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AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN Western National Bank Cass Lake, Minnesota and The Comptroller of the Currency

Western National Bank, Cass Lake, Minnesota ("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 has found unsafe or unsound banking practices relating to credit administration at the Bank.

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) Unless otherwise informed in writing by the Comptroller, all programs, reviews, 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:

Nancy M. Sundstrom Assistant Deputy Comptroller Minneapolis Field Office 222 South Ninth Street, Suite 800 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

ARTICLE II

LOAN PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

- (1) The Board shall, within sixty (60) days, develop, implement, and thereafter ensure Bank adherence to a written program to improve the Bank's loan portfolio management. The program shall include, but not be limited to:
 - (a) the development of and adherence to growth limits for the loan portfolio;
 - (b) the development of systems to ensure the monitoring and reporting of limits in Paragraph (a);
 - (c) procedures to ensure conformance with loan approval requirements;
 - (d) procedures to track and analyze concentrations of credit, significant
 economic factors, and general conditions and their impact on the credit
 quality of the Bank's loan and lease portfolios.
 - (e) the development of a staffing plan, which will include:
 - (i) development of job descriptions with defined duties for the senior lender and other lenders;

- (ii) the identification of skills, expertise, training of the Bank's current staff assigned to the lending area;
- (iii) an assessment and comparison of the current staff's skills,
 expertise, and training identified in Paragraph (e)(ii) of this Article
 to the skills and expertise identified in (e)(i) of this Article as
 necessary to manage the day-to-day operations of the lending area
 of the Bank consistent with this Article and to correct the
 deficiencies identified in the Report of Examination, dated as of
 December 31, 2009 ("ROE"); and
- (iv) Within thirty (30) days of the development of the staffing plan, the Board will implement the plan and direct any changes necessary to provide the Bank with management and a staff that possesses the skills and expertise identified in (e)(i) of this Article.
- (f) a performance appraisal process, including performance appraisals, job descriptions, and incentive programs for loan officers, which adequately consider their performance relative to policy compliance, documentation standards, accuracy in credit grading, and other loan administration matters;
- (g) prudent limitations on the type and size of loans that may be made by loan
 officers without prior approval by the Board or a committee established by
 the Board for this purpose; and
- (h) measures to correct the deficiencies in the Bank's lending procedures noted in the ROE.

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Upon completion, a copy of the program shall be forwarded to the AssistantDeputy Comptroller for a determination of no supervisory objection.

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

ARTICLE III

INDEPENDENT LOAN REVIEW AND ACCURATE RISK RATINGS

(1) Within sixty (60) days, the Board shall establish an effective, independent and ongoing loan review program to review the Bank's loan and lease portfolios to assure the timely identification and categorization of problem credits. The program shall use a loan and lease grading system consistent with the guidelines set for in the *Rating Credit Risk* Booklet of the Comptroller's Handbook and shall consist of:

- (a) an annual review and sampling of the loan and lease portfolio by an outside party. The Board shall submit the proposed scope of the loan review engagement to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller for review and a written determination of no supervisory objection and shall be consistent with the guidance provided in OCC Bulletin 2006-47. The engagement shall provide for a written report to be filed with the Board after each review; and
- (b) a quarterly report to the Board by Bank staff;

(2) All reports required for an effective and on-going credit risk rating program set forth in Paragraph (1) of this Article shall assure timely identification and categorization of problem credits and shall include, at a minimum, conclusions regarding:

- (a) the overall quality of the loan and lease portfolios;
- (b) the identification, type, rating, and amount of problem loans and leases;
- (c) the identification of credit and collateral exceptions;
- (d) the identification and amount of delinquent loans and leases; and
- (e) an analysis of concentrations of credit.

(3) The Board shall ensure that the loan review is conducted by staff or other outside parties who are independent of the decision making or approval process for the loans reviewed.

(4) The Board shall evaluate the internal loan and lease review report(s) and shall ensure that immediate, adequate, and continuing remedial action, if appropriate, is taken upon all findings noted in the report(s).

(5) A copy of the reports submitted to the Board, as well as documentation of the action taken by the Bank to collect or strengthen assets identified as problem credits, shall be preserved in the Bank.

ARTICLE IV

CRITICIZED ASSETS

(1) The Bank shall take immediate and continuing action to protect its interest in those assets criticized in the ROE, in any subsequent Report of Examination, by internal or external loan review, or in any list provided to management by the National Bank Examiners during any examination.

(2) Within sixty (60) days, the Board shall adopt, implement, and thereafter ensure Bank adherence to individual workout plans designed to eliminate the basis of criticism of assets criticized in the ROE, in any subsequent Report of Examination, or by any internal or external loan review, or in any list provided to management by the National Bank Examiners during any examination as "doubtful," "substandard," or "special mention." Each workout plan shall include, at a minimum:

- (a) an identification of the expected sources of repayment;
- (b) the current value of supporting collateral and the position of the Bank's lien on such collateral where applicable;
- (c) an analysis of current and satisfactory credit information, including a global cash flow analysis of the borrower's repayment ability; and
- (d) actions designed to eliminate the basis of criticism of and protect the bank's interest in the asset, including timeframes for implementing and evaluating the effectiveness of those actions.

(3) Upon adoption, a copy of the workout plans for all criticized assets equal to or exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) shall be forwarded to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

(4) The Board, or a designated committee, shall conduct a review, on at least a quarterly basis, to determine:

- (a) the status of each criticized asset or criticized portion thereof that equals or exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000);
- (b) management's adherence to the workout plans adopted pursuant to this Article;

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- (c) the status and effectiveness of the plans; and
- (d) the need to revise the plans or take alternative action.

(5) A copy of each review shall be forwarded to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller on a quarterly basis (in a format similar to Appendix A, attached hereto).

(6) The Bank may extend credit, directly or indirectly, including renewals or extensions, to a borrower whose loans or other extensions of credit are criticized in the ROE, in any subsequent Report of Examination, in any internal or external loan review, or in any list provided to management by the National Bank Examiners during any examination and whose aggregate loans or other extensions exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) only if each of the following conditions is met:

- (a) the Board or designated committee finds that the extension of additional credit is necessary to promote the best interests of the Bank and that prior to renewing, extending or capitalizing any additional credit, a majority of the full Board (or designated committee) approves the credit extension and records, in writing, why such extension is necessary to promote the best interests of the Bank; and
- (b) a comparison to the plans adopted pursuant to this Article shows that the Board's formal plan to collect or strengthen the criticized asset will not be compromised.

(7) A copy of the approval of the Board or of the designated committee shall be maintained in the file of the affected borrower.

ARTICLE V

CREDIT AND COLLATERAL EXCEPTIONS

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(1) Within ninety (90) days the Board shall obtain current and satisfactory credit information on all loans lacking such information, including those listed in the ROE, in any subsequent Report of Examination, in any internal or external loan review, or in any listings of loans lacking such information provided to management by the National Bank Examiners at the conclusion of an examination.

(2) Within ninety (90) days the Board shall ensure proper collateral documentation is maintained on all loans and correct each collateral exception listed in the ROE, in any subsequent Report of Examination, in any internal or external loan review, or in any listings of loans lacking such information provided to management by the National Bank Examiners at the conclusion of an examination.

(3) If the Board and management are unable to obtain the credit information or collateral documentation required by paragraphs (1) and (2) of this article with sixty (60) days, the Board and management shall document their efforts to obtain such information or documentation, and maintain documentation of their efforts in the loan file.

(4) Effective immediately, the Bank may grant, extend, renew, alter or restructure any loan or other extension of credit exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) only after:

- (a) documenting the specific reason or purpose for the extension of credit;
- (b) identifying the expected source of repayment in writing;
- (c) structuring the repayment terms to coincide with the expected source of repayment;
- (d) obtaining and analyzing current and satisfactory credit information,including cash flow analysis, where loans are to be repaid from operations;

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- (i) Failure to obtain the information in (4)(d) shall require a majority of the full Board (or a delegated committee thereof) to certify in writing the specific reasons why the Bank did not obtain and analyze the information in (4)(d).
- (ii) A copy of the Board certification shall be maintained in the credit file of the affected borrower(s). The certification will be reviewed by this Office in subsequent examinations of the Bank;
- (e) documenting, with adequate supporting material, the value of collateral and properly perfecting the Bank's lien on it where applicable; and
- (f) documenting an effective appraisal review in accordance with real estate lending regulations (12 CFR Part 34), the Interagency Appraisal and Evaluation Guidelines, and OCC Bulletin 2005-6.

ARTICLE VI

CLOSING

(1) Although the Board has agreed to submit certain programs, reviews, reports or plans to the Assistant Deputy Comptroller for review or prior written determination of no supervisory objection, the Board has the ultimate responsibility for proper and sound management of the Bank.

(2) 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.

(3) 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.

(4) 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.

(5) 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:

- (a) 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;
- (b) require the timely reporting by Bank management of such actions directed by the Board to be taken under the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) follow-up on any non-compliance with such actions in a timely and appropriate manner; and
- (d) require corrective action be taken in a timely manner of any noncompliance with such actions.

(6) This Agreement is intended to be, 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 Comptroller or the United States. Notwithstanding the absence of mutuality of obligation, or of consideration, or of a contract, the Comptroller may enforce any of the commitments or obligations herein undertaken by the Bank under his 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 Comptroller has any intention to enter into a contract. The Bank also expressly acknowledges that no officer or employee of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency has statutory or other authority to bind the United States, the U.S. Treasury Department, the Comptroller, or any other federal bank regulatory agency or entity, or any officer or employee of any of those entities to a contract affecting the Comptroller's exercise of his supervisory responsibilities. The terms of this Agreement, including this paragraph, are not subject to amendment or modification by any extraneous expression, prior agreements or prior arrangements between the parties, whether oral or written.

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

/s/

Nancy M. Sundstrom Assistant Deputy Comptroller Minneapolis Field Office 7/13/2010 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.

Steven Decatur	
/s/	7/16/10
John Goldfine	Date
/s/	6/30/10
John Herrera	Date
/s/	6/30/10
Barbara Lewis	Date
/s/	7/2/2010
Stephen Lewis	Date
/s/	6/30/10
Lawrence Oakes	Date
/s/	6/29/10
Larry Refsland	Date