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PROCUREMENT APPEALS

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5 IN THE APPEAL OF,

6 TEAL PACIFC, LLC.

7 Appellant.
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APPEAL NO. OPA-PA-09-002

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

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21 In a May 18 Pre-Hearing conference the Attorney for Appellant, Teal Pacific, requested
22 that Public Auditor Doris Flores Brooks disqualify herself from rendering a decision on the
23 above-captioned appeal. The request was based on information the Public Auditor disclosed to
24 the parties which communicated (1) that Public Auditor and her husband have a doctor / patient
25 relationship with Dr Nathaniel Berg, a principal of the Appellant and (2) that the Public Auditor
26 and her husband had a casual acquaintance with the Appellant's other principal, Mr. Siva
27 Karuppan. The Public Auditor first encountered Mr. Siva Karuppan as a patient when Mr.
28 Karuppan and her husband were under going cancer treatment at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in

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1 Los Angeles from December 2007 to January 2008. While the Public Auditor does not believe
2 the relationship with Dr. Berg and Mr. Karuppan will prejudice her actions in this matter,
3 pursuant to the authority of 2 G.A.R. §12601 and 5 G.C.A. §5480 the Public Auditor has
4 determined to recuse herself from hearing the above-captioned appeal and hereby orders the
5 appeal be DISMISSED.
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8 **SO ORDERED** this 21st day of May, 2009 by:
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