

(c) When a buyer signs a contract for the sale of a business opportunity, the seller shall give the buyer a copy of the contract.

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(A) THE COMMISSIONER MAY PASS AN ORDER DENYING EFFECTIVENESS TO, OR SUSPENDING OR REVOKING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF, ANY REGISTRATION IF THE COMMISSIONER FINDS THAT THE ORDER IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND THAT:

(1) (I) THE REGISTRATION AS OF ITS EFFECTIVE DATE, OR AS OF ANY EARLIER DATE IN THE CASE OF AN ORDER DENYING EFFECTIVENESS, IS INCOMPLETE IN ANY MATERIAL RESPECT OR CONTAINS ANY STATEMENT MADE THAT WAS, IN LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH IT WAS MADE, FALSE OR MISLEADING WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATERIAL FACT;

(II) AN AMENDMENT AS OF ITS EFFECTIVE DATE IS INCOMPLETE IN ANY MATERIAL RESPECT OR CONTAINS ANY STATEMENT MADE THAT WAS, IN LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH IT WAS MADE, FALSE OR MISLEADING WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATERIAL FACT; OR

(III) A REPORT IS INCOMPLETE IN ANY MATERIAL RESPECT OR CONTAINS ANY STATEMENT MADE THAT WAS, IN LIGHT OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH IT WAS MADE, FALSE OR MISLEADING WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATERIAL FACT;

(2) ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE OR ANY ORDER OR CONDITION LAWFULLY IMPOSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE HAS BEEN VIOLATED, IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY BY:

(I) THE PERSON FILING THE REGISTRATION;

(II) A SELLER, ANY PARTNER, OFFICER, OR DIRECTOR OF THE SELLER, OR ANY PERSON OCCUPYING A SIMILAR STATUS OR PERFORMING SIMILAR FUNCTIONS AS THE SELLER; OR

(III) A PERSON THAT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTROLS OR IS CONTROLLED BY THE SELLER IF THE PERSON FILING THE REGISTRATION IS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY OR ACTING FOR THE SELLER;

(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY REGISTERED OR SOUGHT TO BE REGISTERED IS THE SUBJECT OF AN ORDER DENYING, SUSPENDING, OR REVOKING A REGISTRATION OR A PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION OF ANY COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION;

(4) THE SELLER'S ENTERPRISE OR METHOD OF BUSINESS, OR THAT OF THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY, INCLUDES OR WOULD INCLUDE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ILLEGAL WHERE PERFORMED;

(5) THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY OR THE OFFERING OF A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY HAS WORKED OR TENDED TO WORK A FRAUD UPON PURCHASERS OR WOULD SO OPERATE;