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The Honorable Thomas Courtney, Senate
The Honorable Julian Garrett, Senate
The Honorable Gary Worthan, House of Representatives
The Honorable Todd Taylor, House of Representatives
Ms. GeorgAnna Madsen, Executive Council
Ms. Beth Lenstra, Legislative Services Agency

RE: Annual Report for Settlements and Judgments

Dear Senators, Representatives, Ms. Madsen and Ms. Lenstra:

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.2(o), the Attorney General submits an annual report concerning consumer protection, antitrust, and environmental protection settlements and judgments, in excess of \$250,000, received by the State during fiscal year 2014. The report is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric Tabor".

Eric Tabor
Chief Deputy

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ATTORNEY GENERAL SETTLEMENTS AND JUDGMENTS FISCAL YEAR 2014

CASE NAME	COURT OF JURISDICTION	SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	DATE OF DEPOSIT	AG FUND	FUND AMOUNT	PLAN FOR USAGE
CONSUMER PROTECTION - IOWA CODE CHAPTER 714						
Affinion Group, Inc, Trilegiant Corp, and Webloyalty.com, Inc	N/A - (Assurance of Voluntary Compliance An Assurance of Compliance is an agreement between the State and a party to resolve an alleged violation of consumer protection laws. The agreement is not submitted to a court for approval.)	\$ 5,500,000.00	10/16/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 500,000.00	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans.
			10/16/2013	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 5,000,000.00	Refunds to consumers who were victims of Affinion, a buying club, and administrative costs
State of IA v. Affinion Group, Inc, Trilegiant Corp, and Webloyalty.com, Inc	IA District Court for Polk County	\$ 786,673.00	10/25/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 360,000.00	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans. Affinion refunded \$66,673 directly to consumers.
				Elderly Fraud Fund	\$ 360,000.00	Investigation and prosecution of frauds against the elderly.
Bridgepoint Education, Inc and Ashford University LLC	N/A - Assurance of Voluntary Compliance	\$ 7,250,000.00	5/21/2014	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 7,250,000.00	Refunds to former students of Ashford, an on-line university.
Google Inc	N/A - Assurance of Voluntary Compliance	\$ 275,629.87	12/13/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 275,629.87	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans.
Sempris, LLC	N/A - Assurance of Voluntary Compliance	\$ 450,000.00	6/20/2014	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 450,000.00	Refunds to consumers who were victims of Sempris, a buying club, and administrative costs.
State of IA v. Stonebridge Benefit Services and J C Penney Direct Marketing Services LLC	IA District Court for Polk County	\$ 2,902,823.00	10/18/2013	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 2,738,448.00	Refunds to consumers who were victims of Stonebridge, a buying club, and administrative costs.
			10/18/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 164,375.00	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans.

CASE NAME	COURT OF JURISDICTION	SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	DATE OF DEPOSIT	AG FUND	FUND AMOUNT	PLAN FOR USAGE
The Active Network	N/A - Assurance of Voluntary Compliance	\$ 252,167.42	9/11/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 15,000.00	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans.
			9/11/2013	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 237,167.42	Refunds to consumers who were victims of The Active Network, a buying club, and administrative costs.
State of IA v. Vertrue, Inc, Marketing, LLC, and Idaptive Marketing, LLC	IA District Court for Polk County	\$ 32,675,573.86	11/26/2013	Consumer Fraud Fund	\$ 32,675,573.86	Refunds to consumers who were victims of Vertrue, a buying club, and administrative costs.
State of IA v. Pfizer	IA District Court for Polk County	\$ 300,000.00	10/18/2013	Consumer Education and Litigation	\$ 300,000.00	Public education relating to consumer fraud, enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16 and federal consumer laws, and investigation, prosecution, and consumer education relating to consumer and criminal fraud committed against older Iowans.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW - IOWA CODE CHAPTER 455B

IA DNR v. Grain Processing Corp	IA District Court for Muscatine County	\$ 1,500,000.00		N/A		Distribution of Funds: \$1,220 Waste Volume Reduction and Recycling, \$100,000 Emergency Response Fund, and \$1,398,780 Household Hazardous Waste Account which was subsequently reappropriated to IDNR's Air Quality Program.
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