to submit to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller pursuant to this Agreement shall be forwarded to the:

Assistant Deputy Comptroller Denver Field Office 1099 18th Street, Suite 2650 Denver, Colorado 80202-1926

# ARTICLE II

# COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

(1) Within thirty (30) days, the Board shall appoint a Compliance Committee of at least three (3) directors, of which no more than one (1) shall be an employee of the Bank or any of its affiliates (as the term "affiliate" is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 371c(b)(1)), or a family member of any such person. Upon appointment, the names of the members of the Compliance Committee shall be submitted in writing to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller. The Compliance Committee shall be responsible for monitoring and coordinating the Bank's adherence to the provisions of this Agreement.

(2) The Compliance Committee shall meet at least monthly.

(3) Within thirty (30) days of the appointment of the Committee and quarterly thereafter, the Compliance Committee shall submit a written progress report to the Board setting forth in detail:

- (a) actions taken to comply with each Article of this Agreement; and
- (b) the results of those actions.

(4) The Board shall forward a copy of the Compliance Committee's report, with any additional comments by the Board, to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

## ARTICLE III

## **BANK SECRECY ACT - INTERNAL CONTROLS**

(1) Within sixty (60) days, the Board shall develop, implement, and thereafter ensure Bank adherence to a written program of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended (31 U.S.C. §§ 5311 - 5330), the regulations promulgated thereunder at 31 C.F.R. Part 103, as amended, and 12 C.F.R. Part 21, Subparts B and C (collectively referred to as the Bank Secrecy Act). At a minimum, this written program shall establish:

- (a) a system of internal controls and independent testing and auditing to ensure ongoing compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act;
- (b) operating procedures for both the opening of new accounts and the monitoring of high risk accounts;
- (c) adequate controls and procedures to ensure that all suspicious and large currency transactions are identified and reported. Procedures should be comprehensive as to all points of cash entry and exit;
- (d) procedures to ensure that records are maintained on monetary instrument transactions and funds transfers, as required by the Bank Secrecy Act;
- (e) comprehensive procedures to identify and report to appropriate management personnel:

- (i) frequent or large volume cash deposits or wire transfers or book entry transfers to or from offshore or domestic entities or individuals;
- (ii) wire transfers or book entry transfers that are deposited into several accounts;
- (iii) receipt and disbursement of wire transfers or book entry transfers without an apparent business reason;
- (iv) receipt and disbursement of wire transfers or book entry transferswhen they are inconsistent with the customer's business;
- (v) receipt and disbursement of currency or monetary instrumentswhen they are inconsistent with the customer's business; and
- (vi) bank accounts opened in the name of a casa de cambio (money exchange house) or any "financial institution" as defined in 31
  C.F.R. § 103.11(n) (bank, broker/dealer, currency dealer or exchanger, issuer or seller or redeemer of traveler's checks or money orders, transmitter of funds, telegraph company, casino, etc.);
- (f) a comprehensive training program for all appropriate operational and supervisory personnel to ensure their awareness of and compliance with the requirements of the Bank Secrecy Act and the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), including the currency reporting and monetary instrument and funds transfer recordkeeping requirements, and the

reporting requirements associated with Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) pursuant to 12 C.F.R. Part 21, Subpart B;

- (g) an officer who will be responsible for filing Currency Transaction Reports
   (CTRs), Reports of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary
   Instruments (CMIRs), and Reports of Foreign Bank and Financial
   Accounts (FBARs);
- (h) comprehensive guidelines and procedures to identify and report both the shipment and receipt of currency or monetary instruments via common couriers, including guidelines with detailed procedures covering and addressing improperly labeled courier pouches containing monetary instruments, as well as related procedures for reporting and filing SARs for such pouches; and
- (i) comprehensive guidelines, procedures, and systems for compliance with the rules and regulations of the OFAC.

(2) Upon completion, a copy of this program shall be submitted to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller for review. In the event the Assistant Deputy Comptroller recommends changes to the program, the Board shall immediately incorporate those changes into the program.

(3) The Board shall ensure that the Bank has processes, personnel, and control systems to ensure implementation of and adherence to the program developed pursuant to this Article.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **BANK SECRECY ACT - COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

(1) Within thirty (30) days, the Board shall appoint a capable officer of the Bank who shall be vested with sufficient authority to monitor and ensure the Bank's compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act and the rules and regulations of the OFAC. This compliance officer shall report directly to the Board and shall be completely independent of the Bank's management. This officer shall be responsible for the complete and timely filing of all reports required under the Bank Secrecy Act, including, but not limited to, CTRs and SARs.

(2) The Assistant Deputy Comptroller shall have the power of veto over the appointment of the proposed officer. However, the failure to exercise such veto power shall not constitute an approval or endorsement of the proposed officer.

(3) The requirement to submit information and the prior veto provisions of this Article are based on the authority of 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b) and do not require the Comptroller to complete his review and act on any such information or authority within ninety (90) days.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **BANK SECRECY ACT - AUDIT FUNCTION**

(1) Within thirty (30) days, the Board shall review and evaluate the level of service and ability of the audit function currently being provided by its independent consultant. Such an assessment should include the Board's expectations of how the independent consultant can assist in ensuring the Bank's compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act, and the rules and regulations of the OFAC. (2) Within sixty (60) days, the Board shall expand the Bank's existing audit procedures to include:

- (a) development of a program to test the adequacy of internal controls
   designed to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Bank Secrecy
   Act;
- (b) prompt management response and follow-up to all audit exceptions or other recommendations of the Bank's auditor; and
- (c) a risk based approach to Bank Secrecy Act compliance that includes transactional testing and verification of data for higher risk accounts or geographic areas of specific concern.

## ARTICLE VI

## CONSUMER COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

(1) Within sixty (60) days, the Bank shall adopt, implement, and thereafter ensure adherence to a written consumer compliance program designed to ensure that the Bank is operating in compliance with all applicable consumer protection laws, rules, and regulations. This program shall include, but not be limited to:

- (a) a written description of the duties and responsibilities of the compliance officer;
- (b) adequate internal controls to ensure compliance with consumer protection laws, rules, and regulations;

- (c) the preparation of a policies and procedures manual covering all consumer protection laws, rules, and regulations for use by appropriate Bank personnel in the performance of their duties and responsibilities;
- (d) annual updates of the written policies and procedures manual to ensure it remains current;
- (e) an audit program to test for compliance with consumer protection laws, rules, and regulations;
- (f) procedures to ensure that exceptions noted in the audit reports are corrected and responded to by the appropriate Bank personnel;
- (g) the education and training of all appropriate Bank personnel in the requirements of all federal and state consumer protection laws, rules, and regulations; and
- (h) periodic reporting of the results of the consumer compliance audit to the Board or a committee thereof.

Upon adoption, a copy of the program shall be forwarded to the Assistant DeputyComptroller for review.

(3) The Board shall ensure that the Bank has processes, personnel, and control systems to ensure implementation of and adherence to the program developed pursuant to this Article.

# ARTICLE VII

# VIOLATIONS OF LAW

(1) The Board shall immediately take all necessary steps to ensure that Bank management corrects each violation of law, rule, or regulation cited in the ROE and in any

subsequent Report of Examination. The quarterly progress reports required by Article II of this Agreement shall include the date and manner in which each correction has been affected during that reporting period.

(2) Within sixty (60) days, the Board shall adopt, implement, and thereafter ensure Bank adherence to specific procedures to prevent future violations as cited in the ROE and shall adopt, implement, and ensure Bank adherence to general procedures addressing compliance management which incorporate internal control systems and education of employees regarding laws, rules, and regulations applicable to their areas of responsibility.

(3) Upon adoption, a copy of these procedures shall be promptly forwarded to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

(4) The Board shall ensure that the bank has policies, processes, personnel, and control systems to ensure implementation of and adherence to the procedures developed pursuant to this Article.

#### ARTICLE VIII

## **CLOSING**

(1) Although the Board has agreed to submit certain programs and reports to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller for review or approval, the Board has the ultimate responsibility for proper and sound management of the Bank.

(2) In each instance in this Agreement in which the Board is required to ensure adherence to, and undertake to perform certain obligations of the Bank, it is intended to mean that the Board shall: (i) authorize and adopt such actions on behalf of the Bank as may be necessary for the Bank to perform its obligations and undertakings under the terms of this Agreement; (ii) require the timely reporting by Bank management of such actions directed by the Board to be taken under the terms of this Agreement; (iii) follow-up on any noncompliance with such actions in a timely and appropriate manner; and (iv) require corrective action be taken in a timely manner of any noncompliance with such actions.

(3) It is expressly and clearly understood that if, at any time, the Comptroller deems it appropriate in fulfilling the responsibilities placed upon him by the several laws of the United States of America to undertake any action affecting the Bank, nothing in this Agreement shall in any way inhibit, estop, bar, or otherwise prevent the Comptroller from so doing.

(4) Any time limitations imposed by this Agreement shall begin to run from the effective date of this Agreement. Such time requirements may be extended in writing by the Assistant Deputy Comptroller for good cause upon written application by the Board.

(5) The provisions of this Agreement shall be effective upon execution by the parties hereto and its provisions shall continue in full force and effect unless or until such provisions are amended in writing by mutual consent of the parties to the Agreement or excepted, waived, or terminated in writing by the Comptroller.

(6) This Agreement is intended, and shall be construed to be a supervisory "written agreement entered into with the agency" as contemplated by 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b)(1), and expressly does not form, and may not be construed to form, a contract binding on the OCC or the United States. Notwithstanding the absence of mutuality of obligation, or of consideration, or of a contract, the OCC may enforce the commitments or obligations herein undertaken by the Bank under its supervisory powers, including 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b)(1), and not as a matter of contract law. The Bank expressly acknowledges that neither the Bank nor the OCC has any intention to enter into a contract. The Bank also expressly acknowledges that no OCC officer or employee

has statutory or other authority to bind the United States, the U.S. Treasury Department, the OCC, or any other federal bank regulatory agency or entity, or any officer or employee of any of those entities to a contract affecting the OCC's exercise of its supervisory responsibilities. The terms of this Agreement, including this paragraph, are not subject to amendment or modification by any extraneous expression, prior agreements or arrangements, or negotiations between the parties, oral or written.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned, authorized by the Comptroller, has hereunto set her hand on behalf of the Comptroller.

/s/ Cathy L. Doperalski Cathy L. Doperalski Assistant Deputy Comptroller Denver Field Office July 10, 2002 Date

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned, as the duly elected and acting Board of Directors of the Bank, have hereunto set their hands on behalf of the Bank.

Signed	7-10-02
Daniel L. Allen	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Michael L. Liggett	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Kenneth S. Liggett	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Stanley A. Barrett	Date

Signed	7/10/02
Tom Beckett	Date
Signed	7/10/02
Tom A. Peyok	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Henry Braly	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Roger Jurgens	Date
Signed	7-10-02
Kimberly L. Taussig	Date