STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

DIVISION OF BANKING

| IN THE MATTER OF |) | |
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| |) | No. 2007-MBR-150-b |
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| Mercantile Mortgage Company |) | |
| ATTN: Ronald Noble |) | |
| 3010 Highland Parkway, Suite 500 |) | |
| Downers Grove IL 60515 |) | |

ORDER ASSESSING FINE

The DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, Division of Banking (the "Department"), having conducted a review of activities conducted by **Mercantile Mortgage**Company, (the "Licensee") and having documented violations of the Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 (the "Act") [205 ILCS 635] and the rules promulgated under the Act (the "Rules") [38 Ill. Adm. Code 1050], hereby issues this ORDER pursuant to the authority provided under Section 4-5 of the Act. The Department makes the following:

FINDINGS

- 1. That Mercantile Mortgage Company is an Illinois residential mortgage licensee holding license number MB.0000919 (the "License"), and located at 3010 Highland Parkway, Suite 500, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515;
- 2. That Licensee has failed to perform one or more of the requirements of the Act and Rules described below:
 - a. Failure of Licensee to maintain Fidelity Bond (205 ILCS 635/3-1);
- 3. That the Department made efforts as described below to advise Licensee of these unfulfilled requirements so that Licensee can comply with the Act and Rules:
 - a. That on August 27, 2007, the Department sent to Licensee a letter via U.S. mail service advising Licensee that the fidelity bond on file with the Department had expired on August 23, 2007 and that a current bond must be submitted to the Department within 10 days; and
 - b. That a Potential Disciplinary Letter was sent to Licensee on November 9, 2007 via U.S. first-class mail service and certified mail;
 - c. That Licensee has not submitted to the Department a current fidelity bond by the due date.

CONCLUSIONS

BASED UPON THE ABOVE FINDINGS, THE DEPARTMENT IS OF THE OPINION AND CONCLUDES:

- 1. That notwithstanding notices and other efforts by the Department, Licensee failed to respond and submit a current fidelity bond to the Department in a timely manner; and
- 2. That Licensee is not currently complying with the Act and Rules promulgated under the Act.

ORDER

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. That Mercantile Mortgage Company, License No. MB.0000919 shall be and hereby is assessed a fine in the amount of \$2,500;
- 2. The fine in the amount of \$2,500 shall be paid no later than ten (10) days after service of this Order upon Mercantile Mortgage Company; and
- 3. The fine in the amount of \$2,500 shall be paid by means of a certified check or money order made payable to the:

Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
Division of Banking
ATTN: FISCAL DIVISION, 2ND FLOOR
320 W. Washington Street
Springfield, IL 62786

ORDERED THIS 29^{TH} DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2007

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION DEAN MARTINEZ, SECRETARY

DIVISION OF BANKING JORGE A. SOLIS, DIRECTOR REYNOLD M. BENJAMIN

Assistant Director, Bureau of Residential Finance

You are hereby notified that this Order is an administrative decision. Pursuant to 205 ILCS 635/4-12 and 38 Ill. Adm. Code, 1050.1510 *et seq.* any party may file a request for a hearing on an administrative decision. The request for a hearing shall be filed within 10 days after the receipt of an administrative decision and if so requested, a hearing shall be held by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Banking. Absent a request for a hearing, this Order shall constitute a final administrative Order subject to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/3-101 *et seq.*].