BEFORE THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

DYNASTY EXTERMINATORS, INC. DBA DYNASTY TERMITE DOUGLAS M. FIERRO, QM/PRS 5900 Eastern Avenue, Suite 141 Commerce, California 90040

And

P.O. Box 40898 Downey, California 90239

Company Registration Certificate No. PR 6106, Branch 3 Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3

Respondents.

Case No. 2015-69

OAH No. 2015090278

(Douglas M. Fierro, Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3)

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the

Structural Pest Control Board, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on August 18, 2016

It is so ORDERED July 19, 2016

FOR THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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20	Respondents.		
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. 22	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-		
23 [.]	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
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25	1. Susan Saylor ("Complainant") is the	1. Susan Saylor ("Complainant") is the Registrar and Executive Officer of the Structural	
26	Pest Control Board ("Board"), Department of Consumer Affairs. She brought this action solely		
27	in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of		
28	the State of California, by Leslie A. Burgermyer, Deputy Attorney General.		
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2. Douglas M. Fierro, Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3, ("Respondent") is represented in this proceeding by attorney Joseph Wayne Rose, Esq., Rose Law, A Professional Corporation, 11335 Gold Express Drive, Suite 135, Gold River, CA 95670.

Company Registration Certificate No. PR 6106

On or about August 11, 2010, the Board issued Company Registration Certificate 3. 5 No.PR 6106 ("registration") in Branch 3 to Dynasty Exterminators, Inc., doing business as 6 Dynasty Termite ("Respondent") with L. Joyce Fierro as the President and 90% shareholder, 7 Douglas M. Fierro as the Qualifying Manager and Vice President and 10% shareholder. On or 8 about August 5, 2013, the registration was suspended for failure to maintain a surety bond in the 9 amount of \$4,000, as required by Business and Professions Code ("Code") section 8697. On or 10about August 15, 2013, the registration was reinstated after posting a surety bond in the amount 11 of \$4,000. On or about October 18, 2013, Lupita J. Blazer became the President and 100% .12 shareholder. On or about November 18, 2013, Douglas M. Fierro became the President and an 13 80% shareholder, and Lupita J. Blazer became the Vice President and 20% shareholder. On of 14 about December 9, 2013, Douglas M. Fierro became the President and 100% shareholder. 15

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Operator's License No. OPR 11797

On or about January 15, 2009, the Board issued Operator's License No. OPR 11797 4. 17 in Branch 3 to Douglas M. Fierro ("Respondent Fierro" or "Respondent") as the Qualifying 18Manager of Gallatin Holdings, Inc., doing business as Dynasty Termite. On or about August 11, 19 2010, Fierro disassociated as the Qualifying Manager of Gallatin Holdings, Inc., doing business 20 as Dynasty Termite, due to the cancelation of the company registration. On that same day, Fierro 21 became the Qualifying Manager, Vice President, and 10% shareholder of Dynasty Exterminators, 22 Inc., doing business as Dynasty Termite. On or about November 18, 2013, Fierro became the 23 President and an 80% shareholder of Dynasty Exterminators, Inc., doing business as Dynasty 24 Termite. On or about December 9, 2013, Fierro became the President and 100% shareholder of 25 Dynasty Exterminators, Inc., doing business as Dynasty Termite. The Operator's License No. 26 OPR 11797, Branch 3, will expire on or about June 30, 2017, unless renewed. 27

This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is only for Respondent Douglas M. 5. Fierro, Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3.

JURISDICTION

Accusation No. 2015-69 was filed before the Board and is currently pending 6. against Respondent Fierro. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on August 4, 2015. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. the First Amended Accusation was filed before the Board and served on Respondent and it supersedes the original Accusation. The Second Amended Accusation was filed before the Board and served on Respondent and supersedes the First Amended Accusation. A true and correct copy of Second Amended Accusation No. 2015-69 is attached hereto, marked Exhibit A, and incorporated by reference.

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ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the 7. charges and allegations in Second Amended Accusation No. 2015-69. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order on Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3. 16

Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a 8. 17 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Second Amended Accusation; the right to confront 18 and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on his 19 own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the 20 production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; 21 and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable 22 laws. 23

Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and 9. every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Second 10. Amended Accusation No. 2015-69.

11. Respondent agrees that his Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3, is subject to discipline and he agree to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

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RESERVATION

12. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Structural Pest Control Board or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any criminal or civil proceeding.

CONTINGENCY

This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Structural Pest Control Board. 13. 10 Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Structural 11 Pest Control Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and 12 settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the 13 stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek 14 to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails 15 to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary 16 Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal 17 action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having 18considered this matter. 19

14. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format ("PDF") and
facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and
facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

15. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an
integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.
It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions,
negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary
Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a
writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

16. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

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DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3, issued to Respondent Douglas M. Fierro ("Respondent") is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.
1. Obey All Laws. Respondent shall obey all Federal, State, and local laws along with all laws and rules relating to the practice of structural pest control.

2. Quarterly Reports. Respondent shall file quarterly reports with the Board during
the period of probation.

Tolling of Probation. Should Respondent leave California to reside outside this
 state, Respondent must notify the Board in writing of the dates of departure and return. Periods
 of residency or practice outside the state shall not apply to reduction of the probationary period.

4. Notice to Employers. Respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers
of the decision in Case No. 2015-69 and the terms, conditions and restriction imposed on
Respondent by said decision.

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this decision, and within fifteen (15) days of
Respondent undertaking new employment, Respondent shall cause his employer to report to the
Board in writing acknowledging the employer has read the decision in Case No. 2015-69.

5. Notice to Employees. Respondent shall, upon or before the effective date of this decision, post or circulate a notice to all employees involved in structural pest control operations which accurately recite the terms and conditions of probation. Respondent shall be responsible for said notice being immediately available to said employees. "Employees" as used in this provision includes all full-time, part-time, temporary and relief employees and independent contractors employed or hired at any time during probation.

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6. Completion of Probation. Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's
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license will be fully restored.

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7. Violation of Probation. Should Respondent violate probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order which was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until the matter is final.

8. Correspondence Course - Branch 3. Respondent shall complete with a final grade of C Minus (C-) or better within eighteen (18) months of the effective date of this decision four (4) hours of Branch 3: Wood Destroying Pests and Organisms, Repairs and Corrections courses. These hours are in addition to the hours required for renewal of Respondent's license and all costs for the courses shall be borne by Respondent.

Reimbursement to Consumer. Respondent Fierro and Respondent Dynasty 9 11 Exterminators, Inc., dba Dynasty Termite, Douglas M. Fierro, QM/PRES, Company Registration 12 Certificate No. PR 6106, Branch 3, ("Respondents") shall be jointly and severally liable for 13 restitution to consumer Jerome (Jarrett) Oddo ("consumer") in the amount of \$40,000.00 as and 14 for restitution to bring the property located at 6621 Via De Robles, Rancho Murieta, California, 15 into compliance. Respondents understand that Mr. Oddo is not limited to the restitution provided 16 herein and may seek damages in any other proceeding authorized by law. Any amounts paid by 17 Respondents to Mr. Oddo, by this stipulation or otherwise, according to proof, shall apply toward 18 the restitution agreed to herein. Respondents shall be permitted to make payments to the 19 consumer pursuant to a plan agreed to by the Board and shall submit proof of payment(s) to the 20Registrar. Restitution shall be paid in full twelve (12) months prior to expiration of the 21 probationary period. 22

10. Prohibited from Serving as Officer, Director, Associate, Partner or Qualifying
Manager. Respondent is prohibited from serving as an officer, director, associate, partner,
qualifying manager or branch office manager of any registered company during the period that
discipline is imposed on Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3.

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11. No Interest In Any Registered Company. Respondent shall not have any legal or beneficial interest in any company currently or hereinafter registered by the Board during the period that discipline is imposed on Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3.

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Costs Reimbursement. Respondent and Respondent Dynasty Exterminators, Inc.,
doing business as Dynasty Termite, and Douglas M. Fierro, QM/PRES, ("Respondents") are
jointly and severally liable for cost recovery to the Board. Pursuant to Business and Professions
Code section 125.3, Respondents shall pay to the agency its costs of investigation and
enforcement in the amount of \$20,000.00 in monthly installments as agreed by the Board to be
paid in full no later than three (3) months prior to the end of probation. Probation shall not be
terminated until all costs are pain in full.

11 13. Random Inspections. Respondent shall reimburse the Board for up to four (4)
12 random inspections per year by Board specialists during the period of probation not to exceed
13 \$125.00 per inspection.

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully
discussed it with my attorney, Joseph Wayne Rose, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the
effect it will have on my Operator's License No. OPR 11797, Branch 3. I enter into this
Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree
to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Structural Pest Control Board.

20DATED: 4-29-16 21 DOUGLAS M. FIERRO 22 Respondent I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Douglas M. Fierro the terms and 23 conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. 24 25 I approve its form and content. 26 WAYNE ROSE, ESO. JOSEPH 27Attorney for Respondent 28 []]

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ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Structural Pest Control Board.

Dated: 4-29-20/6

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Respectfully submitted,

KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California KENT D. HARRIS Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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