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Loan #: 6003221994

Investor Loan #: 383693322 PIN/Tax ID #: 40160000120000

Property Address: 16808 BEACH ROAD LA CONNER, WA 98257-

SUBSTITUTION OF TRUSTEE

BISHOP, WHITE AND MARSHALL P.S. is hereby appointed successor Trustee under that certain Deed of Trust described below.

Original Grantor(s): MERLE D STEELE, A SINGLE MAN

Original Beneficiary: MERS AS NOMINEE FOR GATEWAY BANK, FSB

Original Trustee: FIRST AMERICAN TITLE

Loan Amount: \$249,600.00

Date of Deed of Trust: 09/15/2006

Date Recorded: 09/19/2006 Document #. 200609190145

and recorded in the official records of SKAGIT County, State of Washington affecting Real Property and more particularly described on said Deed of Trust referred to herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused these presents to be executed on this date of 6/20/2008.

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC, AS NOMINEE FOR U.S. BANK NA, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

Mortgage Documentation Officer

State of KY

County of DAVIESS

On this date of 6/20/2008, before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public duly commissioned, qualified and acting within and for the aforementioned State, personally appeared the within named Cathy Beckhart, known to me (or identified to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) that he/she is the Mortgage Documentation Officer of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC, AS NOMINEE FOR U.S. BANK NA, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, and was duly authorized in his/her respective capacity to execute the foregoing instrument for and in the name and on behalf of said corporation, and that said corporation executed the same, and further stated and acknowledged that he/she had so signed, executed and delivered said instrument for the consideration, uses and purposes therein mentioned and set forth.

Witness my hand and official seal on the date hereinabove set forth.

Notary Public: Lou Powers

My Commission Expires: 11/13/2010

LOU POWERS - KENTUCKY