



HELPING YOU STAY IN YOUR HOME.

MAKING HOME AFFORDABLE



04/01/11

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Escalante CA 92026

Loan No: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

**Congratulations!** You have been approved to enter into a trial period plan under the Home Affordable Modification Program. This is the first step toward qualifying for more affordable mortgage payments. Please read this letter so that you understand all the steps you need to take to modify your mortgage payments.

**What you need to do:**

To accept this offer, you must make new monthly "trial period" payments in place of your normal monthly mortgage payment. Send your monthly trial period payments ~~in place of your normal monthly mortgage payment~~ as follows:

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1st payment: \$1,606.68 by 05/01/11  
2nd payment: \$1,606.68 by 06/01/2011  
3rd payment: \$1,606.68 by 07/01/2011

After all trial period payments are timely made and you have submitted all the required documents, your mortgage would then be permanently modified. (Your existing loan and loan requirements remain in effect and unchanged during the trial period.) **If each payment is not received by OCWEN in the month in which is due, this offer will end and your loan will not be modified under the Making Home Affordable program.**

If you have any questions or if you cannot afford the trial period payments shown above but want to remain in your home, or if you have decided to leave your home but still want to avoid foreclosure, please call us at 1-800-746-2936 as we may be able to help you. (Also, please review the attached "Frequently Asked Questions")

Sincerely,

OCWEN Loan Servicing, LLC

Attachments: (1) Frequently Asked Questions; (2) Additional Trial Period Plan Information and Legal Notices; (3) Trial Period Plan Notice (Verified Income)

The Making Home Affordable Program was created to help millions of homeowners refinance or modify their mortgages. As part of this program, we - your mortgage servicer - and the Federal Government are working to offer you options to help you stay in your home.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Get the answers you need to some of the most common questions.

### Q. What else should I know about this offer?

- If you make your new payments timely and submit the paperwork by the deadline, **we will not conduct a foreclosure sale.**
- You will not be charged any fees for this Trial Period Plan or final modification.
- If your loan is modified, we will waive all unpaid late charges.
- Your credit score may be affected by accepting a trial period plan or modification. For more information about your credit score, go to <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/credit/cse24.shtm>.
- You may be required to attend credit counseling.

### Q. Why is there a trial period?

The trial period offers you immediate payment relief (and could prevent a foreclosure sale) while we process your paperwork to determine if you qualify for a permanent loan modification. It also gives you time to make sure you can manage the lower monthly mortgage payments. This is only a temporary Trial Period Plan. Your existing loan and loan requirements remain in effect and unchanged during the trial period.

### Q. How was my new payment in the trial period determined?

Your trial period payment is approximately 31% of your total gross monthly income, which you told us was \$5181.00. The new payment includes principal and interest and an escrow amount of \$106.43 to pay property taxes, insurance and other permissible escrow fees. If we were able to modify your loan today, based on the information you provided, we estimate your modified interest rate would be 2.999%. If we modify your loan permanently after the trial period, the interest rate may be different due to a variety of factors that affect the terms of your final modification. If you did not have an escrow account before, the timing of your tax and insurance bills may require that you make a payment to cover any such bills when they come due. This is known as an escrow shortage. Your loan has an escrow shortage of \$1,149.16; this can either be paid in a lump sum when the loan is modified or over the next 60 months. If you wish to pay the total shortage in a lump sum, please contact us.

### Q. When will I know if my loan can be modified permanently and how will the modified loan balance be determined?

Once we confirm you are eligible for a Home Affordable Modification and you make all of your trial period payments on time, we will send you a modification agreement detailing the terms of the modified loan. Any difference between the amount of the trial period payments and your regular mortgage payments will be added to the balance of your loan along with any other past due amounts as permitted by your loan documents. While this will increase the total amount that you owe, it should not significantly change the amount of your modified mortgage payment as that is determined based on your total monthly gross income, not your loan balance.

**Q. Are there incentives that I may qualify for if I am current with my new payments?**

Once your loan is modified, you can earn a pay-for-success incentive for every month that you make on-time payments beginning with the trial period payments. Depending on your modified monthly payment, you may accrue up to \$1,000 each year for five years for a total of \$5,000. This important benefit, which will be applied to your principal balance each year after the anniversary date of your first trial period payment due date, will help you earn equity in your home by reducing the amount that you owe. However, you must remain current on your loan. You will lose this benefit if your modified loan becomes 90 days delinquent at any time during this five year period. If you lose this benefit, you will lose all accrued, unapplied incentive payments.

**Q. Will my interest rate and principal and interest payment be fixed after my loan is permanently modified?**

Once your loan is modified, your interest rate and monthly principal and interest payment will be fixed for the life of your mortgage unless your initial modified interest rate is below current market interest rates. In that case, the below market interest rate will be fixed for five years. At the end of the fifth year, your interest rate may increase by 1% per year until it reaches a cap. The cap will equal the market rate of interest being charged by mortgage lenders on the day your modification agreement is prepared (the Freddie Mac Primary Mortgage Market Survey Rate for 30-year, fixed-rate conforming mortgages). Once your interest rate reaches the cap it will be fixed for the remaining life of your loan. Like your trial period payment, your new monthly payment will also include an escrow for property taxes, hazard insurance and other escrowed expenses. If the cost of your homeowners' insurance, property tax assessment or other escrowed expenses increases, your monthly payment will increase as well.

**Q. What if I have other questions about Home Affordable Modification that cannot be answered by my mortgage servicer?**

Call the Homeowner's HOPE™ Hotline at 1-888-995-HOPE (4673). This Hotline can help with questions about the program and offers access to free HUD-certified counseling services in English and Spanish.

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Homeowner's HOPE Hotline

**Q. What if I am aware of fraud, waste, mismanagement or misrepresentations affiliated with the Troubled Asset Relief Program?**

Please contact SIGTARP at 1.877.SIG.2009 (toll-free), 202.622.4559 (fax) or [www.sig tarp.gov](http://www.sig tarp.gov). Mail can sent to: Hotline Office of the Special Inspector General for Troubled Asset Relief Program, 1801 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20220.



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**Additional Trial Period Plan Information and Legal Notices**

The terms of your trial period plan below are effective on the day you make your first trial period payment, provided you have paid it on or before 05/31/11. You and we agree that:

**We will not proceed to foreclosure sale during the trial period, provided you are complying with the terms of the trial period plan, except as detailed below:**

- During the trial period, any pending foreclosure action or proceeding will not be dismissed and may be immediately resumed if you fail to comply with the terms of the trial period plan or do not qualify for a modification. A new notice of default, notice of intent to accelerate, notice of acceleration, or similar notice will not be necessary to continue the foreclosure action (foreclosure notices). You waive any and all rights to receive such foreclosure notices to the extent permitted by applicable law. However, if your property is located in Georgia, Hawaii, Missouri, or Virginia and a foreclosure sale is currently scheduled, the foreclosure sale will not be suspended and foreclosure may proceed if you do not make each and every trial period payment that is due through the end of the month preceding the month in which the foreclosure sale is scheduled to occur. For example, if a foreclosure sale is scheduled in February and you do not make your January and any earlier required trial period payment by the end of January, the foreclosure sale may proceed in these four states. If a foreclosure sale occurs pursuant to this provision, the trial period plan will be deemed to have terminated.

**During the trial period, we may accept and post your trial period payments to your account and it will not affect foreclosure proceedings that have already been started.**

- The servicer's acceptance and posting of your new payment during the trial period will not be deemed a waiver of the acceleration of your loan or foreclosure action and related activities, and shall not constitute a cure of your default under your loan unless the payments are sufficient to completely cure your entire default under your loan.

**If your monthly payment did not include escrows for taxes and insurance, you are now required to do so.**

- You agree that any prior waiver that allowed you to pay directly for taxes and insurance is revoked. You agree to establish an escrow account and to pay requested amounts for escrow.

**Your current loan documents remain in effect; however, you may make the trial period payment instead of the payment required under your loan documents.**

- You agree that all terms and provisions of your current mortgage note and mortgage security instrument remain in full force and effect and you will comply with those terms; and that nothing in the trial period plan shall be understood or construed to be a satisfaction or release in whole or in part of the obligations contained in the loan documents.

**Active Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 Bankruptcy:**

- If your loan is in an active Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 Bankruptcy case, in order for us to finalize your modification you must make all of your trial payments and obtain approval from the Bankruptcy court. The approval or consent order is required BEFORE Owen can convert your trial plan into a permanent modification.



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