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**STATEMENT FROM DOI COMMISSIONER ROSE GILL HEARN REGARDING GUILTY
PLEA BY SAMUEL BREVDEH, FORMER PRESIDENT OF CASHPOINT, INC.**

I am pleased to learn that SAMUEL BREVDEH, the former President of CashPoint Network Services, Inc., a bill payment business, pleaded guilty today in Manhattan federal court to conducting a large-scale electronic check kiting scheme at CashPoint.

Mr. BREVDEH has been charged with conspiracy to commit bank fraud, wire fraud and mail fraud. He faces a maximum sentence of 30 years' imprisonment and a maximum fine of \$1million, or twice the gross gain or loss resulting from this offense. His sentencing date has not been set.

The City's overwhelming concern with this matter is the fact that this defendant robbed Peter to pay Paul. Many tenants of the New York City Housing Authority once used CashPoint to pay rent. As a result, when the defendant's check kiting scheme collapsed, the City lost more than \$7 million in rent payments. DOI is making every effort to recover this money from CashPoint.

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