## IN THE MATTER OF THE TORONTO COMPUTER LEASING INQUIRY

## AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN MASTROIANNI

I, John Mastroianni, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- I am the general manager of Pusateri's Fine Foods ("Pusateri's"), located at 1539
   Avenue Road in Toronto, and as such have knowledge of the matters hereinafter deposed to.
- 2. I have been asked to provide information about Pusateri's policies or procedures relating to acceptance of one thousand dollar bills.
- 3. Pusateri's has no policy or procedure in place, either now or in 1999. However, tendering one thousand dollar bills for payment was not an uncommon practice when the bills were still in circulation.
- 4. One concern in accepting one thousand dollar bills relates to giving change. If the purchase was much less than a thousand dollars, a cashier's float might not be sufficient to make change for the customer tendering the bill. That would necessitate the head cashier or manager attending at the cash register to provide sufficient funds to complete the transaction.
- 5. Pusateri's has technology to detect counterfeit bills.
- 6. Pusateri's does not record the serial numbers of one thousand dollar bills.
- 7. Pusateri's purchases much of its fresh fruits and vegetables from the Ontario Food Terminal in Etobicoke. Though no longer the case, in 1999 vendors there dealt primarily in cash. To facilitate paying in cash for purchases, large bills would

have routinely been extracted from that day's store receipts. Their bank deposits would not necessarily reflect the actual number of one thousand dollar bills received at the store.

sworn BEFORE ME at the City of Toronto in the Province of Ontario on , 2004.	) ) ) ) JOHN MASTROIANNI
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