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IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE OBTAINS PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST COEUR D'ALENE COMMODITIES PROMOTER

Boise, Idaho . . . The Idaho Department of Finance, announced that Kootenai County District Court has entered a stipulated judgment and a permanent injunction against Keith Eugene Mitchell of Coeur d'Alene.

The state sued the defendant on February 28, 2011, alleging that Mitchell violated the registration and anti-fraud provisions of Idaho's Commodity Code. According to the complaint, Mitchell was not properly licensed to sell commodities. Additionally, the state alleged that Mitchell told investors that by following his recommendations to invest in commodity futures options, investors would receive an annual return of 36% to 60% and their losses would be limited to 5% of their principal investment. The department alleges that in 2008, when the market moved in a manner incompatible with Mitchell's trading system, investors lost most if not all of their investments.

Defendant Mitchell consented to the entry of the judgment and permanent injunction. In the judgment, the court permanently enjoined Mitchell from engaging in any future violations of the Idaho Commodity Code and from engaging in any violations of the Idaho Uniform Securities Act. Additionally, the court established limitations on Mitchell's future securities and commodities activities.

The Idaho Department of Finance cautions all investors to investigate before you invest.

Department of Finance press releases and a copy of the civil complaint can be found on the Internet at http://finance.idaho.gov and may be obtained by contacting the Department at (208) 332-8004 or toll-free at (888) 346-3378.

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