

APPENDIX A-1

Equifax Requirements

Customer, in order to receive consumer credit information from Equifax Information Services, LLC, through CRA agrees to comply with the following conditions required by Equifax, which may be in addition to those outlined in the Customer Service Agreement (“Agreement”). Customer understands and agrees that Equifax’s delivery of information to Customer via CRA is specifically conditioned upon Customer’s agreement with the provisions set forth in this Agreement. Customer understands and agrees that these requirements pertain to all of its employees, managers and owners and that all persons having access to Equifax consumer credit information, whether existing or future employees, will be trained to understand and comply with these obligations.

1. Customer hereby agrees to comply with all current and future policies and procedures instituted by CRA and required by Equifax. CRA will give Customer as much notice as possible prior to the effective date of any such new policies required in the future, but does not guarantee that reasonable notice will be possible. Customer may terminate this agreement at any time after notification of a change in policy in the event Customer deems such compliance as not within its best interest.

2. Customer certifies that it will order and use Limited-ID or Limited DTEC reports in connection with only one of the following purposes involving the subject of the report and for no other purpose: (a) to protect against or prevent actual or potential fraud, unauthorized transactions, claims or other liability; (b) for required institutional risk control or for resolving consumer disputes or inquiries; (c) due to holding a legal or beneficial interest relating to the consumer; (d) as necessary to effect, administer, or enforce a transaction to underwrite insurance at the consumer's request, for reinsurance purposes or for the following purposes related to the consumer's insurance: account administration, reporting, investigation fraud prevention, premium payment processing, claim processing, benefit administration or research projects; (e) to persons acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity on behalf of, and with the consent of, the consumer or (f) as necessary to effect, administer, or enforce a transaction requested or authorized by the consumer, including location for collection of a delinquent account. Customer, if a government agency, certifies it will order and use Limited-ID or Limited DTEC in connection with the following purposes involving the subject and for no other purpose: (y) pursuant to FCRA Section 608 or (z) for an investigation on a matter related to public safety. Customer further certifies that it will, with each Limited ID or Limited DTEC inquiry, include the Exception Code required by Equifax that identifies the use for which Customer is ordering the information, and that because Limited ID and Limited DTEC reports are **not** consumer reports Customer will not order or use Limited ID or Limited DTEC reports, in whole or in part, to determine eligibility for credit, insurance, or for any other permissible purpose, as defined by the FCRA, for which a consumer reporting agency is permitted to furnish a consumer report.

Equifax may periodically conduct audits of Customer regarding its compliance with the FCRA and other certifications in this Agreement. Audits will be conducted by mail whenever possible and will require Customers to provide documentation as to permissible use of particular consumer, Limited ID, or Limited DTEC reports. Customer gives its consent to Equifax to conduct such audits and agrees that any failure to cooperate fully and promptly in the conduct of any audit, or Customer's material breach of this Agreement, constitute grounds for immediate suspension of service or, termination of this Agreement notwithstanding Paragraph 6 above. If Equifax terminates this Agreement due to the conditions in the preceding sentence, Customer (i) unconditionally releases and agrees to hold EQUIFAX harmless and indemnify it from and against any and all liabilities of whatever kind or nature that may arise from or relate to such termination, and (ii) covenants it will not assert any claim or cause of action of any kind or nature against Equifax in connection with such termination.

3. Customer certifies that it is not a reseller of the information, a private detective, bail bondsman, attorney, credit counseling firm, financial counseling firm, credit repair clinic, pawn shop (except companies that do only Title pawn), check cashing company, genealogical or heir research firm, dating service, massage or tattoo service, business that operates out of an apartment, an individual seeking information for his private use, an adult entertainment service of any kind, a company that locates missing children, a company that handles third party repossession, a company seeking information in connection with time shares or subscriptions, a company or individual involved in spiritual counseling or a person or entity that is not an end-user or decision-maker, unless approved in writing by Equifax.

4. Customer agrees that Equifax shall have the right to audit records of Customer that are relevant to the provision of services set forth in this agreement. Customer authorizes CRA to provide to Equifax, upon Equifax’s request, all materials and information relating to its investigations of Customer and agrees that it will respond within the requested time frame indicated for information requested by Equifax regarding Equifax information. Customer understands that Equifax may require CRA to suspend or terminate access to Equifax’s

information in the event Customer does not cooperate with any such an investigation. Customer shall remain responsible for the payment for any services provided to Customer prior to any such discontinuance.

5. Equifax information will be requested only for Customer's exclusive use and held in strict confidence except to the extent that disclosure to others is required or permitted by law. Customer agrees that Equifax information will not be forwarded or shared with any third party unless required by law or approved by Equifax. If approved by Equifax and authorized by the consumer, Customer may deliver the consumer credit information to a third party, secondary, or joint user with which Customer has an ongoing business relationship for the permissible use of such information. Customer understands that Equifax may charge a fee for the subsequent delivery to secondary users. Only designated representatives of Customer will request Equifax information on Customer's employees, and employees will be forbidden to obtain reports on themselves, associates or any other persons except in the exercise of their official duties. Customer will not disclose Equifax information to the subject of the report except as permitted or required by law, but will refer the subject to Equifax. Customer will hold Equifax and all its agents harmless on account of any expense or damage arising or resulting from the publishing or other disclosure of Equifax information by Customer, its employees or agents contrary to the conditions of this paragraph or applicable law.

6. Customer understands that it must meet the following criteria: (a) the Customer company name, including any DBA's, and the address on the Customer Application ("Application") and Agreement must match; (b) the telephone listing must be verified in the same company name and address that was provided on the Application and Agreement; (c) a copy of the current lease of the business must be reviewed by CRA to confirm the Customer is at the same address that is shown on the Application and Agreement, and the following pages of the lease must be reviewed for verification: the signature page; the address page; the terms of the lease page; landlord name and landlord contact information; (d) a copy of the principal's driver's license is required to verify the principal's identity; (e) a current business license must be supplied, and reflect the same name and at the same address provided on the Application and Agreement. (Contact CRA for valid substitutions when a license is not required by the state), and (f) an on-site inspection of the office is to be conducted by an Equifax certified company. **Note (c) and (d) are not required if the Customer is publicly traded on a nationally recognized stock exchange.*

7. Customer will be charged for Equifax consumer credit information by CRA, which is responsible for paying Equifax for such information; however, should the underlying relationship between CRA and Customer terminate at any time during this agreement, charges for Equifax consumer credit information will be invoiced to Customer, and Customer will be solely responsible to pay Equifax directly.

8. Customer agrees that it will properly dispose of all consumer information in accordance with the following. As used herein, "consumer information" means any record about an individual, whether in paper, electronic, or other form, that is a consumer report or is derived from a consumer report. Consumer information also means a compilation of such records. Consumer information does not include information that does not identify individuals, such as aggregate information or blind data. "Dispose," "disposing," or "disposal" means: (1) the discarding or abandonment of consumer information, or (2) the sale, donation, or transfer of any medium, including computer equipment, upon which consumer information is stored.

A Customer who maintains consumer information for a business purpose must properly dispose of such information by taking reasonable measures to protect against unauthorized access to or use of the information in connection with its disposal. Reasonable measures include (1) implementing and monitoring compliance with policies and procedures that require the burning, pulverizing, or shredding of papers containing consumer information so that the information cannot practicably be read or reconstructed; (2) implementing and monitoring compliance with policies and procedures that require the destruction or erasure of electronic media containing consumer information so that the information cannot practicably be read or reconstructed; and (3) after due diligence, entering into and monitoring compliance with a contract with another party engaged in the business of record destruction to dispose of material, specifically identified as consumer information, in a manner consistent with the above.

9. Customer agrees to hold harmless Equifax and its directors, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns, from and against any and all liabilities, claims, losses, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, expenses (including, without limitation, attorney's fees and costs of litigation), or liability, arising from or in any manner related to any allegation, claim, demand or suit, whether or not meritorious, brought or asserted by any third party arising out of or resulting from any actual or alleged negligence or intentional act of Customer, whether or not any negligence of Equifax is alleged to have been contributory thereto, the failure of Customer to

misuse or improper access to Equifax consumer credit information by Customer or the failure of Customer to comply with applicable laws or regulations. Customer further understands and agrees that the accuracy of any consumer credit information is not guaranteed by Equifax and releases Equifax from liability for any loss, cost, expense or damage, including attorney's fees, suffered by Customer resulting directly or indirectly from its use of consumer credit information from Equifax.

10. **EQUIFAX MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, OR GUARANTEES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, RESPECTING ACROPAC OR ANY OTHER MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, PROGRAMMING AIDS OR OTHER ITEMS UTILIZED BY CUSTOMER IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATED TO, OR RESPECTING THE ACCURACY OF, ANY EQUIFAX CREDIT INFORMATION FURNISHED BY EQUIFAX TO ANY CUSTOMER.**

11. **Fair Credit Reporting Act Certification.** Customer certifies that it will order Equifax Information Services that are consumer reports, as defined by the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. 1681 et seq. ("FCRA"), only when Customer intends to use that consumer report information: (a) in accordance with the FCRA and all state law counterparts; and (b) for one of the following permissible purposes: (i) in connection with a credit transaction involving the consumer on whom the consumer report is to be furnished and involving the extension of credit to, or review or collection of an account of, the consumer; (ii) in connection with the underwriting of insurance involving the consumer; (iii) as a potential investor or services, or current insurer, in connection with a valuation of, or an assessment of the credit or prepayment risks associated with, an existing credit obligation; (iv) when Customer otherwise has a legitimate business need for the information either in connection with a business transaction that is initiated by the consumer, or to review an account to determine whether the consumer continues to meet the terms of the accounts; or (v) for employment purposes; provided, however, that CUSTOMER IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO REQUEST OR RECEIVE CONSUMER REPORTS FOR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES UNLESS CUSTOMER HAS A SUBSCRIPTION TO THE EQUIFAX PERSONA SERVICE. Customer will use each consumer report ordered under this Agreement for one of the foregoing purposes and for no other purpose.

It is recognized and understood that the FCRA provides that anyone "who knowingly and willfully obtains information on a consumer from a consumer reporting agency (such as Equifax) under false pretenses shall be fined under Title 18, United States Code, imprisoned for not more than two (2) years, or both." Equifax may periodically conduct audits of Customer regarding its compliance with the FCRA and other certifications in this Agreement. Audits will be conducted by mail whenever possible and will require Customers to provide documentation as to permissible use of particular consumer, Limited ID, or Limited DTEC reports. Customer gives its consent to Equifax to conduct such audits and agrees that any failure to cooperate fully and promptly in the conduct of any audit, or Customer's material breach of this Agreement, constitute grounds for immediate suspension of service or, termination of this Agreement notwithstanding Paragraph 6 above. If Equifax terminates this Agreement due to the conditions in the preceding sentence, Customer (i) unconditionally releases and agrees to hold EQUIFAX harmless and indemnify it from and against any and all liabilities of whatever kind or nature that may arise from or relate to such termination, and (ii) covenants it will not assert any claim or cause of action of any kind or nature against Equifax in connection with such termination.

California Law Certification. Customer will refer to Exhibit 1-A in making the following certification, and Customer agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of the California Credit Reporting Agencies Act.

(PLEASE CHECK ("X") THE APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW)

Customer certifies that it IS or IS NOT a "retail seller," as defined in Section 1802.3 of the California Civil Code and DOES or DOES NOT issue credit to consumers who appear in person on the basis of an application for credit submitted in person.

Vermont Certification. Customer certifies that it will comply with applicable provisions under Vermont law. In particular, Customer certifies that it will order information services relating to Vermont residents that are credit reports as defined by the Vermont Fair Credit Reporting Act ("VFCRA"), only after Customer has received prior consumer consent in accordance with VFCRA Section 2480e and applicable Vermont Rules. Customer further certifies that the attached copy of Section 2480e (Exhibit 1-B) of the Vermont Fair Credit Reporting Statute was received from EQUIFAX.

Customer will comply with the applicable provisions of the FCRA, Federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act, Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act and any amendments to them, all state law counterparts of them, and all applicable regulations promulgated under any of them including, without limitation, any provisions requiring adverse action notification to the consumer.

12. This Section 12 applies to any means through which Customer orders or accesses the Information Services including, without limitation, system-to-system, direct access terminal, personal computer or the Internet; provided, however, Customer will not order or access the Information Services via the Internet without first obtaining Equifax's written permission. For the purposes of this Section 9, the term "Authorized User" means a Customer employee that Customer has authorized to order or access the Information Services and who is trained on Customer's obligations under this Agreement with respect to the ordering and use of the Information Services, and the information provided through same, including Customer's FCRA and other obligations with respect to the access and use of consumer reports. Customer will: (a) ensure that only Authorized Users can order or have access to the Information Services and the information provided through same, (b) ensure that Authorized Users do not order credit reports for personal reasons or provide them to any third party, (c) ensure that all devices used by Customer to order or access the Information Services are placed in a secure location and accessible only by Authorized Users and that these devices are secured when not in use through such means as screen locks, shutting power controls off, or other commercially reasonable security procedures, and (d) take all necessary measures to prevent unauthorized ordering or access to the Information Services by any persons other than Authorized Users for permissible purposes. Those measures will include, without limitation, limiting the knowledge of the Customer security codes, telephone access number(s) Equifax provides, and any passwords Customer may use, to Authorized Users and other employees with a need to know, changing Customer's user passwords at least every ninety (90) days, or sooner if it is obtained by any third party or an Authorized User is no longer responsible for accessing the Information Services, or if Customer suspects an unauthorized person has learned the password, and using all security features in the software and hardware Customer uses to order or access the Information Services. Customer will monitor compliance with the obligations of this Section 12, and will immediately notify Equifax if Customer suspects or knows of any unauthorized access or attempt to access the Information Services. Such monitoring will include, without limitation, a review of each Equifax invoice for the purpose of detecting any unauthorized activity. Customer will not ship hardware or software between Customer's locations or to third parties without deleting all Equifax Customer number(s), security codes, telephone access number(s) and Customer user passwords. If Customer uses a third party vendor to establish access to the Information Services, Customer is responsible for the third party vendor's use of Customer's member numbers, security access codes, or passwords. Customer will ensure the third party vendor safeguards Customer's security access code(s) and passwords through the use of security requirements that are no less stringent than those applicable to Customer under this Section 9. Customer will inform Authorized Users and other employees with a need to know that unauthorized access to consumer reports may subject them to civil and criminal liability under the FCRA punishable by fines and imprisonment. If Equifax reasonably believes that Customer has violated this Section 12, Equifax may, in addition to any other remedy authorized by this Agreement, with reasonable advance written notice to Customer and at Equifax's sole expense, conduct, or have a third party conduct on its behalf, an audit of Customer's network security systems, facilities, practices and procedures to the extent Equifax reasonably deems necessary in order to evaluate Customer's compliance with the data security requirements of this Section 12.

APPENDIX A-2

Additional Equifax Information Services

This Appendix A-2 supplements the service agreement ("Agreement") under which Customer receives, as part of its service from CRA, consumer credit report information available from Equifax Information Services LLC ("Equifax"). This Appendix contains additional information services available from Equifax, described below, that may be provided to Customer subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, and additional terms and conditions that apply to such additional information services. Customer's authorized representative must place his or her initials by each service listed below that Customer desires to receive. Customer agrees to abide by the additional terms and conditions that apply to the service(s) so selected.

_____ BEACON

_____ Pinnacle K

_____ SafeScan

_____ PERSONA

_____ North American Link

1- BEACONSM - is a consumer report credit scoring service based on a model developed by Fair, Isaac and Equifax that ranks consumers in the Equifax consumer credit database relative to other consumers in the database with respect to the likelihood of those consumers paying their accounts as agreed ("Score").

2. PinnacleSM - is a credit scoring algorithm developed by Fair, Isaac and Equifax that evaluates the likelihood that consumers will pay their existing and future credit obligations, as agreed, based on the computerized consumer credit information in the Equifax consumer reporting database.

(a) Disclosure of Scores. Customer will hold all information received from Equifax in connection with any Score received from Equifax under this Agreement in strict confidence and will not disclose that information to the consumer or to others except in accord with the following sentence or as required or permitted by law. Customer may provide the principal factors contributing to the Score to the subject of the report when those principal factors are the basis of Customer's adverse action against the subject consumer. Customer must describe the principal factors in a manner which complies with Regulation B of the ECOA.

(b) ECOA Statements. Equifax reasonably believes that, subject to validation by Customer on its own records, (1) the scoring algorithms used in the computation of the Score are empirically derived from consumer credit information from Equifax's consumer credit reporting database, and are demonstrably and statistically sound methods of rank ordering candidate records from the Equifax consumer credit database for the purposes for which the Score was designed particularly, and it is intended to be an "empirically derived, demonstrably and statistically sound credit scoring system" as defined in Regulation B, with the understanding that the term "empirically derived, demonstrably and statistically sound," is defined only in a general manner by Regulation B, and has not been the subject of any significant interpretation; and (2) the scoring algorithms comprising the Score, except as permitted, do not use a "prohibited basis," as such phrase is defined in Regulation B. Customer must validate the Score on its own records. Customer will be responsible for meeting its requirements under the ECOA and Regulation B.

(c) Release. Equifax does not guarantee the predictive value of the Score with respect to any individual, and does not intend to characterize any individual as to credit capability. Neither Equifax nor its directors, officers, employees, agents, subsidiary and affiliated companies, or any third-party contractors, licensors or suppliers of Equifax will be liable to Customer for any damages, losses, costs or expenses incurred by Customer resulting from any failure of a Score to accurately predict the credit worthiness of Customer's applicants or customers. In the event the Score is not correctly applied by Equifax to any credit file, Equifax's sole responsibility will be to reprocess the credit file through the Score at no additional charge.

(d) Audit of Models. Customer may audit a sample of the Scores and principal factors and compare them to the anonymous underlying credit reports in accordance with Equifax's audit procedures. If the Scores and principal reasons are not substantiated by the credit files provided for the audit, Equifax will review programming of the model and make corrections as necessary until the

Scores and principal reasons are substantiated by the audit sample credit reports. After that review and approval, Customer will be deemed to have accepted the resulting Score and principal factors delivered. It is Customer's sole responsibility to validate all scoring models on its own records and performance

(e) Confidentiality. Customer will hold all Scores received from Equifax under this Agreement in strict confidence and will not disclose any Score to the consumer or to others except as required or permitted by law. Customer may provide the principal factors contributing to the Score to the subject of the report when those principal factors are the basis of Customer's adverse action against the subject consumer. Customer must describe the principal factors in a manner which complies with Regulation B of the ECOA. Further, Customer acknowledges that the Score and factors are proprietary and that, except for (a) disclosure to the subject consumer if Customer has taken adverse action against such consumer based in whole or in part on the consumer report with which the Score was delivered or (b) as required by law, Customer will not provide the Score to any other party without Equifax's and Fair, Isaac's prior written consent.

(f) Limited Liability. The combined liability of Equifax and Fair, Isaac arising from any particular Score provided by Equifax and Fair, Isaac shall be limited to the aggregate amount of money received by Equifax from Customer with respect to that particular Score during the preceding twelve (12) months prior to the date of the event that gave rise to the cause of action.

(g) Adverse Action. Customer shall not use a Score as the basis for an "Adverse Action" as defined by the Equal Credit Opportunity Act or Regulation B, unless score factor codes have been delivered to Customer along with the Score.

3. SAFESCAN®

SAFESCAN is an on-line warning system containing information that can be used to detect possible fraudulent applications for credit. Some of the information in the SAFESCAN database is provided by credit grantors. SAFESCAN is a registered trademark of Equifax.

Permitted Use. SAFESCAN is not based on information in Equifax's consumer reporting database and is not intended to be used as a consumer report. Customer will not use a SAFESCAN alert or warning message in its decision-making process for denying credit or any other FCRA permissible purpose, but will use the message as an indication that the consumer's application information should be independently verified prior to a credit or other decision. Customer understands that the information supplied by SAFESCAN may or may not apply to the consumer about whom Customer has inquired.

4. PERSONA® and PERSONA PLUS® - are consumer reports, from the Equifax consumer credit database, consisting of limited identification information, credit file inquiries, public record information, credit account trade lines, and employment information.

FCRA Certification. Customer will notify Equifax whenever a consumer report will be used for employment purposes. Customer certifies that, before ordering each consumer report to be used in connection with employment purposes, it will clearly and conspicuously disclose to the subject consumer, in a written document consisting solely of the disclosure, that Customer may obtain a consumer report for employment purposes, and will also obtain the consumer's written authorization to obtain or procure a consumer report relating to that consumer. Customer further certifies that it will not take adverse action against the consumer based in whole or in part upon the consumer report without first providing to the consumer to whom the consumer report relates a copy of the consumer report and a written description of the consumer's rights as prescribed by the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") under Section 609(c)(3) of the FCRA, and will also not use any information from the consumer report in violation of any applicable federal or state equal employment opportunity law or regulation. Customer acknowledges that it has received from Equifax a copy of the written disclosure form prescribed by the FTC.

5. North American Link

(a) Desiring to obtain credit reporting services on residents of the United States and Canada through Equifax's North American Link access mechanism, Customer understands that credit reporting services on residents of Canada will be provided from the credit reporting database of Equifax Canada Inc. Customer further understands that Equifax is merely facilitating access and receipt of credit reporting services from Equifax Canada Inc. and that Equifax has not prepared and is not responsible for the credit reporting services received from Equifax Canada Inc.

(b) Further, Customer acknowledges having received and having read the attached Provincial Legislative Overview for International Customers of Equifax's "North American Link" generally describing some additional requirements of various Canadian provinces regarding the request and use of credit reporting information on residents of those provinces. Customer will comply with applicable provincial laws on consumer credit reporting or on protection of personal information (privacy), including obtaining consent if required, in connection with credit reporting services received from Equifax Canada.

APPENDIX A-3 Equifax Requirement

VERMONT FAIR CREDIT REPORTING CONTRACT CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, _____ ("Customer"), acknowledges that it subscribes to receive various information serviced from Equifax Credit Information Services, Inc. ("Equifax") in accordance with the Vermont Fair Credit Reporting Statute, 9 V.S.A. § 2480e (1999), as amended (the "VFCRA") and the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15, U.S.C. 1681 et. Seq., as amended (the "FCRA") and its other state law counterparts. In connection with Customer's continued use of Equifax information services in relation to Vermont consumers, Customer hereby certifies as follows:

Vermont Certification. Customer certifies that it will comply with applicable provisions under Vermont law. In particular, Customer certifies that it will order information services relating to Vermont residents, that are credit reports as defined by the VFCRA, only after Customer has received prior consumer consent in accordance with VFCRA § 2480e and applicable Vermont Rules.

Customer: _____

Signed By: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Account Number: _____

Date: _____

Please also include the following information:

Compliance Officer or Person Responsible for Credit Reporting Compliance

Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Customer: Maintain a copy for your records. CRA: Return the fully executed Vermont Fair Credit Reporting Contract Certification by fax or mail to:

**Equifax Information Services LLC
1550 Peachtree Street NW
Customer Accounts - M/D J11A
Atlanta, Georgia 30309**

FAX - (770) 752-1298

APPENDIX A-4

State Compliance Matters

California Retail Seller

Provisions of the California Consumer Credit Reporting Agencies Act, as amended effective July 1, 1998, will impact the provision of consumer reports to Customer under the following circumstances: (a) if Customer is a "retail seller" (defined in part by California law as "a person engaged in the business of selling goods or services to retail buyers") and is selling to a "retail buyer" (defined as "a person who buys goods or obtains services from a retail seller in a retail installment sale and not principally for the purpose of resale") and a consumer about whom Customer is inquiring is applying, (b) in person, and (c) for credit. Under the foregoing circumstances, Equifax, before delivering a consumer report to Customer, must match at least three (3) items of a consumer's identification within the file maintained by Equifax with the information provided to Equifax by Customer in connection with the in-person credit transaction. Compliance with this law further includes Customer's inspection of the photo identification of each consumer who applies for in-person credit, mailing extensions of credit to consumers responding to a mail solicitation at specified addresses, taking special actions regarding a consumer's presentment of a police report regarding fraud, and acknowledging consumer demands for reinvestigations within certain time frames.

If Customer designated in Section 8 of the Agreement that it is a "retail seller," Customer certifies that it will instruct its employees and agents to inspect a photo identification of the consumer at the time an application is submitted in person. If Customer is not currently, but subsequently becomes a "retail seller," Customer agrees to provide written notice to Equifax prior to ordering credit reports in connection with an in-person credit transaction, and agrees to comply with the requirements of the California law as outlined in this Section, and with the specific certifications set forth herein.

Customer certifies that, as a "retail seller," it will either (a) acquire a new Customer number for use in processing consumer report inquiries that result from in-person credit applications covered by California law, with the understanding that all inquiries using this new Customer number will require that Customer supply at least three items of identifying information from the applicant; or (b) contact Customer's Equifax sales representative to ensure that Customer's existing number is properly coded for these transactions.

Vermont Fair Credit Reporting Statute, 9 V.S.A. § 2480e (1999)

§ 2480e. Consumer consent

- (a) A person shall not obtain the credit report of a consumer unless:
 - (1) the report is obtained in response to the order of a court having jurisdiction to issue such an order; or
 - (2) the person has secured the consent of the consumer, and the report is used for the purpose consented to by the consumer.
- (b) Credit reporting agencies shall adopt reasonable procedures to assure maximum possible compliance with subsection (a) of this section.
- (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect:
 - (1) the ability of a person who has secured the consent of the consumer pursuant to subdivision (a)(2) of this section to include in his or her request to the consumer permission to also obtain credit reports, in connection with the same transaction or extension of credit, for the purpose of reviewing the account, increasing the credit line on the account, for the purpose of taking collection action on the account, or for other legitimate purposes associated with the account; and
 - (2) the use of credit information for the purpose of prescreening, as defined and permitted from time to time by the Federal Trade Commission.

VERMONT RULES *** CURRENT THROUGH JUNE 1999 ***
AGENCY 06. OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
SUB-AGENCY 031. CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION
CHAPTER 012. Consumer Fraud-Fair Credit Reporting
RULE CF 112 FAIR CREDIT REPORTING
CVR 06-031-012, CF 112.03 (1999)
CF 112.03 CONSUMER CONSENT

(a) A person required to obtain consumer consent pursuant to 9 V.S.A. §§ 2480e and 2480g shall obtain said consent in writing if the consumer has made a written application or written request for credit, insurance, employment, housing or governmental benefit. If the consumer has applied for or requested credit, insurance, employment, housing or governmental benefit in a manner other than in writing, then the person required to obtain consumer consent pursuant to 9 V.S.A. §§ 2480e and 2480g shall obtain said consent in writing or in the same manner in which the consumer made the application or request. The terms of this rule apply whether the consumer or the person required to obtain consumer consent initiates the transaction.

(b) Consumer consent required pursuant to 9 V.S.A. §§ 2480e and 2480g shall be deemed to have been obtained in writing if, after a clear and adequate written disclosure of the circumstances under which a credit report or credit reports may be obtained and the purposes for which the credit report or credit reports may be obtained, the consumer indicates his or her consent by providing his or her signature.

(c) The fact that a clear and adequate written consent form is signed by the consumer after the consumer's credit report has been obtained pursuant to some other form of consent shall not affect the validity of the earlier consent.