HEARING OFFICER ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

IN THE MATTER OF:

CASE NO: MWO-C-036

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE OF LABOR STANDARDS ENFORCEMENT (OLSE),

STATEMENT OF FINDINGS OF HEARING OFFICER

and

HEARINGS: APRIL 21, 24, 26, 2006 and JUNE 9, 2006

RECORD CLOSED: JULY 14, 2006

GOLDEN DRAGON RESTAURANT,

INTRODUCTION

In March 2005, the San Francisco Office of Labor Standards Enforcement (OLSE) received nine complaints from employees and former employees of the Golden Dragon Restaurant alleging violations under the San Francisco Minimum Wage Ordinance (MWO). The OLSE subsequently conducted an audit of the restaurant's payment practices for the period February 23, 2004, when the MWO first went into effect, through March 15, 2005. Based on that audit, the OLSE determined that the restaurant was not in compliance with the MWO for some of its employees.

By letter dated December 12, 2005, Donna Levitt, Manager of the Office of Labor
Standards Enforcement, requested that the Office of the Controller for the City and County of San
Francisco appoint an impartial hearing officer to conduct a hearing under San Francisco
Administrative Code Section 12R.7(b) in regard to possible violations of the San Francisco
Minimum Wage Ordinance by employer Golden Dragon Restaurant. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 1)
The December 12, 2005 letter states in pertinent part:

"We request that the hearing officer make written findings on the following issues:

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- 1) Does Golden Dragon Restaurant owe back wages for violations of the MWO during the audit period of February 23 [2004] through March 15, 2005 and, if so, (a) what are the names of the employees who did not receive the minimum wage required by the MWO for that time period, (b) what are the number of hours that each employee worked during that time period for less than the minimum wage required under the MWO, and (c) what is the amount of back wages due to each affected employee for that time period?
- 2) Did Golden Dragon Restaurant fail to give the OLSE reasonable access to its records documenting wages paid to employees for March 16, 2005 through October 6, 2005?
- 3) If the answer to the prior question is 'yes,' did Golden Dragon Restaurant, by clear and convincing evidence, rebut the presumption that it paid only the state minimum wage from March 16, 2005 through October 6, 2005?
- 4) If Golden Dragon Restaurant did not rebut that presumption, does the evidence establish that Golden Dragon Restaurant violated the MWO between March 16, 2005 and October 6, 2005 and, if it does, what are (a) the number of employees who did not receive the minimum wage required by the MWO during that period of time, (b) the number of hours that they worked during that period of time, and (c) the amount of back wages due to employees for that period of time?"

By letter dated January 24, 2006, San Francisco Deputy Controller Monique Zmuda informed the Golden Dragon Restaurant and Deputy City Attorney Jill Figg, counsel for the OLSE, that the Controller's Office appointed the undersigned hearing officer to conduct a hearing regarding possible violations of the MWO. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 2) The letter states in pertinent part:

"City and County of San Francisco Office of Labor Standards Enforcement Manager Donna Levitt has requested that the Deputy Controller appoint an impartial hearing officer to conduct a hearing required under San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12R.7(b) in regard to possible violations of the San Francisco Minimum Wage Ordinance (Administrative Code Chapter 12R) by employer Golden Dragon Restaurant. (Copy of OLSE Manager Levitt's December 12, 2005 letter enclosed.)

I hereby appoint City and County of San Francisco Administrative Law Judge Peter Kearns as the Hearing Officer in this matter. The Hearing Officer's role is to conduct a hearing that affords employer Golden Dragon Restaurant due process regarding the possible violations referenced in OLSE's December 12th letter. (Administrative Code Section 12R.7(b).) The Hearing Officer will promptly set a hearing date and notify the parties.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the hearing officer [will] provide written Findings of Fact to OLSE and to Golden Dragon Restaurant. OLSE will then make a final determination and notify Golden Dragon Restaurant."

By letter dated January 24, 2006, the undersigned hearing officer provided written notice to the Golden Dragon Restaurant and the OLSE that a hearing would be conducted on February 17, 2006. The undersigned hearing officer requested the OLSE to submit a pre-hearing statement on or before February 1, 2006, and the Golden Dragon Restaurant was requested to submit a pre-hearing statement on or before February 8, 2006. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 3) The OLSE was specifically requested to submit a "detailed statement of issues presented to the Hearing Officer for Findings," and the Golden Dragon Restaurant was specifically requested to submit a "response to OLSE's statement of issues presented to the Hearing Officer for decision."

By letter dated January 26, 2006, Deputy City Attorney Jill Figg, on behalf of the OLSE, requested a continuance of the hearing until March 31, 2006. The request was not opposed by Golden Dragon Restaurant. By letter dated February 1, 2006, the undersigned hearing officer provided written notice to the OLSE and the Golden Dragon Restaurant that the hearing would be conducted on April 21, 2006 instead of February 17, 2006, as originally scheduled. The OLSE was requested to submit its pre-hearing statement on or before March 3, 2006, and the Golden Dragon Restaurant was requested to submit its pre-hearing statement on or before March 17, 2006. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 4)

On February 22, 2006, twenty-one additional Golden Dragon employees filed claims with the OLSE regarding the restaurant's payment practices. Each claimant alleged having received either "bad paychecks" or no paychecks for work performed at the restaurant. Most of the claims alleged the receipt of bad paychecks or no checks during the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006, the restaurant's final day of operation. The OLSE accepted the claims since the employees alleged that they were not paid for time worked and, under the MWO, the employees were entitled to minimum wage for each hour of work performed.

On March 3, 2006, the OLSE submitted a pre-hearing statement, which was served on the restaurant and its owners and which includes OLSE Exhibits 1-18. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 5)

The pre-hearing statement sets forth in detail the following: (1) the OLSE's findings concerning

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the 9 employees who filed complaints with the department in March 2005; (2) the results of the OLSE's audit of Golden Dragon payment practices during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, wherein the department determined that 37 various employees were paid less than the minimum wage required under the MWO; and (3) the OLSE's findings concerning the 21 employees who filed complaints with the department on February 22, 2006 alleging receipt of bad paychecks and/or no paychecks. The 37 employees identified by the department as being underpaid during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 include the initial 9 claimants, 12 of the 21 claimants who filed on February 22, 2006, and 16 non-claimant employees. The pre-hearing statement lists the following issues to be presented to the hearing officer: "The OLSE requests that the hearing officer make written findings on the

following issues:

- (1) Did Golden Dragon Restaurant violate the MWO by failing to pay minimum wages to the identified 37 employees (including the nine claimants)? If so, how much does it owe each employee in back wages? How much does it owe each employee in administrative penalties?
- (2) Did Golden Dragon Restaurant violate the MWO by failing to pay the 21 claimants wages for a total of \$122,888.49? If so, how much does it owe each employee in back wages?
- (3) Did Golden Dragon Restaurant violate the MWO by failing to pay minimum wage to any employee? If so, how much does it owe the City in administrative penalties?
- (4) Did Golden Dragon Restaurant fail to give the OLSE reasonable access to its payroll records for March 16, 2005 through the present?

In sum, the OLSE seeks a determination regarding 46 employees: (1) the original 9 claimants, plus; (2) the 21 claimants who filed on February 22, 2006, plus; (3) the 16 nonclaimant employees identified by the department as being underpaid during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005.

The Golden Dragon Restaurant did not submit a pre-hearing statement on or before March 17, 2006 as requested, and on March 31, 2006 the undersigned hearing officer sent a facsimile message to the Golden Dragon Restaurant and its owners, Gim Bong Lee and Big

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Hong Ng, stating that a pre-hearing statement was not received and requesting that a statement be submitted on or before April 11, 2006. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 6) Neither the Golden Dragon Restaurant nor either of its owners submitted the requested pre-hearing statement, and the restaurant offered no response to the OLSE's statement of issues presented to the hearing officer.

Based on the OLSE's estimated time to present its case, the parties were informed by written notice dated April 11, 2006 that two additional days of hearing were scheduled for April 24, 2006 and April 26, 2006. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 7)

On April 19, 2006, Gregory de la Pena, counsel for Golden Dragon owner Big Hong Ng, requested a continuance of the hearings for the purpose of effectuating a settlement of the matter and/or to prepare a defense. That same day, written objections to the request for continuance were submitted by OLSE counsel Jill Figg, OLSE Supervising Compliance Officer Richard Waller, and 17 claimants and former employees of the Golden Dragon Restaurant. By written notice dated April 19, 2006, the undersigned hearing officer denied the request for continuance for the following reasons: (1) there was no indication that the restaurant owner was unable to appear, (2) no other good cause was articulated, and (3) the OLSE would not stipulate to a continuance.

Public hearings were conducted on the following dates: April 21, 2006 (City Hall Room 408); April 24, 2006 (City Hall Room 408); April 26, 2006 (City Hall Room 406); and June 9, 2006 (City Hall Room 408). Deputy City Attorney Jill Figg represented the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement at each of the hearings. Golden Dragon Restaurant co-owners Big Hong Ng and Gim Bong Lee did not appear at any of the hearings, and Mr. Lee was not represented at any of the hearings. Attorney representative Gregory de la Pena appeared on behalf of co-owner Big Hong Ng at the April 21, 2006 hearing, which was continued by mutual request of the parties during the presentation of OLSE's opening statement. At the commencement of the April 24, 2006 hearing, Mr. de la Pena made a brief statement on behalf of Big Hong Ng wherein he notified the undersigned hearing officer that Ms. Ng did not intend to participate any further in the hearings due to financial constraints, and he then excused himself from the hearing.

At the hearings, the parties had full opportunity to present relevant evidence and pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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argument, and Hearing Officer's Exhibits 1 through 7 were entered into the record, as were OLSE Exhibits 1 through 50. The OLSE exhibits contain documents detailing the OLSE investigation; communications with Golden Dragon owners and representatives; payroll records, timesheets, audit calculations and related documents; and documents supporting individual wage claims. The OLSE also called 29 witnesses, who each testified under oath. Table 1 ("Witness List – OLSE and Golden Dragon Restaurant"), attached and incorporated, sets forth the name and identity of each of the witnesses who appeared on behalf of the OLSE, and the date the witness appeared. David Yeh was sworn under oath to act as the interpreter for each of the claimants who testified.

The record was held open through July 14, 2006 to provide the parties an opportunity to submit post-hearing legal briefs and proposed findings of fact, which were timely submitted by the OLSE. The record closed on July 14, 2006.

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

Case Chronology

- 1. Pursuant to Administrative Code Section 12.R.4 (the Minimum Wage Ordinance or MWO), the minimum wage to be paid by employers in San Francisco was established at an hourly rate of \$8.50 effective February 23, 2004. For the period January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 the minimum wage was \$8.62, and for the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, the minimum wage is \$8.82. Pursuant to Section 12.R.3(b) of the MWO, an employer is any person, as defined in Section 18 of the California Labor Code, including corporate officers or executives, who directly or indirectly or through an agent or another person, including through the services of a temporary services or staffing agency or similar entity, employs or exercises control over the wages, hours or working conditions of any employee.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 12.R.7(b) of the Minimum Wage Ordinance, the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement is authorized to take appropriate steps to enforce the MWO, and may investigate any possible violations of the MWO by an employer.
- 3. Gregory de la Pena, counsel for Big Hong Ng, stated at the April 21, 2006 hearing that the Golden Dragon Restaurant was a general partnership co-owned by partners Big Hong Ng

and Gim Bong (Jack) Lee, and the restaurant went out of business on January 17, 2006. The restaurant was located at 822 Washington Street in San Francisco, California.

- 4. It is undisputed that Gim Bong Lee and Big Hong Ng, in the capacity of partners of the business, had control over the wages, hours, and working conditions of the restaurant staff. A the April 24, 2006 hearing, OLSE manager Donna Levitt testified that the Golden Dragon Restaurant (hereafter "Golden Dragon") was subject to the Minimum Wage Ordinance for the period from February 23, 2004, when the Ordinance went into effect, through January 17, 2006, when the restaurant discontinued operations.
- 5. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, OLSE Supervising Compliance Officer Richard Waller testified that the OLSE only investigates the wage payment practices of a business following an employee complaint. Under Section 12.R.3(a) of the MWO, an employee is any person who, in a particular week, performs at least two (2) hours of work for an employer within the geographic boundaries of the City, and qualifies as an employee entitled to payment of a minimum wage from any employer under the California minimum wage law, as provided under Section 1197 of the California Labor Code and wage orders published by the California Industrial Welfare Commission, or is a participant in a Welfare-to-Work Program.
- 6. On March 7, 2005, Golden Dragon employee Min Shan Liu complained to the OLSE about the restaurant's payment practices, and OLSE Contract Compliance Officer Josh Pastreich made the initial entry in the OLSE Activity Sheet for Case No. MWO-C-36 regarding Ms. Liu's complaint. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A) OLSE Manager Donna Levitt testified that the activity sheet documents the progression of the case, and the following OLSE staff members, each of whom worked on the case, verified under oath the accuracy of the activity sheet entries: Supervising Compliance Officer Richard Waller, and Compliance Officers Josh Pastreich and Robin Ho.
- 7. On March 14, 2005, Golden Dragon employees Min Shan Liu and Cong Hua Huang each filed a wage claim report with the OLSE. (OLSE Exhibit 1) Min Shan Liu's claim states: "Not getting paid, deducting money for meals, not paying all hours." Cong Hua Huang's claim states: "Not getting pay biweekly deducting \$ from meals, also deducting 1 hour for every 8 hours." Also on March 14, 2005, OLSE Compliance Officer Josh Pastreich made the following entry in the case —7-

activity sheet:

"I interviewed Min Shan Liu (Sunny) and Cong Hua Huang (Candy) with Winny translating. I had them both fill out Wage Claim Reports and had them describe in some detail the work. They said that some people have not been paid for up to 6 months. The employer has a hand written record of workers hours. Workers are usually paid one hour less than they usually work. Tips on large parties are not distributed accurately or sometimes at all. The power and gas have been cut off due to non-payment in the last month and Candy's last check bounced, which makes me very concerned that the restaurant will declare bankruptcy."

- 8. On March 15, 2005, the OLSE received six additional complaints from Golden Dragon employees Raymond Yuen, Bie E. Xi, Li Chan Huang, Hua Mai Yue, Xiao Min Chan, and Yat Yau Lam. They alleged unpaid wages, underpayment of minimum wage, and unpaid overtime. (OLSE Exhibit 2)
- 9. Pursuant to Section 12.R.5(c) of the MWO, San Francisco employers are required to retain payroll records pertaining to employees for a period of four years, and employers shall allow the OLSE access to such records, with appropriate notice and at a mutually agreeable time, to monitor compliance with the requirements of the MWO.
- 10. On March 15, 2005, Josh Pastreich of the OLSE sent a letter to Golden Dragon owners Gim Bong Lee and Big Hong Ng, which states in relevant part:

"Under the authority granted this office by the Minimum Wage Ordinance (MWO) Section 12(R)(5)(C), we are requesting that you provide us with the Golden Dragon Restaurant's payroll records from February 23, 2004, through present. These documents should be provided within 10 business days, and no later than March 28, 2005."

(OLSE Exhibit 4)

- 11. On March 21, 2005, the OLSE received the ninth complaint against Golden Dragon from employee Yu Mei Hou. (OLSE Exhibit 3) Claimant Hou alleged unpaid wages, underpayment of minimum wage, and the failure to pay for overtime.
- 12. The OLSE case activity sheet indicates that on March 23, 2005, Winnie Leung telephoned the OLSE on behalf of the Golden Dragon to advise that she had received the March 15, 2005 letter and would deliver the requested Golden Dragon's payroll records to the OLSE on March 30, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A) The activity sheet further states that Ms. Leung informed the

OLSE that Golden Dragon employees were paid after conducting a picket at the restaurant. News stories and at least one editorial chronicled events surrounding the picket. (OLSE Exhibit 4)

- 13. The case activity sheet states that on March 30, 2005, Golden Dragon representatives Winnie Leung and Francis Chan (the activity sheet entry indicates that Mr. Chan is the accountant for Golden Dragon) delivered Golden Dragon payroll records to the OLSE for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A)
- 14. By letter dated April 4, 2005, the OLSE requested timesheets and meal deduction agreements from the Golden Dragon. (OLSE Exhibit 5)
- 15. On April 28, 2005, Mr. Chan delivered some additional payroll records to the OLSE for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. According to the activity sheet entry for April 28, 2005, Mr. Chan explained that Golden Dragon was previously in arrears with employee payroll approximately five months and that checks had bounced in the past, but the restaurant was current with its payroll. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A)
- 16. On May 17, 2005, Mr. Chan delivered more payroll records for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. The May 17, 2005 activity sheet entry states that Mr. Chan advised the OLSE that he would return with additional requested documents on May 18, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A)
- 17. The May 18, 2005 activity sheet entry states that owner Big Hong Ng appeared at the OLSE without the additional requested documents. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A) However, Ms. Ng signed an agreement to provide to the OLSE by June 1, 2005 the missing payroll records, including copies of cashed checks, employee sign in sheets, and schedules. (OLSE Exhibit 5) Attached to the agreement was a list of specific cancelled checks the OLSE identified as missing from the previously submitted records. Golden Dragon subsequently produced the missing documents.
- 18. In early July 2005, the OLSE prepared an audit for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. In the audit, the OLSE determined that Golden Dragon violated the MWO by not paying minimum wage to 37 employees. (OLSE Exhibit 6) The sum of underpayments was originally determined to be in the amount of \$59,849.43. (OLSE Exhibit 6)

- 19. In support of the July 2005 audit, the OLSE submitted copies of Golden Dragon time sheets (entitled "Employee's Daily Punctuality Record") and payroll records from Paychex and ADP payroll services. (OLSE Exhibits 20 & 21) OLSE Contract Compliance Officer Robin Ho testified that she was responsible for calculating the wage underpayments, and she provided detailed testimony regarding the audit methodology.
- To perform the audit, Ms. Ho looked at various documents for each worker, 20. depending on the records that were provided to the OLSE by Golden Dragon and the records provided by the employees. The records considered by Ms. Ho included: (1) Golden Dragon time sheets, (2) Golden Dragon payroll records from Paychex and ADP, (3) copies of paychecks, (4) check stubs from payroll checks, and (5) logs or diary entries kept by employees for hours worked. Using these documents, Ms. Ho was able to calculate the number of hours worked during each relevant pay period for each employee, as well as the amount of wages paid by the restaurant. Ms. Ho then calculated the amount of minimum wages (including all overtime and/or double time wages) owed to each employee for each relevant pay period and from that amount she subtracted the amount paid by the restaurant to arrive at the sum of unpaid minimum wages for each employee during each relevant pay period. Ms. Ho testified that pursuant to state law, overtime wages were calculated when an employee worked more than 8 hours, up to and including 12 hours in a single workday, or for the first 8 hours worked on the seventh consecutive day of work in a workweek. Double time wages were calculated for any hours worked more than 12 hours in a single work day, or more than 8 hours on the seventh consecutive day in a single workweek.
- 21. According to the case activity sheet and OLSE staff testimony, OLSE staff members Robin Ho, Josh Pastreich, and Richard Waller met with Francis Chan of Golden Dragon on July 13, 2005 to review the findings of the audit. (OLSE Exhibit 19-A)
- 22. Pursuant to Section 12.R.7(b) of the MWO, if the OLSE has reason to believe that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate temporary or interim relief to mitigate the violation or maintain the status quo pending completion of a full investigation or hearing. By letter dated July 15, 2005, the OLSE notified Golden Dragon of the MWO provision that allows the OLSE to issue interim orders for relief to mitigate violations of the MWO where it has reason to believe

that a violation has occurred. Included with the letter was a notice and order that the OLSE ordered to be posted in the restaurant. (OLSE Exhibit 7) The interim order states in pertinent part:

"The Golden Dragon Restaurant shall keep complete and accurate time records for each employee during their employment with the restaurant. The time records shall show when employees begin and end each work period. (Minimum Wage Ordinance, San Francisco Administrative Code Sec.12R.5(c) (MWO) and Industrial Welfare Commission (IWC) Order #5, Section 7(A)(3).)

The Golden Dragon Restaurant shall post where it can be easily read during the workday a notice specifying the regular paydays when wages are paid. (California Labor Code, Sec 207).

The Golden Dragon Restaurant will pay to employees all wages due on the specified regular paydays. Work performed between the 1st and 15th days shall be paid be no later than the 26th day in the month the work was performed and work performed between the 16th day and the last day of the month, shall be paid no later than the 10th day of the following month. (California Labor Code, Sec 204).

The Golden Dragon Restaurant will pay to employees all overtime and/or double time due properly. Eight (8) hours of labor constitutes a day's work. Employment beyond eight (8) hours in any workday or more than six(6) days in any workweek must pay (a) One and one-half times the employee's regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of eight hours up to and including 12 hours in any workday, and for the first eight hours worked on the seventh(7th) consecutive day of work in a workweek; and (b) Double the employee's regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of eight(8) hours on the seventh(7th) consecutive day of work in a work week. (Industrial Welfare Commission (IWC) Order #5, Section 3(A)(1)."

- 23. The July 18, 2005 activity sheet entry by Robin Ho states that Ms. Ho and Josh Pastreich hand delivered the interim order to Big Hong Ng and Francis Chan at the restaurant on that date. The entry states that Ms. Ho instructed Mr. Chan to post the order, which he agreed to do.
- 24. The July 19, 2005 activity sheet entry by Robin Ho states that Ms. Ho and Josh Pastreich visited the restaurant on that day and found that the restaurant had failed to post the July 15, 2005 interim order. Ms. Ho and Mr. Pastreich each testified that they interviewed some workers during the July 19th visit regarding the restaurant's payment practices. The activity sheet states that Robin Ho and Josh Pastreich again visited the restaurant on July 20, 2005, at which time they learned that the restaurant was three pay periods behind for some employees.

25. By letter dated July 25, 2005, the OLSE issued a second interim order for relief to mitigate violations of the MWO. Included with the letter was an additional notice and order that the OLSE ordered to be posted. (OLSE Exhibit 8) The July 25, 2005 interim order states in pertinent part:

"No later than August 10, 2005, the Golden Dragon Restaurant shall pay to employees all wages due from June 1, 2005 to through July 31, 2005. California Labor Code Section 204 requires that work performed between the 1st and 15th day shall be paid be no later than the 26th day in the month that the work was performed, and that work performed between the 16th day and the last day of the month shall be paid no later than the 10th day of the following month.

Failure to comply with this order by August 10, 2005 may result in an order after hearing to pay an additional sum as an administrative penalty in the amount of \$100 per day (\$50 payable to the City and \$50 payable to each affected employee) for each day or portion thereof a violation occurred.

A copy of this order shall be posted in English and Chinese in an area frequented by employees where it may be easily read during the workday and a copy made available to every employee upon request.

The Golden Dragon Restaurant is required to comply with both this Order and the Order issued by the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement on July 15, 2005."

The July 26, 2005 activity sheet entry states that Robin Ho and Josh Pastreich delivered the "Additional Notice and Order" to the restaurant on that date.

- 26. According to the case activity sheet and their testimony at hearing, Robin Ho and Josh Pastreich visited the restaurant on July 28, 2005 and found that neither the July 15, 2005 Interim Order nor the July 25, 2005 Additional Notice and Order were posted.
- 27. According to the case activity sheet and OLSE staff testimony, Francis Chan agreed to pay the back wage assessment of \$59,849.43 during a meeting on August 17, 2005. Mr. Chan proposed the first installment be paid in mid-September 2005, and the second in mid-October 2005. The OLSE staff agreed and explained that the payment would be made to the City and that Golden Dragon would provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers for the 37 employees identified in the audit so that the City could issue them checks for the back wages owed. The OLSE also requested payroll records showing that Golden Dragon was current with its payroll.

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28. By letter dated August 17, 2005, the OLSE confirmed the acceptance of Mr. Chan's offer. (OLSE Exhibit 9) The letter states in pertinent part:

During the meeting, you proposed that the restaurant would like to pay the back wage (\$59,849.43) in two installments. First installment will pay off 50% of the total amount of back wages and it will be due in mid-September. The second installment will pay off the other half, 50% of the total amount of back wage, and it will be due in Mid-October. The money will be payable to the City and County of San Francisco. You will confirm with us by this Friday (8/19/05) if Big Hong, the owner agrees with this payment plan.

29. On September 15, 2005, in a telephone conversation with OLSE staff, Mr. Chan requested on behalf of Golden Dragon a one-week extension to deliver the first one-half installment of the total amount due for back wages. The OLSE granted this one-week extension by letter dated on September 16, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 10) The letter states in part:

The Office of Labor Standards Enforcement (the OLSE) hereby grants you one more week extension. The new deadline is September 23, 2005. However, if the owner of the restaurant fails to make the 1st installment payment, which is \$29,924.72, payable to the City and County of San Francisco to our office by the due day, this matter will be referred for a formal hearing at which time the OLSE may order administrative penalties of \$100 for each day or portion hereof each employee or person as to whom the violation occurred or continued, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 12R.7(b).

- 30. OLSE staff testified that Golden Dragon failed to make the agreed payment in September 2005.
- 31. By letter dated October 6, 2005, the OLSE again noticed Golden Dragon of its back wage determination, demanded payment of back wages by close of business October 21, 2005, reminded the restaurant of the previous interim orders, and requested payroll records from March 16, 2005 to October 6, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 11) The letter states in pertinent part:

"As previously noticed on September 16, 2005 the Office Labor Standards Enforcement (the OLSE) has made a determination that Golden Dragon Restaurant violated provisions of San Francisco Administrative Code, Chapter 12R, Minimum Wage Ordinance (MWO) by underpaying 38 employees \$59,849.43 during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. The OLSE's determination is based on the review of payroll records, interviews of employees, discussions with managers and the OLSE's observation of business operations. The audit summary detailing the amount owed is enclosed for your review. Furthermore, OLSE also requests copies of restaurants payroll records, timesheets and earning statements and cancel checks from March 16,

2005 to the present. These records are to be received by the OLSE by the close of business October 21, 2005."

Although the letter states that the OLSE identified 38 underpaid employees, the department actually identified 37 underpaid employees.

- Dragon on that date to interview employees regarding the restaurant's payment practices. During the site visit, the OLSE interviewed ten employees. All ten employees complained that they had no been paid since mid-September, and they also complained that their checks could not be cashed. The employees also complained that they did not get paid for overtime worked and that \$1.00 per hour was deducted from their pay for meals. OLSE staff also advised Francis Chan that the continued failure of Golden Dragon to abide by the MWO could lead to significant penalties.
- 33. Robin Ho testified that on October 29, 2005, an employee who declined to be interviewed the day before telephoned the OLSE and made the same complaint as the other employees. She further testified that the employees provided the OLSE with documents supporting their complaints of the restaurant's failure to pay the employees. (OLSE Exhibit 12)
- 34. On December 12, 2005, the OLSE formally requested that the Controller's Office conduct a hearing in this matter. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 1)
- 35. On December 30, 2005, the OLSE again requested payroll records from March 16, 2005 to the date of that letter, and made a final offer for Golden Dragon to remedy the violation before going to hearing. (OLSE Exhibit 15) OLSE staff testified that the restaurant failed to respond to the December 30, 2005 letter.
- 36. The January 13, 2006 case activity sheet entry states that the San Francisco Tax Collector's Office informed Robin Ho that the Golden Dragon Restaurant had not paid any business tax since 1998, and that the business was operating without a business registration.
- The January 20, 2006 entry states that restaurant owner Big Hong Ng and her son visited the OLSE on that date to request the return of payroll documents. The entry states that Ms. Ng's son informed the OLSE that the restaurant was "shut down" by the Department of Public Health on January 17, 2006.

- 38. By letter dated January 24, 2006, San Francisco Deputy Controller Monique Zmuda informed the owners of the Golden Dragon Restaurant and Deputy City Attorney Jill Figg that the Controller's Office appointed the undersigned hearing officer to conduct a hearing regarding possible violations of the MWO. (Hearing Officer's Exhibit 2)
- On February 22, 2006, a total of 21 Golden Dragon employees filed unpaid wage claims with the OLSE claiming that they had either received bad paychecks or no checks for a total amount then calculated to be \$122,888.49. (OLSE Exhibit 17) The majority of the claims relate to the period September 2005 through January 17, 2006, during the restaurant's final months of business. The OLSE investigated the complaints since the employees were entitled to at least minimum wage for each hour worked. The OLSE determined that Golden Dragon owed back wages to the 21 employees based on payroll records, documents within the employees' possession (such as bounced paychecks), and statements from the employees.
- 40. The unpaid wages calculated by the OLSE for the 21 claimants who filed on February 22, 2006 represents, for many of the employees, only unpaid wages for bad paychecks and/or no paychecks that were issued in the months before the restaurant closed. This amount does not necessarily represent the amount of minimum wages owed during the relevant periods. OLSE staff testified that the department has not performed a comprehensive audit of wages owed for the period March 16, 2005 through January 17, 2006 because the restaurant did not provide the OLSE with payroll records for that period until February 24, 2006, and those records do not include documentation for the period March 16, 2005 through June 30, 2005. The OLSE therefore requested to reserve the right for possible future hearings regarding potential violations of the MWO for the period from March 16, 2005 through January 17, 2006. The request specifically included a request to establish at a later time that additional wages may be owed to the employees who received bad paychecks and/or no paychecks in 2005 and 2006.

The Scope Of Issues Properly Before The Hearing Officer

41. In its March 5, 2006 Pre-Hearing Statement and at the April 21, 2006 hearing, the OLSE requested that the hearing officer make written findings regarding alleged wage violations

during the audit period of February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, and to also make written findings concerning the restaurant's alleged issuance of bad paychecks and no paychecks in 2005 and 2006.

- 42. At the commencement of the April 24, 2006 hearing, and in response to the undersigned hearing officer's inquiry regarding the scope of issues to be decided, Gregory de la Pena, counsel for Golden Dragon owner Big Hong Ng, objected to the hearing officer making any findings for the period after October 6, 2005, which is the date stated in the initial December 12, 2005 request from the OLSE to the Controller's Office to appoint a hearing officer for the purpose of conducting a hearing regarding the restaurant's alleged violations of the MWO. However, counsel did not articulate whether or how his client would be prejudiced if such findings were made. Counsel for the OLSE pointed out that when the OLSE made the initial request for a hearing, the department was unaware of any violations that occurred after October 6, 2005 because the 21 claimants alleging bad paychecks/no paychecks did not file their claims until February 22, 2006.
- pertaining to the restaurant's payment practices through January 17, 2006 for the following reasons: (1) the hearing officer specifically requested the parties to submit a written pre-hearing statement setting forth the issues to be determined, which the OLSE did in a timely manner; (2) the OLSE pre-hearing statement includes a request for the hearing officer to make written findings regarding the alleged issuance of bad paychecks/no checks between 2005 and January 17, 2006, when the restaurant closed for business; (3) Golden Dragon received proper notice of the OLSE's request for findings regarding alleged violations through January 17, 2006, and the restaurant failed to respond to the request even after the hearing officer extended the deadline to do so; (4) al of the claimants who filed in February 2006 raise the same issue as the March 2005 claimants (i.e. whether the restaurant paid the minimum wage under the MWO); and (5) Golden Dragon received proper notice of the potential issues to be determined and had ample notice to be heard, and the restaurant was therefore afforded proper due process. Finally, the OLSE argues that pursuant to

the Administrative Procedures Act (Cal. Govt. Code §§ 11507, 11516), which does not govern but may provide guidance, if a party objects to amended or supplemental pleadings and shows prejudice, the appropriate remedy is for the hearing officer to continue the hearing to provide the party ample opportunity to respond to the amended or supplemental issues. In this case, the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to articulate whether or how it would be prejudiced if the hearing officer made written findings for alleged violations through January 17, 2006.

44. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, the undersigned hearing officer ruled that the OLSE would be permitted to submit evidence regarding alleged wage underpayments through January 17, 2006, which the OLSE did.

Penalties Sought By The OLSE On Behalf Of The Claimants And Non-Claimant Employees, And Payments Sought on Behalf Of The City

- 45. Section 12.R.7(b) of the MWO provides that penalties may be assessed on behalf of an employee when an employer fails to pay the minimum wage. Where the OLSE, after a hearing that affords a suspected violator due process pursuant to Administrative Code Section 12.R.7(b), determines that a violation has occurred, it may order any appropriate relief including, but not limited to, reinstatement, the payment of any back wages unlawfully withheld, and the payment of an additional sum as an administrative penalty in the amount of \$50.00 to each employee or person whose rights under the MWO were violated for each day or portion thereof that the violation occurred or continued. Section 12.R.7(b) further provides that the OLSE may also order a violating employer or person to pay to the City a sum of not more than \$50.00 for each day or portion thereof and for each employee or person as to whom the violation occurred or continued (\$50.00 per day multiplied by the number of underpaid employees).
- 46. Penalties and payments under Section 12R.7(b) are available for each day a violation "occurred or continued." The OLSE interprets a violation of the MWO to occur on each day that the MWO is violated. So, for example, a violation occurs each day an employer pays any employee less than the local minimum wage. The OLSE has interpreted a violation of the MWO to continue on each day that the violation is not remedied. So, for example, a violation continues each day an employer fails to pay any employee the minimum wages that are owing. The OLSE

requests a determination of maximum penalties that may be assessed on behalf of the employees, as well as the maximum payment that may be sought on behalf of the City, for the period the violations continued through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006.

- The OLSE asserts that it will use any payment to the City to offset the cost of implementation and enforcement of the MWO in general, pursuant to MWO Section 12R.7(b), which states that payments "shall be allocated to the Agency and shall be used to offset the costs of implementing and enforcing this Chapter." However, Section 12R.7(b) of the MWO more specifically states that the OLSE may order payment "to compensate the City for the costs of investigating and remedying the violation." The OLSE did not submit any evidence regarding the cost of investigating and remedying the alleged violations at issues.
- 48. OLSE staff members Donna Levitt, Richard Waller, Josh Pastreich, and Robin Ho each testified that of all of the cases investigated by the OLSE, the case involving the Golden Dragon Restaurant is one of the most egregious in terms of the number of claims, the amount of wages at issue, the ongoing nature of the alleged underpayments, and the lack of cooperation from the employer to resolve the matter.

OLSE's Calculation Of Wages Owed To Each Claimant And OLSE'S Calculation of Penalties

Min Shan Liu (Claimant #1)

49. Based on the claimant's testimony at the April 26, 2006 hearing and the documentation submitted at hearing, Min Shan Liu began working at the restaurant in November 2003, and she quit on January 16, 2005. Ms. Liu testified that she worked on a part-time basis as a dim sum seller, bus girl, hostess, and flyer distributor. She further testified that her work schedule depended on her school schedule. The payroll records received by the OLSE from the restaurant for Ms. Liu are scant and inconsistent. For example, the only time sheet provided to the OLSE by the restaurant is for Ms. Liu's final day of work on January 16, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 20) However, there are ADP payroll records for the period January 1, 2005 through February 28, 2005, which include payment through Ms. Liu's final day of work on January 16, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21) Robin Ho of the OLSE testified that the inconsistency in payroll records is attributable,

in part, to the restaurant's practice of paying employee's in arrears. That testimony was corroborated by the submission of a copy of a paycheck from the restaurant to Ms. Liu in the amount of \$382.50, which is dated September 20, 2004 and indicates in the memo section that the payment is for the period "4/16-5/2, 9/1-9/15/04." (OLSE Exhibit 44)

- 50. Ms. Liu credibly testified that she kept personal records of the time she worked for the period September 2004 through January 16, 2005, and those records were admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibits 1 & 44) By comparing the employee's time records with the ADP Payroll records, the OLSE determined that Ms. Liu was owed a minimum wage in the amount of \$2,107.47 for the period September 1, 2004 through January 16, 2005 (\$1,840.25 for work performed in 2004 + \$267.22 for work performed in 2005 = \$2,107.47). Based on the documentation available to the OLSE, Ms. Liu was paid a total of \$1,623.75 during the period at issue, and the restaurant therefore owes her unpaid wages in the amount of \$483.72 (\$2,107.47 \$1,623.75 = \$483.72). Ms. Liu testified that she quit working at the restaurant because she was having difficulty getting paid, which made her feel "useless."
- 51. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Liu in the amount of \$29,900.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on September 1, 2004 and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 598 days for the period September 1, 2004 through April 21, 2006 = \$29,900.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b) of the MWO.

Cong Hua Huang (Claimant #2)

at the restaurant as a weekend bus person for the period July 2004 through March 2005. Ms. Huang testified that she quit because she was having difficulty getting paid. Ms. Huang credibly testified that Golden Dragon payroll records do not accurately reflect the number of hours she worked during the following periods because the restaurant deducted one hour from her timesheets for each 8 hours that she worked: September 16, 2004 through October 15, 2004, and January 16, 2005 through March 31, 2005. The OLSE submitted employee payroll statements for Pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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Ms. Huang through March 31, 2005, and the department calculated wages owed through March 31, 2005. However, the department has specifically requested findings only through the end of the March 15, 2005 audit period, with the exception of those claimants who received bad paychecks or no paychecks in 2005-2006.

- Restaurant payroll records indicate that Ms. Huang worked 56 hours during the 53. period September 16, 2004 through October 15, 2004, and payroll records indicate she worked 219 hours during the period January 16, 2005 through March 31, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 36-A) However, Ms. Huang credibly testified that she actually worked 64.57 hours during the period September 16, 2004 through October 15, 2004, and she worked 250.27 hours during the period January 16, 2005 through March 31, 2005. Based on the number of hours claimed by Ms. Huang, the OLSE determined that she was owed wages in the amount of \$548.85 for the period September 16, 2004 through October 15, 2004 (64.57 hrs X \$8.50 minimum wage = \$548.85), and she was owed wages in the amount of \$2,157.32 for the period January 16, 2005 through March 31, 2005 (250.27 hrs X \$8.62 = \$2,157.32). The OLSE calculates the total wages owed for the two periods to be in the amount of \$2,706.17 (\$548.85 for 2004 wages + \$2,157.32 for 2005 wages = \$2,706.17). Payroll records indicate that Ms. Huang received wages in the amount of \$2,362.57, and the OLSE calculated that Golden Dragon owes the claimant wages in the sum of \$344.99. However, the correct amount owed through March 31, 2005 would be \$343.60 (\$2,706.17 - \$2,362.57 = \$343.60). Since the OLSE specifically requested a determination of wages owed for the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 for this claimant, the amount of wages owed is recalculated as follows. Based on the records submitted by the OLSE, the claimant was entitled to a sum of \$2,376.20 for work performed through March 15, 2005, and she was paid a sum of \$2,073.80. Accordingly, the amount owed through March 15, 2005 equals \$302.40 (\$2,376.20 - \$2,073.80 = \$302.40). The OLSE reserved the right to seek any additional underpayments to which the claimant may be entitled for work performed after March 15, 2005.
 - 54. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Huang in the amount of \$29,150.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on September 16, 2004 and continuing through the first day of hearing on PJK/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 583 days for the period 9/16/04 through 4/21/06 = \$29,150.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Raymond Yuen (Claimant #3)

- At the April 26, 2006 hearing, claimant Raymond Yuen testified that he worked at 55. the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a food server from February 2003 until the second week of March 2005 when he quit because he was having difficulty getting paid. Mr. Yuen testified that he and other employees picketed the restaurant on or around March 5, 2005 as a means of protesting the restaurant's failure to pay its workers. According to Mr. Yuen, the restaurant owed him about 9 paychecks at the time of the picket. He testified that he received some of the pay that was owed to him following the picket. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Yuen for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 32-A) Based on the employee's timesheets, the OLSE determined that Mr. Yuen was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$13,810.10 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 32-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibits B & C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Yuen was paid in the sum of \$11,729.88 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Yuen unpaid wages in the amount of \$2,080.22 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$13,810.10 owed - \$11,729.88 paid = \$2,080.22).
 - 56. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Yuen in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Bi E. Xie (Claimant #4)

At the April 24, 2006 hearing, claimant Bi E. Xie testified that she began working as 57. a dim sum server at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in February 2004, and she continued to work at the restaurant until she quit on or around February 15, 2005. However, Golden Dragon payroll records indicate that Ms. Xie worked through February 28, 2005. (Exhibit 21) Ms. Xie credibly testified that in 2004, she worked 90 hours per bi-monthly pay period, for which she earned a flat rate of \$650.00. Payroll records corroborate the claimed earnings of \$650.00 per pay period. (OLSE Exhibit 21) The OLSE calculated that Ms. Xie was underpaid \$115.00 per pay period throughout most of 2004 because, at the minimum wage of \$8.50 per hour; her earnings should have been in the amount of \$765.00 per pay period, instead of \$650.00 (90 hours X \$8.50/hr. = \$765.00). Beginning at the end of December 2004, Ms. Xie was paid on an hourly basis and she submitted timesheets to the restaurant beginning on December 23, 2004. (OLSE Exhibit 27-A) The OLSE compared Golden Dragon timesheet records to the restaurant's payroll records to calculate the amount of wages owed to Ms. Xie for the period December 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005, based on the number of hours worked. The OLSE calculated the total wages owing to Ms. Xie under the MWO for the period February 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005 by subtracting the amount she was paid during that period (\$15,987.03) from the amount she should have been paid under the MWO (\$20,164.68). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) Accordingly, the OLSE calculates a sum of unpaid wages in the amount of \$4,177.65 for the period February 23, 2004, when the MWO went into effect, through February 28, 2005, when she quit. Ms. Xie testified that she experienced financial hardship while employed at the restaurant, and that she returned to China on a temporary basis for medical care because she could not afford to be treated in San Francisco.

58. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Xie in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

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Li Chan Huang (Claimant #5)

- Claimant Li Chan Huang did not appear as a witness at any of the hearings. The 59. OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for claimant Huang for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22) Based on the claimant's timesheets obtained from the restaurant, the OLSE determined that the claimant was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$8,875.33 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, the claimant was paid the sum of \$8,704.44 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). The OLSE therefore calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages in the amount of \$170.89 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$8,875.33 owed -\$8,704.44 paid = \$170.89).
- The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to claimant Huang in the amount 60. of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Yue Hua Mai (Claimant #6)

Claimant Yue Hua Mai did not appear as a witness at any of the hearings. The 61. OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for claimant Mai for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22) Based on the claimant's timesheets obtained from the restaurant, the OLSE determined that the claimant was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$8,026.16 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, the claimant was paid in the sum of -23-

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\$7,920.94 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages in the amount of \$105.22 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$8,026.16 owed - \$7,920.94 paid = \$105.22).

The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to claimant Mai in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Xiao Min Chen (Claimant #7)

- OLSE received incomplete payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for claimant Chen for the period October 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22) The OLSE also received some time records from the claimant. (OLSE Exhibit 20) The OLSE calculated the wages owed for the period October 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005 by reconciling restaurant timesheets with payroll records to the extent possible, and by also considering the claimant's time records. The OLSE determined that the claimant was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$3,187.62 for the period October 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005. This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. The OLSE further determined that the claimant was paid in the sum of \$2,017.89 for work performed during that period. Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages in the amount of \$1,169.73 for work performed during the period October 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$3,187.62 owed \$2,017.89 paid = \$1,169.73).
- 64. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to claimant Chen in the amount of \$28,400.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on October 1, 2004 and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 568 days for the period 10/1/04 through 4/21/06 = \$28,400.00). (OLSE Post--24-

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Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Yat Yau Lam (Claimant #8)

- 65. Claimant Yat Yau Lam testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that she worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant for the period June 30, 2002 through March 13, 2005. She further testified that she quit after participating in the employee picket for payment of wages. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Lam for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 48-A) Based on the claimant's timesheets obtained from the restaurant, the OLSE determined that Ms. Wong was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$11,735.46 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 48-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, the claimant was paid in the sum of \$10,411.16 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21) Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Lam unpaid wages in the amount of \$1,324.30 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$11,735.46 owed \$10,411.16 paid = \$1,324.30).
- 66. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Lam in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Yu Mei Hou (Claimant #9)

67. Claimant Yu Mei Hou requested to withdraw her claim from the OLSE following a settlement with the employer in a state law claim.

Zhuo Hui Huang (Claimant #10)

68. Claimant Zhuo Hui Huang testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that he worked at -25-

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the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a waiter from August 1996 until the restaurant closed on January 17, 2006. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Huang for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 35-A) Based on the employee's timesheets obtained from the restaurant, the OLSE determined that Mr. Huang was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$16,413.62 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 35-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Huang was paid in the sum of \$13,524.15 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang unpaid wages in the amount of \$2,889.47 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$16,413.62 owed - \$13,524.15 paid = \$2,889.47).

In addition to calculating the amount of unpaid minimum wages for work performed 69. for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang wages in the amount of \$4,263.86 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period October 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that he was able to cash only one of the three checks he received after October 1, 2005, and the other two checks bounced. Copies of the bounced checks were admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 35-A) The bad paychecks were for combined gross earnings of \$1,340.41 for work performed during the pay period from October 1, 2005 through October 15, 2005 (gross earnings of \$749.94), and the pay period from November 16, 2005 through November 30, 2005 (gross earnings of \$590.47). The OLSE calculated that Mr. Huang should have earned gross minimum wages in the amount of \$2,297.23 for the 266.5 hours of work performed during the following pay periods for which no paychecks were issued: October 16, 2005 through October 30, 2005 (93.5 hours); December 1, 2005 through December 15, 2005 (75.5 hours); and December 16, 2005 through December 31, 2005 (97.5 hours). That amount was calculated by multiplying 266.5 hours of work by the 2005 minimum wage of \$8.62. The OLSE further determined that based on restaurant records, Mr. Huang worked 71 hours in $^{-26-}$

January 2006, for which he received no pay. Since the minimum wage under the MWO is \$8.82 in 2006, the wages owed for the period January 1, 2006 through January 17, 2006 were calculated to be in the amount of \$626.22 (71 hours X \$8.82 = \$626.22). Therefore, the OLSE calculates a sum owed in the amount of \$4,263.86 for the period October 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 (\$1,340.41 in bad paychecks + \$2,297.23 for unpaid wages for October and December 2005 + \$626.22 for unpaid wages for January 2006 = \$4,263.86). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period October 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wages during the two pay periods for which bad paychecks issued, or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the relevant period. The OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant combined wages in the amount of \$7,153.33 (\$2,889.47 for the period 2/23/04 through 3/15/05 + \$4,263.86 for the period 10/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$7,153.33). Mr. Huang testified that he was stressed and worried during the period that he received no compensation for the work he performed.

70. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Yi Chao Zhao (Claimant #11)

71. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, claimant Yi Chao Zhao testified that he began working as a dishwasher at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in December 1997, and he continued to work at the restaurant until it closed on January 17, 2006. Mr. Zhao testified that he generally worked 6 days per week from 6:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Zhao for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 25-A) Based on restaurant timesheet records, the accuracy of which were verified by the claimant, the OLSE determined that Mr. Zhao was owed minimum Pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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wages in the amount of \$24,296.92 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6 & 25-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Zhao was paid in the sum of \$18,735.93 during that period. Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Zhao unpaid wages in the amount of \$5,560.99 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$24,296.92 owed - \$18,735.93 paid = \$5,560.99).

- In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the 72. period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that Mr. Zhao was entitled to minimum wages in the sum of \$5,501.92 for work performed during the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 for which he received either no paychecks or bad paychecks from the restaurant. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The OLSE submitted copies of two paychecks, dated October 24, 2005 and December 10, 2005, which Mr. Zhao credibly testified he was unable to cash due to insufficient funds. (OLSE Exhibit 25-A) Mr. Zhao further credibly testified that he received no other paychecks for work performed after September 1, 2005. The OLSE used restaurant timesheets to determine the number of hours worked from September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006, and the number of hours worked was multiplied by the minimum wage under the MWO (\$8.62/hr. in 2005 and \$8.82/hr. in 2006) to determine the minimum wage earned during that period. In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$11,062.91 (\$5,560.99 for the period $\frac{2}{23}/04$ through $\frac{3}{15}/05 + \frac{5}{5}01.92$ for the period $\frac{9}{1}/05$ to $\frac{1}{17}/06 = \frac{1}{10}$. Mr. Zhao testified that he was required to borrow money from friends and family to pay for his wife's medical needs after the restaurant stopped paying him in September 2005.
 - 73. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Zhao under the MWO in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also

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seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b). Helen Yu (Claimant #12)

- 74. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, claimant Helen Yu testified that she first worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a server from 1981 to 1988. She further testified that she was rehired in 1995 and continued in her employment until the restaurant closed on January 17, 2006. Ms. Yu testified that she generally worked 6 days per week for about 4 to 10 hours per shift. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Yu for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 29-A) Based on the employee's timesheets obtained from the restaurant, the OLSE determined that Ms. Yu was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$23,183.37 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6 & 29) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Ms. Yu was paid in the sum of \$18,403.17 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Yu unpaid wages in the amount of \$4,780.20 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$23,183.37 owed - \$18,403.17 paid = \$4,780.20).
- 75. In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that Ms. Yu was entitled to minimum wages in the sum of \$5,489.99 during the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 for which she received either no paychecks or bad paychecks from the restaurant. The OLSE submitted a copy of a paycheck dated October 24, 2005 which Ms. Yu credibly testified she was unable to cash due to insufficient funds. (OLSE Exhibit 29-A) Ms. Yu further credibly testified that she received no other paychecks for work performed after September 1, 2005. The OLSE used timesheets kept by Ms. Yu, which she authenticated at hearing, to determine the number of hours worked and minimum wages owed to the claimant in the amount of \$5,489.99 for the period from September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work

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performed in the amount of \$10,270.19 (\$4,780.20 for the period 2/23/04 through 3/15/05 + \$5,489.99 for the period 9/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$10,270.19). Ms. Yu testified that she did not have enough money to pay for routine family needs after the restaurant stopped paying her.

76. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Yu in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Rui Hua Wu (Claimant #13)

Claimant Rui Hua Wu testified at the June 9, 2006 hearing that she worked at the 77. Golden Dragon Restaurant as a dim sum server from April 2005 through approximately January 15, 2006. She credibly testified that she worked 70 hours per pay period. Ms. Wu also credibly testified that she received two paychecks in August 2005 that bounced, and she received a third paycheck check in December 2005 that also bounced. Copies of the checks were submitted by the OLSE. (OLSE Exhibit 49) The claimant testified that the August 2005 checks were for work performed in July 2005, and the December check was for work performed during the second half of November 2005. Ms. Wu further credibly testified that the restaurant failed to pay her for the following pay periods: November 1, 2005 through November 15, 2005; December 1, 2005 through December 15, 2005; December 16, 2005 through December 31, 2005; and January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006. The OLSE calculates that, based on 70 hours of work per pay period, Ms. Wu earned gross wages in the amount of \$603.40 (70 hours X \$8.62/hr. = \$603.40). The department further calculates that since the employer issued 3 bad paychecks and failed to issue checks for 4 pay periods, the claimant is owed wages in the amount of \$4,223.80 (\$603.40 X 7 pay periods = \$4,223.80). It is noted that the OLSE failed to properly calculate the amount of wages for the period January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006, since the minimum wage in 2006 is \$8.82 per hour instead of \$8.62. The claimant may therefore be entitled to more wages than the amount sought by the OLSE. However, no determination is made herein concerning any pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

additional amounts that may be owed. The OLSE reserved the right to establish in the future that additional wages may be owed for work performed during this period.

78. Although the OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Wu in the amount of \$19,300.00 for the period July 1, 2005 through April 21, 2006, the maximum amount is actually \$14,750.00 (\$50.00 X 295 days for the period 7/1/05 through 4/21/06 = \$14,750.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Wo Han Huang (Claimant #14)

- The Golden Dragon Restaurant as a busboy from April 16, 2004 until January 8, 2006. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Huang for the period April 16, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 45-A) Based on employee timesheets, the OLSE determined that Mr. Huang was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$19,321.39 for the period April 16, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 45-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Huang was paid in the sum of \$12,709.50 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang unpaid wages in the amount of \$6,611.89 for work performed during the period April 16, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$19,321.39 owed \$12,709.50 paid = \$6,611.89).
- 80. In addition to calculating minimum wages owed for work performed for the period April 16, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang wages in the amount of \$4,879.91 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the pay periods October 1, 2005 through January 15, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that he was unable to cash either of the two checks he received after October 1, 2005, and he received no paychecks for 6 pay periods during which he worked.

 Copies of the bounced checks, dated October 10, 2005 and December 10, 2005, were admitted Pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 45-A) Using time records maintained by the claimant, the OLSE calculated that he worked 539 hours between October 1, 2005 and December 31, 2005 for which time he was not paid. The department further determined that he was not paid for 26.5 hours worked in January 2006. Based on those determinations, the OLSE found that the restaurant owes the claimant minimum wages of \$4,646.18 for work performed between October 1, 2005 and December 31, 2005 (539 hrs. X \$8.62 minimum wage = \$4,646.18), plus minimum wages in the amount of \$233.73 for work performed in January 2006 (26.5 hrs. X \$8.82 minimum wage = \$233.73). Accordingly, the combined amount found to be owing for the period in which bad paychecks and/or no checks issued is \$4,879.91 (\$4,646.18 + \$233.73 = \$4,879.91). In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$11,491.80 (\$6,611.89 for the period 4/16/04 through 3/15/05 + \$4,879.91 for the period 10/1/05 to 1/8/06 = \$11,491.80). Mr. Huang testified that his wife, Hua Yue Mai, also worked at the Golden Dragon, and it was stressful for the entire family when the restaurant stopped paying him.

81. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of \$36,800.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on April 16, 2004, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 736 days for the period 4/16/04 through 4/21/06 = \$36,800.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Yu Zhen Jiang (Claimant #15)

82. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, Yu Zhen Jiang testified that she worked full-time for Big Hong Ng as her personal housekeeper from December 2003 through January 8, 2006, and she also worked in the restaurant for a few hours each week on an as-needed basis. She credibly testified that she worked 6 days per week for approximately 12 hours per day, and she received gross wages through the restaurant's payroll in the amount of \$1,400.00 per month (\$700.00 gross per pay period). Ms. Jiang testified that she received only one paycheck after October 1, 2005, which she was unable to cash. A copy of the Golden Dragon payroll check was admitted $\frac{1}{32}$

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into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 30) The check is dated December 10, 2005 and is in the net amount of \$612.82.

- 83. The OLSE calculates that during the period October 1, 2005 through January 8, 2006 Ms. Jiang received either no paychecks or bad paychecks in the amount of \$4,700.00 (6 pay periods X \$700.00 for 10/1/05 to 12/31/05, plus \$400.00 for 1/1/06 to 1/8/06 = \$4,700.00). It is noted that, based on the claimant's credible testimony, she is entitled to more wages than the amount sought by the OLSE. However, no determination is made herein regarding additional wages to which the claimant may be entitled. The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed to the claimant for work performed during the relevant period.
- 84. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Jiang in the amount of \$10,150.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on October 1, 2005 and continuing until the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 203 days = \$10,150.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

 Jie Chang Xu (Claimant #16)
- 85. Claimant Jie Chang Xu testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that she worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant from March 2004 through January 17, 2006. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Xu for the period March 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 46-A) Based on timesheet records, the OLSE determined that Ms. Xu was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$10,516.84 for the period March 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 46-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Ms. Xu was paid in the sum of \$9,342.25 for work performed during the period March 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Xu unpaid wages in the amount of \$1,174.59 for work performed during the period March 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$10,516.84 owed \$9,342.25 paid = \$1,174.59).
 - 86. In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the

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period March 1, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Ms. Xu wages in the amount of \$5,019.35 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for work performed between July 15, 2005 and January 17, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that she was unable to cash 5 paychecks she received from the restaurant, and the OLSE submitted copies of the checks, which have the following payment dates: August 10, 2005 (for work performed during the period 7/15/05 - 7/31/05); September 22, 2005 (for work performed during the period 9/1/05 - 9/15/05); October 10, 2005 (for work performed 9/16/05 - 9/30/05); October 24, 2005 (for work performed 10/1/05 to 10/15/05); and December 10, 2005 (for work performed 11/15/05 to 11/30/05). (OLSE Exhibit 46-A) The net amount of the checks is \$2,027.40, which the OLSE calculated to equal unpaid gross wages in the amount of \$2,499.91. Ms. Xu further credibly testified that she received no paychecks for the following 4 pay periods, during which she worked 70 hours per period: October 16, 2005 through October 31, 2005; November 1, 2005 through November 15, 2005; December 16, 2005 through December 31, 2005; and January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006. The OLSE calculated that, at an hourly rate of \$8.62, she is owed gross wages in the amount of \$2,413.60 for the 4 missing paychecks. It is noted that the OLSE calculation does not account for the fact that the minimum wage was \$8.82 and not \$8.62 during the pay period January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006, and the claimant may therefore be entitled to additional wages for work performed during that pay period. In addition, the claimant credibly testified that she was not paid for 12 hours of work performed on January 16-17, 2006, for which the OLSE calculates she is owed additional gross wages of \$105.84 (12 hrs. X \$8.82 minimum wage = \$105.84). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates wages owed in the amount of \$5,019.35 for the period in which bad paychecks and/or no checks issued (\$2,499.91 bad paychecks + \$2,413.60 for 4 missing paychecks + \$105.84 for 1/16-17/06 = \$5,019.35). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period. In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$6,193.94 (\$1,174.59 for the period -34-

3/1/04 through 3/15/05 + \$5,019.35 for the period 7/15/05 to 1/17/06 = \$6,193.94).

87. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Xu in the amount of \$39,100.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on March 1, 2004, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 782 days for the period 3/1/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,100.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Dong Quan He (Claimant #17)

- the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a waiter from June 1999 until the restaurant closed on January 17, 2006. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. He for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 33) Mr. He's timesheets indicate that he did not work for the period February 21, 2005 through March 15, 2005. Based on the employee's timesheets the OLSE calculates that Mr. He was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$15,187.11 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 33; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibits B & C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. He was paid in the sum of \$12,805.39 for the period February 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. He unpaid minimum wages in the amount of \$2,381.72 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005 (\$15,187.11 owed \$12,805.39 paid = \$2,381.72).
- 89. In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the period February 23, 2004 through February 28, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Mr. He wages in the amount of \$4,639.56 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period October 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. The claimant credibly testified that he was able to cash only one of the three checks he received after October 1, 2005 and the other two checks bounced. Copies of the checks were admitted into evidence. (OLSE —35—

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Exhibit 33) He further testified that he received no other checks during after October 1, 2005 even though he continued to work each week. The OLSE calculates that the gross payment for each full pay period after October 1, 2005 would have been in the amount of \$758.56, and there were a total of 6 full pay periods for which the claimant was not paid, including the two pay periods for which he received bad paychecks. Thus, the OLSE calculates that the claimant is owed unpaid wages of \$4,551.36 (\$758.56 X 6 = \$4,551.36). However, the OLSE calculation does not account for the fact that the minimum wage was \$8.82 and not \$8.62 during the pay period January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006. It is therefore noted that the claimant may be entitled to additional wages for that pay period. In addition, the claimant worked January 16, 2006 and January 17, 2006 without compensation, which the OLSE calculated to be an additional sum owing in the amount of \$88.20 (5 hrs. per day X 2 days X \$8.82 minimum wage = \$88.20). Therefore, the OLSE calculates a sum owed in the amount of \$4,639.56 for the period October 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 (\$4,551.36 + \$88.20 = \$4,639.56). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued. The OLSE claims the restaurant owes the claimant a combined sum of \$7,021.28 (\$2,381.72 for the period 2/23/04 through 2/28/05 + \$4,639.56 for the period 10/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$7,021.28). Mr. He testified that it was difficult for him to pay rent during the last several months of his employment at Golden Dragon because he was not being paid.

The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. He in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Run Jin Liang (Claimant #18)

91. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, claimant Run Jin Liang testified that she worked as a salesperson at the Golden Dragon Restaurant until it closed on January 17, 2006. Ms. Liang testified that she generally worked 6 days per week. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Liang for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 28) Based on the restaurant's timesheets, the accuracy of which were verified by the claimant, the OLSE calculated that Ms. Liang was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$18,868.67 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6 & 28) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to payroll records, Ms. Liang was paid in the sum of \$15,722.20 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Liang unpaid wages in the amount of \$3,146.47 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$18,868.67 owed - \$15,722.20 paid = \$3,146.47).

- 92. Ms. Liang credibly testified that she received either bad paychecks or no checks for the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. She testified that she received only four paychecks instead of nine paychecks during that period, and the four paychecks bounced. Copies of the bounced paychecks were submitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 28) Based on Ms. Liang's time records, the OLSE calculated that her gross payment should have been in the amount of \$617.40 for each pay period from September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006, and that the restaurant therefore owes her wages in the amount of \$5,556.60 for work performed during that period (\$617.40 X 9 pay periods = \$5,556.60). The OLSE calculation failed to account for the fact that minimum wage increased from \$8.62 to \$8.82 effective January 1, 2006. However, the OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued. In sum, the OLSE seeks combined wages in the amount of \$8,703.07 on behalf of the claimant (\$3,146.47 for the period 2/23/04 to 3/15/05 + \$5,556.60 for the period 9/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$8,703.07). Ms. Liang testified that it was especially upsetting for her children during the period that she was not paid by the restaurant because she was barely able to provide them with basic necessities.
- 93. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Liang in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Ming Bang Feng (Claimant #19)

- the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a dishwasher and dim sum steamer for the period February 20, 2004 through January 17, 2006. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Feng for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 37-A) Based on the employee's timesheet records, the OLSE determined that Mr. Feng was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$18,593.81 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 37-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Feng was paid in the sum of \$15,244.39 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Feng unpaid wages in the amount of \$3,349.42 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$18,593.81 owed \$15,244.39 paid = \$3,349.42).
- 95. In addition to calculating the amount of unpaid wages for work performed for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Feng minimum wages in the amount of \$7,021.08 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that he was unable to cash any of the 4 paychecks he received after September 1, 2005, and he received no paychecks for 5 full pay periods plus his last two days of work. The OLSE submitted copies of the 4 paychecks that bounced. (OLSE Exhibit 37-A) Based on Mr. Feng's credible testimony, he worked 88 hours per pay period between September 1, 2005 and January 15, 2006 and he worked a total of 22 hours on January 16-17, 2006. The pay stub for the pay period July 16, 2005 to July 31, 2005 corroborates Mr.

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Feng's testimony and shows that he was paid for 88 hours at the rate of \$8.62, for gross earnings in the amount of \$758.56. (OLSE Exhibit 37-A) The OLSE calculated the wages owed to Mr. Feng for the period September 1, through January 15, 2006 by multiplying \$758.56 by 9 pay periods to arrive at the sum of \$6,827.04. It is noted that the OLSE calculation does not account for the fact that the minimum wage was \$8.82 and not \$8.62 during the pay period January 1, 2006 through January 15, 2006, and the claimant may therefore be entitled to additional wages for work performed during that pay period. The OLSE calculated that the restaurant owes the claimant wages of \$194.04 for 22 hours of work performed on January 16, 2006 and January 17, 2006 (22 hrs X \$8.82 = \$194.04). Accordingly, the department calculates that Mr. Feng is owed \$6,944.04 for unpaid wages for the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 (\$6,750.00 + \$194.04 = \$6,944.04). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period. In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$10,293.46 (\$3,349.42 for the period 2/23/04 through 3/15/05 + \$6,944.04 for the period 9/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$10,293.46). Mr. Feng testified that he had to borrow money from family members after the restaurant stopped paying him.

96. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Feng in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Su Chan Li (Claimant #20)

97. Claimant Su Chan Li testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that she worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a dishwasher beginning in 2000 until on or around December 3, 2005. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Li

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for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 42-A) Based on the employee's timesheet records, the OLSE determined that Ms. Li was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$11,130.76 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 42-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Ms. Li was paid in the sum of \$9,243.02 for that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Li unpaid wages in the amount of \$1,887.74 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$11,130.76 owed -\$9,243.02 paid = \$1,887.74).

In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the 98. period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Ms. Li gross wages in the amount of \$3,391.97 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period September 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that she was unable to cash the only two paychecks she received for work performed after September 1, 2005, and she received no paychecks for 4 full pay periods. The OLSE submitted copies of the 2 paychecks that bounced (combined gross earnings of \$1,180.94). (OLSE Exhibit 342-A) Based on time records maintained by the claimant, the OLSE calculated that, in addition to the gross amount of the bounced paychecks, the restaurant owes the claimant an additional gross amount of \$2,211.03 for 256.5 hours worked (256.5 hrs. X \$8.62/hr. = \$2,211.02). Accordingly, the department calculates that Ms. Li is owed \$3,391.97 for unpaid wages for the period September 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005 (\$1,180.94 bounced checks + \$2,211.03 missing paychecks = \$3,391.97). In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$5,279.71 (\$1,887.74 for the period 2/23/04 through 3/15/05 + \$3,391.97 for the period 9/1/05 to 11/30/05 = \$5,279.71).

The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Li in the amount of 99. \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation

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continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

100. Zhi Rong Huang testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that he worked as a kitchen helper at the Golden Dragon from August 2000 through October 3, 2005. Mr. Huang testified that he quit because was not getting paid. He further testified that he worked 6 days per week for an average of 10 hours per day. Mr. Huang credibly testified that he earned take-home pay in the amount of \$1,400.00 per pay period, and that he was paid with two separate paychecks. He received payroll checks for approximately \$1,125.00, which equaled his gross earnings of \$1,400.00 minus taxes. He also received a supplemental check for the amount of taxes that were deducted from his gross earnings, so that both checks added together were in the amount of

The OLSE submitted copies of 7 bad paychecks for Mr. Huang in the following 101. amounts: (1) payroll Check No. 46908 in the amount of \$1,123.88, dated December 20, 2004; (2) payroll Check No. 46942 in the amount of \$1,126.93, dated January 5, 2005; (3) non-payroll Check No. 1164 in the amount of \$273.07, dated January 7, 2005; (4) payroll Check No. 70 in the amount of \$1,128.72, dated 8/23/05; (5) payroll Check No. 92 in the amount of \$1,128.72, dated September 10, 2005; (6) payroll Check No. 113 in the amount of \$1,128.72, dated September 22, 2005; and (7) payroll Check No. 134 in the amount of \$1,128.72, dated October 10, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 38) Although the OLSE calculates gross wages owed in the amount of \$8,682.62 for bounced checks, the correct amount is \$8,673.07 based on the claimant's testimony and the documentary evidence (\$1,400.00 gross earnings X 6 payroll checks = \$8,400.00, plus the bounced supplemental check in the amount of \$273.07 = \$8,673.07). In addition to the 7 bounced checks that were submitted, the OLSE claims that Mr. Huang is owed an additional amount of \$272.00 for one missing supplemental check. However, the additional amount was added to the claim after the conclusion of the hearings and there was no testimony or other evidence offered in pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

support of the additional amount.

- The OLSE calculates penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of \$14,750.00, which is a penalty of \$50.00 per day for each day for the period July 1, 2005 though April 21, 2006. However, based on the calculation method used for each of the other claimant's (i.e. multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued including the first day the violation occurred), the penalty provision under Section 12R.7(b) of the MWO would be triggered no later than December 20, 2004, the date of the first bad paycheck. Beginning on December 20, 2004, the maximum penalties under the MWO would be in the sum of \$24,400.00 (\$50.00 X 488 days for the period 12/20/04 through 4/21/06 = \$24,400.00). As with the other claimants, the OLSE seeks the same amount of penalties on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b). Chik Ling Leung (Claimant #22)
- 103. At the April 26, 2006 hearing, claimant Chik Ling Leung testified that she worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant as a waitress for the period July 31, 2005 through January 17, 2006. Ms. Leung testified that she generally worked between 6 or 7 hours per shift on an average of 6 days per week.
- 104. The claimant credibly testified that she was unable to cash any of the 4 paychecks she received after September 1, 2005, and copies of the bounced paychecks were admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 39-A) Ms. Leung further credibly testified that she received no other paychecks after September 1, 2005. The OLSE calculated that Ms. Leung earned minimum wages in the sum of \$6,629.74 during the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006 for which she received either no paychecks or bad paychecks. To calculate the minimum wages owing, the OLSE first determined that the claimant worked an average of 39 hours per week during the relevant period (6.5 hrs/day X 6 days/wk = 39 hrs). Based on that weekly average, it was determined that Ms. Leung worked 676 hours during the period September 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, and she was therefore owed a minimum wage of \$5,827.12 for work performed during that period (676 hrs X \$8.62/hr minimum wage = \$5,827.12). It was further determined that she worked 91 hours during the period January 1, 2006 through January 17, 2006, and she was therefore owed minimum wages in the amount of \$802.62 for work performed

during that period (91 hrs X \$8.82/hr minimum wage = \$802.62). The combined minimum wages owed is therefore calculated to be in the sum of \$6,629.74 (\$5,827.12 for 9/1/05 to 12/21/05 + \$802.62 for 1/1/06 to 1/17/06 = \$6,629.74). Ms. Yu testified that she became depressed during her last few months of employment at the restaurant because she was not being compensated for her labor.

105. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Leung in the amount of \$11,650.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on September 1, 2005, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 233 days for the period 9/1/05 through 4/21/06 = \$11,650.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Bao Ling Chen (Claimant #23)

- 106. At the April 24, 2006 hearing, claimant Bao Ling Chen testified that he worked at the Golden Dragon Restaurant from March 2002 until the restaurant closed on January 17, 2006. Mr. Chen testified that he generally worked 6 days per week. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Chen for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 23-A) Based on the employee's timesheets, the OLSE determined that Mr. Chen was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$12,949.84 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 6 & 23-A) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Chen was paid in the sum of \$11,139.86 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). The OLSE therefore calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Chen unpaid minimum wages in the amount of \$1,809.98 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$12,949.84 owed \$11,139.86 paid = \$1,809.98).
- 107. In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Mr. Chen wages in the amount of \$3,594.54 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for PJK/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

work performed during the period September 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. The claimant credibly testified that the only 3 paychecks he received after September 1, 2005 bounced and he further testified that he received no other payment during that period. Copies of the bounced paychecks were admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 23-A) The claimant testified that he was on vacation the month of November 2005 and the first two weeks of December 2005. The OLSE calculated that the gross pay for each pay period during the bad paycheck/no check period was in the amount of \$599.09, and there were a total of 6 pay periods for which the claimant was not paid (\$599.09 X 6 = \$3,594.54). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued. In sum, the OLSE claims there are wages owing to Mr. Chen in the amount of \$5,404.52 (\$1,809.98 for the period 2/23/04 through 3/15/05 + \$3,594.54 for the period 9/1/05 to 1/16/06 = \$5,404.52). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period.

108. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Chen in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Kai Sam Chu (Claimant #24)

fry cook at the Golden Dragon from approximately December 1, 2005 through January 17, 2006. Mr. Chu credibly testified that for each 10-hour day he was paid a net sum of \$100.00. He further credibly testified that he was not paid for his last 14 days of work, beginning on January 1, 2006. The OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Chu gross wages in the amount of \$1,673.00, which is the estimated sum of gross earnings for 14 days based net earnings of \$100.00 per day.

110. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Chu in the amount of pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

\$5,550.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on January 1, 2006, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 111 days for the period 1/1/06 through 4/21/06 = \$5,550.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Han Ling Jiang (Claimant #25)

- working in the dim sum take-out department at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in February 1999, and he continued to work at the restaurant until he quit on December 15, 2005. Mr. Jiang credibly testified that he quit because the restaurant stopped paying him at the end of September 2005. Mr. Jiang testified that was unable to cash the paycheck which he received for the pay period from October 1, 2005 through October 15, 2005. The OLSE submitted the check stub for Golden Dragon Check No. 158, dated October 24, 2005, for pay period October 1, 2005 through October 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 26) The pay stub shows Mr. Jiang's gross earnings to be in the amount of \$1,133.53 and net earnings to be in the amount of \$953.57, which the claimant credibly testified was the amount of each of his bi-monthly paychecks. Claimant Jiang testified that after he was unable to cash the October 24, 2005 check, restaurant owner Big Hong Ng asked him to return it to her, and she promised to pay him cash instead. He further testified that he never received the promised cash payment after returning the check to the owner.
- The claimant testified that although he continued to work at the restaurant through December 15, 2005, the restaurant failed to pay him for any of the work he performed after September 2005. In addition to the October 24, 2005 check that he was unable to cash, the claimant testified that he received one additional bad paycheck on December 10, 2005, also in the amount of \$953.57, a copy of which was admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 26) Mr. Jiang quit 5 days after receiving the December 10, 2005 check.
- 113. The OLSE calculates that Mr. Jiang earned gross wages in the sum of \$5,667.65 during the period October 1, 2005 through December 15, 2005 for which he received either no paychecks or bad paychecks (5 pay periods X \$1,133.53 gross per pay period = \$5,667.65).

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(OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period. Mr. Jiang testified that it was stressful to not receive payment for his work because he did not have adequate resources for bare necessities such as food and rent.

- 114. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Jiang in the amount of \$10,150.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on October 1, 2005 and continuing until the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 203 days = \$10,150.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b). Hong Can Huang (Claimant #26)
- 115. Hong Can Huang testified at the April 24, 2006 hearing that he worked as a kitchen helper at the Golden Dragon from December 1999 until the restaurant closed for business on January 17, 2006. He further testified that he worked 6 days a week for an average of 10 hours per day. Mr. Huang credibly testified that he earned take-home pay in the amount of \$1,300.00 per pay period, and that he was paid with two separate paychecks. He received an average payroll check for slightly less than \$1,100.00, which equaled his gross earnings of \$1,300.00 minus taxes. He also received a second supplemental check for the amount of taxes deducted from his gross earnings, and both checks added together were in the amount of \$1,300.00.
- 116. The OLSE determined that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang wages in the amount of \$2,943.40 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period December 15, 2005 through January 17, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that the paycheck he received on January 6, 2006 for the pay period December 15, 2005 through December 31, 2005 bounced when he tried to cash it. However, he was able to cash the second check he received on or around the same day in the amount of \$216.40, which amount was to cover the tax withholdings from his earnings. A copy of check no. 247, dated January 6, 2006 and pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

payable to Huang in the amount of \$1,083.60 (for gross earnings of \$1,300.00) was admitted into evidence. (OLSE Exhibit 31) Mr. Huang testified that he did not receive any payment for work performed after December 31, 2005. The OLSE calculated gross pay owing to the claimant in the amount of \$2,943.40 for the period December 15, 2005 through January 17, 2006 (\$1,300.00 gross earnings for 12/15/05 to 12/31/05 + \$1,300.00 for 1/1/06 to 1/15/06 + \$217.00 for tax withholdings for the period 1/1/06 to 1/15/06 + \$126.40 for his final day of work = \$2,943.40). Mr. Huang testified that he has two children, and it was stressful during his last month of employment at the restaurant because he had to be extremely frugal to make ends meet.

117. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of \$6,400.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on December 15, 2005, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 128 days for the period 12/15/05 through 4/21/06 = \$6,400.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Ming Hen Wong (Claimant #27)

the Golden Dragon Restaurant until it closed on January 17, 2006. Based on Golden Dragon payroll records, the claimant worked at the restaurant when the MWO went into effect on February 23, 2004. The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Ms. Wong for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22, & 47-A) Based on the claimant's timesheets, the OLSE determined that Ms. Wong was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$15,292.90 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 47-A; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Ms. Wong was paid in the sum of \$13,295.31 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21).

Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Ms. Wong unpaid wages in the amount of \$1,997.59 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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2005 (\$15,292.90 owed - \$13,295.31 paid = \$1,997.59).

- In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the 119. period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Ms. Wong wages in the amount of \$6,488.82 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for work performed between July 16, 2005 and January 17, 2006. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that she was unable to cash 5 paychecks she received from the restaurant, and the OLSE submitted copies of the bad paychecks which, based on the corresponding pay stubs, amount to gross wages in the amount of \$3,034.24. (OLSE Exhibit 47-A) She further credibly testified that she received no paychecks for 323 hours worked between September 2005 and December 2005, and she received no paychecks for 76 hours of work performed between January 1, 2006 and January 17, 2006. The claimant verified the time records which the OLSE submitted on her behalf, and which corroborate her testimony. (OLSE Exhibit 47-A) Based on those records the OLSE calculates unpaid wages in the amount of \$2,784.26 for the period September 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 (323 hrs. X \$8.62/hr. minimum wage = \$2,784.26), and unpaid wages in the amount of \$670.32 for work performed from January 1, 2006 through January 17, 2006 (76 hrs. X \$8.82/hr. minimum wage = \$670.32). Accordingly, the combined amount for the period in which bad paychecks and/or no checks issued is \$6,488.82 (\$3,034.24 bad paychecks + \$2,784.26 for work performed from 9/1/05 through 12/31/05 + \$670.32 for work performed from 1/1/06 through 1/17/06). The OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period. In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$8,486.41 (\$1,997.59 for the period 3/1/04 through 3/15/05 + \$6,448.82 for the period 7/16/05 to 1/17/06 = \$8,486.41).
 - 120. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Ms. Wong in the amount of \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b). Zhi Bin Huang (Claimant #28)

- 121. Claimant Zhi Bin Huang did not appear at any of the hearings to testify. The OLSE provided a written description of the calculation of the claimant's unpaid wages. (OLSE Exhibit 50) The OLSE received comprehensive payroll documentation from Golden Dragon for Mr. Huang for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 21, 22) Based on timesheet records, the OLSE determined that Mr. Huang was owed minimum wages in the amount of \$17,804.80 for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. (OLSE Exhibits 6 & 50; OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit C) This amount was calculated by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. According to the restaurant's payroll records, Mr. Huang was paid in the sum of \$14,083.91 for work performed during that period. (OLSE Exhibit 21). Accordingly, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang unpaid minimum wages in the amount of \$3,720.89 for work performed during the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005 (\$17,804.80 owed \$14,083.91 paid = \$3,720.89).
- 122. In addition to calculating the minimum wages owed for work performed for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the OLSE also determined that the restaurant owes Mr. Huang wages in the amount of \$7,427.50 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for work performed between July 1, 2005 and December 7, 2005. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The OLSE submitted copies of 6 bad paychecks for the period July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 50) Based on the pay stubs for the bad paychecks, the total gross earnings for the period July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005 was \$4,353.10, and the average gross pay per pay period was in the amount of \$725.50. Based on documentation provided by the claimant, the OLSE also calculated that the claimant was owed wages for 4 pay periods from October 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005, and he was also owed wages for 20 hours worked during the first week of December 2005. For the period October 1, 2005 through Pik/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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December 7, 2005, the OLSE calculated unpaid wages in the amount of \$2,902.00 (\$725.50 average gross earnings X 4 pay periods = \$2,902.00). For the period December 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005, the OLSE calculated earnings of \$172.40 (20 hrs. X \$8.62 minimum wage = \$172.40). Accordingly, the combined amount for the period in which bad paychecks and/or no checks issued is \$7,427.50 (\$4,353.10 bad paychecks + \$2,902.00 for work performed from 10/1/05 through 11/30/05 + \$172.40 for work performed from 12/1/05 through 12/7/05). In sum, the OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes the claimant unpaid wages for work performed in the amount of \$11,148.39 (\$3,720.89 for the period 3/1/04 through 3/15/05 + \$7,427.50 for the period 7/1/05 to 1/17/06 = \$11,148.39).

The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of 123. \$39,450.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 23, 2004 when the MWO went into effect, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 789 days for the period 2/23/04 through 4/21/06 = \$39,450.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Lai Chun Lian (Claimant #29)

- Lai Chun Lian testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that he worked as a janitor at 124. the Golden Dragon Restaurant from September 2000 through November 2005, and that he quit because he was not being paid. Mr. Lian credibly testified that he received no wages for work performed after January 31, 2005, even though he and his wife each worked 7 days per week from 11:00 PM to 3:00 AM cleaning the restaurant. He further credibly testified that before the restaurant stopped paying him, he received a single paycheck each pay period that was in his name only for the amount of \$1,250.00 for the cleaning services that he and his wife performed. His total monthly earnings were in the amount of \$2,500.00.
- The OLSE calculates that Golden Dragon owes the claimant \$25,000.00 for work 125. performed for the period February 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005 (\$2,500.00 per month X 10 months = \$25,000.00). Mr. Lian testified that he suffered tremendous stress as a result of not being paid for his work. -50-

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126. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Lian in the amount of \$22,250.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on February 1, 2005, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 X 445 days for the period 2/1/05 through 4/21/06 = \$22,250.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

Xin Sheng Kuang (Claimant #30)

- Claimant Xin Sheng Kuang testified at the April 26, 2006 hearing that he worked 127. at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in the dim sum department from June 11, 2005 through December 18, 2005, at which time he quit because he was not being paid. Mr. Kuang testified that he worked 6 days per week from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The OLSE calculates that the restaurant owes Mr. Kuang wages in the amount of \$6,361.56 for bad paychecks and missing paychecks for the period September 16, 2005 through December 18, 2005. (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit B) The claimant credibly testified that he was unable to cash any of the 3 paychecks he received after September 15, 2005, and he received no paychecks for 3 full pay periods plus his last 3 days of work. The OLSE submitted copies of 2 of the paychecks that bounced, dated October 24, 2005 and December 10, 2005. (OLSE Exhibit 41) Mr. Kuang credibly testified that he returned the paycheck dated October 10, 2005 to Big Hong Ng in exchange for promised cash, which he never received. The OLSE submitted a copy of the check stub for the October 10, 2005 paycheck. (OLSE Exhibit 41) The check stub states that the check was for a gross amount of \$1,070.41 for the pay period September 16, 2005 through September 30, 2005. Mr. Kuang credibly testified that his gross earnings were the same amount each pay period. The OLSE calculated the wages owed for the period September 16, 2005 through December 18, 2005 by multiplying the gross amount of \$1,017.16 by 6 pay periods and adding to that amount \$258.60 for work performed on December 16-18, 2005 (\$1,017.16 X 6 pay periods = \$6,102.96 + \$258.60 = \$6,361.56). Mr. Leung testified that his wife had to find employment after the restaurant stopped paying him.
- 128. The OLSE calculates maximum penalties owing to Mr. Huang in the amount of pjk/MWO-C-036/Statement of Findings/10/06

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\$10,900.00, which is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day that the violation continued, beginning on September 16, 2005, and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006 (\$50.00 x 218 days for the period 9/16/05 through 4/21/06 = \$10,900.00). (OLSE Post-Hearing Brief, Exhibit D) The OLSE also seeks payment in the same amount on behalf of the City pursuant to Section 12R.7(b).

OLSE's Calculation Of Wages And Penalties Owed To Non-Claimant Employees

Robin Ho of the OLSE testified that in the process of auditing Golden Dragon 129. payroll records for the period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the department identified a number of non-claimant employees who had not been paid the required minimum wage for work performed during the audit period. None of the non-claimants testified at any of the hearings. The OLSE submitted timesheets and payroll records for each of the non-claimant employees, as well as calculation summary sheets. (OLSE Exhibits 20 & 21, OLSE Proposed Findings of Fact, Exhibit B) The amount of wages earned by each employee was calculated using employee timesheets and by taking into account the number of hours worked per pay period, including all overtime and double time hours. Restaurant payroll records were used to calculate the wages actually paid. The table below sets forth the following: (1) the name of each nonclaimant employee, (2) the period each employee worked within the audit period of February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, (3) the sum of minimum wages owed to each employee during the audit period based on timesheet records, (4) the sum of wages actually paid during the audit period based on OLSE's audit of restaurant payroll records, (5) the sum of underpayments as calculated by the OLSE, and (6) the OLSE's calculation of the maximum allowable penalties (the OLSE calculated the penalties by multiplying \$50.00 per day for each day the violation continued through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006):

Name of Employee	Period Worked During Audit Period	Wages Earned		Wages Paid	To Arthur States	Amount Owing	Maximum Penalties Sought by OLSE
Bi Wen Huang	2/23/04 to 7/31/04	\$1,389.75	-	\$1,340.00	=	\$49.75	\$39,450.00 (\$50.00 x 789 days)

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3	Yong Yu Lei	3/1/04 to	\$1,857.25	- '	\$1,708.50	=	\$148.75	\$39,100.00
4		5/15/04						(\$50.00 x 782 days)
*	Yan Qiong Li	2/23/04 to	\$17,662.04	-	\$14,806.40	=	\$2,855.64	\$39,450.00
5		3/15/05						(\$50.00 x 789 days)
0	Yi Yin Lin	10/16/04 to	\$51.00		\$0.00	=	\$51.00	\$27,650.00
6		10/31/04						(\$50.00 x 553 days)
	Chun Hua Lin	4/16/04 to	\$4,016.25	, -	\$3,740.00	=	\$276.25	\$36,800.00
7		10/15/04						(\$50.00 x 736 days)
	Xiao Ling Liao	4/16/04 to	\$1,292.00	-	\$1,207.00	=	\$85.00	\$36,800.00
8		6/30/04			*-			(\$50.00 x 736 days)
	Jia Long Liu	7/16/04 to	\$7,344.38	-	\$6,200.75	=	\$1,143.63	\$32,250.00
9		1/15/05						(\$50.00 x 645 days)
	Yu Lin Ma	2/23/04 to	\$5,612.13	-	\$4,772.75	· ===	\$839.38	\$39,450.00
10		6/15/04						(\$50.00 x 789 days)
44	Zhi Zhen Pan	3/1/04 to	\$17,356.28	-	\$14,638.77	=	\$2,717.51	\$39,100.00
11		3/15/05						(\$50.00 x 782 days)
12	Thu Anh Phan	6/26/04 to	\$541.88	-	\$514.25	=	\$27.63	\$33,250.00
14		7/15/04					· ·	(\$50.00 x 665 days)
13	Zhen Peng Wu	2/23/04 to	\$7,208.00	-	\$6,281.50	=	\$926.50	\$39,450.00
10		9/15/04						(\$50.00 x 789 days)
14	Shu Yu Wu	10/16/04 to	\$845.75	-	\$0.00	=	\$845.75	\$27,650.00
•		1/15/05		ļ .				(\$50.00 x 789 days)
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	Zhan Hong	2/23/04 to	\$10,255.25	-	\$8,308.75	=	\$1,946.50	\$39,450.00
16	Song	10/31/04						(\$50.00 x 789 days)
1	Lian Cui Guan	3/1/04 to	\$13,079.86	-	\$11,269.43	-	\$1,810.43	\$39,100.00
17		3/15/05		<u> </u>		ļ		(\$50.00 x.782 days)
	Chun Yan	6/1/04 to	\$9,399.45	-	\$8,116.96	=	\$1,282.49	\$34,500.00
18	Zhao	3/15/05						(\$50.00 x 690 days)
40	Fang Yan Lu	2/23/04 to	\$3,471.83	-	\$2,958.00	=	\$513.83	\$39,450.00
19		5/31/04		<u> </u>	<u> </u>			(\$50,00 x 789 days)
20				TC	TAL AMOUN	T →	\$15,520.04	\$582,900.00*
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* The OLSE seeks combined penalties in this total amount on behalf of the non-claimant employees, and it seeks an assessment of penalties in the same amount on behalf of the City.

The OLSE Presented Its Case Without Opposition

130. The OLSE presented its case without opposition from the Golden Dragon Restaurant. The restaurant did not introduce any exhibits, call any witnesses, or submit any oral or written opposition to the OLSE's case.

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HEARING OFFICER'S FINDINGS

- The OLSE's request to expand the scope of findings beyond those enumerated in 1. the December 12, 2005 letter from OLSE Manager Donna Levitt to the San Francisco Controller's Office requesting the appointment of an impartial hearing officer is granted. Although the December 12, 2005 letter does not reference the claims pertaining to the issuance of bad paychecks and no paychecks in 2005 and 2006, the Golden Dragon Restaurant received notice of the OLSE's intent to present evidence on those claims in advance of the hearings, and the restaurant was afforded full opportunity to respond to the claims. The hearing officer's determination regarding the scope of findings is supported by the following: (1) the OLSE specifically requested findings on the claims pertaining to the issuance of bad paychecks/no paychecks in 2005 and 2006 in its March 5, 2006 Pre-Hearing Statement which was filed in response to the undersigned hearing officer's request for a "detailed statement of issues presented to the Hearing Officer for Findings;" (2) Golden Dragon was served with OLSE's March 5, 2006 Pre-Hearing Statement, and it had notice of the potential scope of issues to be determined; (3) the undersigned hearing officer twice requested Golden Dragon to respond to OLSE's Pre-Hearing Statement and the issues presented to the hearing officer for decision, and the restaurant failed to do so; (4) Golden Dragon failed to establish any prejudice or due process violation regarding the OLSE's proposed scope of the issues; and (5) each of the claims was fully addressed at the hearings, during which time the restaurant had full opportunity to respond.
- 2. At the time of the hearings, the OLSE had not conducted an audit of the restaurant's payment practices for the period March 16, 2005 though January 17, 2006. The undersigned hearing officer finds that the OLSE has reserved the right to request further hearings regarding possible violations of the MWO during that period. If the OLSE is unable to conduct a full audit for the period March 16, 2005 through January 17, 2006 due to the restaurant's failure to produce requested documents, it shall be presumed under Administrative Code Section 12.R.5(c) that the employer paid no more than the applicable federal or state minimum wage, absent clear and convincing evidence otherwise. It is therefore not necessary to make any determination herein as to whether the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to give the OLSE reasonable access to

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its payroll records for the period March 16, 2005 through January 17, 2006.

- 3. The undersigned hearing officer shall make written findings on the following issues:
 - (1) Did the OLSE establish that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay the minimum wage under the MWO to any of its employees during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, and if so, what are the names of the employees and how much is owed to them?
 - (2) Did the OLSE establish that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay wages to any of the 21 claimants who filed claims on February 22, 2006 alleging receipt of bad paychecks and/or no paychecks from the restaurant in 2005 and 2006, and if so, what are the names of the employees and how much is owed to them?
 - (3) Are administrative penalties and/or payments to the City appropriate under the facts of this case, and if so, what is the appropriate amount of administrative penalties that should be paid to the employees and/or what is the appropriate amount of payments to be made to the City?

Issue #1: Did the OLSE establish that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay the minimum wage under the MWO to any of its employees during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, and if so, what are the names of the underpaid employees and how much is owed to them?

4. Golden Dragon Restaurant was covered by the San Francisco Minimum Wage Ordinance, which since its effective date of February 23, 2004, has required employers in San Francisco to pay the local minimum wage. [Administrative Code Section 12R.4] Based on the evidence and pursuant to the MWO, the undersigned hearing officer finds that the OLSE established that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay combined minimum wages of at least \$64,645.12 to 35 employees who worked at the restaurant during the audit period of February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. The 35 employees include 19 of the claimants who sought assistance from the OLSE, and 16 non-claimant employees who were identified by the OLSE during the audit process. No determination is made regarding the claim of Yu Mei Hou (Claimant #9) because she requested to withdraw her claim from the OLSE.

5. Table 2 ("Wages Owed for Work Performed During Audit Period 2/23/04 to 3/15/05"), attached and incorporated, sets forth the name of each employee who was paid less than minimum wage during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005, the period of time at issue during the audit period, the minimum wages earned during the period at issue by each employee, the amount of wages paid to each employee during the period at issue, and the amount of unpaid wages owed to each affected employee. The findings in Table 2 are supported by: (1) the timesheets and payroll records which the OLSE obtained from the restaurant, and which were admitted into evidence; (2) records of time worked during the audit period which some of the claimants maintained, and which were admitted into evidence; (3) the testimony of the claimant-employees who appeared as witnesses; and (4) the testimony of OLSE staff.

Issue #2: Did the OLSE establish that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay wages to any of the 21 claimants who filed claims on February 22, 2006 alleging receipt of bad paychecks or no paychecks from the restaurant in 2005 and 2006, and if so, what are the names of the employees, and how much is owed to them?

established that the Golden Dragon Restaurant failed to pay combined wages of at least \$129,030.28 to the 21 claimants who alleged receipt of bad paychecks and/or no paychecks in 2005 and 2006. For each claimant, the OLSE established that the restaurant did not pay any wages during various pay periods in 2005 and 2006, and the failure to pay any wages for work performed is a clear violation of the Minimum Wage Ordinance. As noted in the Summary of Evidence, there are various claimants for whom the OLSE miscalculated the amount of wages owed for the issuance of bad paychecks and no paychecks based on the department's failure to account for the fact that the minimum wage increased from \$6.62 to \$6.82 effective January 1, 2006. However, for each of the claimants, the OLSE reserved the right to establish that additional wages may be owed during the period which bad paychecks or no paychecks issued, if payroll records show that the claimant was not paid minimum wage during the period or if records show that the claimant worked overtime during the period. Based on the evidence, the undersigned hearing officer adopts the OLSE's final uncontested calculations of wages owed for the issuance

of bad paychecks and no paychecks in 2005 and 2006, with the exception of the calculations pertaining to claimant Zhi Rong Huang (Claimant #21). The amount of wages owed to claimant Huang is determined to be in the amount of \$8,673.07, instead of the claimed amount of \$8,954.79. The amount of \$8,673.07 is the gross amount of the 7 bad paychecks admitted into evidence and does not include the claimed missing paycheck in the amount of \$272.00, which amount is not supported by the evidence as discussed in Summary of Evidence, Paragraph No. 101.

- 7. Table 3 ("Wages Owed for Receipt of Bad Paychecks and/or No Paychecks in 2005-2006"), attached and incorporated, sets forth the name of each employee who received bad paychecks and/or no paychecks in 2005-2006; the dates of pay periods at issue beginning with the first day that payment was not received and ending with the last day for which payment was not received; and the amount of wages that the Golden Dragon owes to the employee for those pay periods. The findings in Table 3 are supported by: (1) the copies of bad paychecks that were admitted into the evidence; (2) timesheets and payroll records which the OLSE obtained from the restaurant, and which were admitted into evidence; (3) time records maintained by some of the employees which were admitted into evidence; and (4) the credible testimony of the claimants.
- Issue #3: Are administrative penalties and/or payments to the City appropriate under the facts of this case, and if so, what is the appropriate amount of administrative penalties that should be paid to the employees and/or what is the appropriate amount of payments to be made to the City?
- 8. After a hearing that affords a suspected violator of the MWO due process, and upon determination that a violation has occurred, the OLSE may order an administrative penalty in the amount of \$50.00 to each employee whose rights were violated for each day or portion thereof that the violation occurred or continued. [Administrative Code Section 12R.7(b)] Prior to the hearings in this case, the OLSE repeatedly informed Golden Dragon that it could face substantial penalties if the case went to hearing, and the department made repeated efforts to resolve the claims. Based on the facts of this case, the undersigned hearing officer finds that it is appropriate for the OLSE to order the restaurant to pay the maximum amount of penalties permitted under the MWO to each of the 29 claimant-employees whose claims and subsequent

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involvement in the case prompted and advanced the OLSE's investigation (Claimant #9 withdrew her claim, leaving 29 of 30 claimants). This determination is supported by the following factors:

(1) the broad magnitude of the violations in terms of the number of workers impacted; (2) the ongoing nature of the violations; and (3) the hardship experienced by the claimants resulting from the violations. The hearing officer finds that an assessment of administrative penalties is not appropriate on behalf of the 16 non-claimant employees who the OLSE identified during the audit period February 23, 2004 through March 15, 2005. None of the non-claimant employees sought assistance from the department, none of them participated in the investigation, and none of them testified at the hearings.

The OLSE interprets a violation of the MWO to occur on each day that an 9. employer pays any employee less than the local minimum wage. The OLSE interprets a violation of the MWO to continue on each day an employer fails to pay any employee the minimum wages that are owing. This interpretation is consistent with the language of the MWO, and the undersigned hearing officer finds that the OLSE used the proper method of calculating the maximum amount of penalties for each claimant by summing the number of days the violation continued, beginning with the initial day that an employee was underpaid and continuing through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006. No determination is made herein regarding the accrual of penalties after the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006. The undersigned hearing officer further finds that, with the exception of claimants Rui Hua Wu (Claimant #13) and Zhi Rong Huang (Claimant #21), the OLSE properly calculated the amount of maximum penalties owing to each claimant through April 21, 2006. For claimant Wu, the hearing officer finds the maximum penalties to be in the amount of \$14,750.00, instead of in the claimed amount of \$19,300.00. As discussed in Summary of Evidence, Paragraph 78, the maximum penalty in the amount of \$14,750.00 is calculated by multiplying \$50.00 per day by 295 days for the period July 1, 2005, when the violation first occurred, through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006. For claimant Huang, the hearing officer finds the maximum penalties to be in the amount of \$24,400.00, instead of in the claimed amount of \$14,750.00. As discussed in Summary of Evidence, Paragraph 102, the maximum penalty in the amount of \$24,400.00 is calculated by multiplying -58-

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\$50.00 per day by 488 days for the period December 20, 2004, when the violation first occurred, through the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006.

- 10. The combined sum of maximum penalties that may be assessed against the restaurant for payment to the claimants is in the sum of \$871,300.00. Table 4 ("Maximum Penalties Through April 21, 2006"), attached and incorporated, sets forth the name of each claimant-employee, and for each claimant the table includes: the date that the violation first occurred, the number of days the violation continued up to and including the first day of hearing on April 21, 2006, and the maximum amount of penalties that may be assessed.
- 11. Table 5 ("Summary of Unpaid Wages and Maximum Penalties"), attached and incorporated, sets forth the total amount of wages owed to each claimant and non-claimant employee, and the maximum penalties for each claimant through April 21, 2006.
- 12. Under the MWO, the OLSE may order a violating employer or person to pay to the City a sum of not more than \$50.00 for each day or portion thereof and for each employee or person as to whom the violation occurred or continued. [Administrative Code Section 12R.7(b)] In accordance with Section 12R.7(b), the hearing officer finds that an additional sum should be paid to the City in the amount equal to the OLSE's costs of investigating and remedying the violations at issue, and not to exceed the amount of \$871,300.00. Although the OLSE contends that the amount to be paid to the City does not need to be tied to the cost of investigating and remedying the violation at issue, Section 12R.7(b) of the MWO specifically states that the OLSE may order payment on behalf of the City "to compensate the City for the costs of investigating and remedying the violation." Although the Section further states that the payment to the City "shall be allocated to the Agency [OLSE] and shall be used to offset the costs of implementing and enforcing this Chapter," the two provisions are consistent with one another only if the amount of payment to the City is allocated to the OLSE to cover the cost of enforcing the MWO with regard to the violation at issue (i.e. investigating and remedying the violation). Accordingly, the payment

which the OLSE orders on behalf of the City must be commensurate with the costs incurred in the case. Because no evidence was submitted regarding the actual costs incurred to investigate and remedy the violations at issue, no determination is made herein regarding the actual costs incurred.

Dated: October 2, 2006

Peter Kearns Hearing Officer

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TABLE 1
WITNESS LIST – OLSE and GOLDEN DRAGON RESTAURANT

HEARING DATE	NAME OF L.	IDENTITY OF WITNESS
April 24, 2006	Donna Levitt	OLSE Manager
April 24, 2006	Richard Waller	OLSE Supervising Compliance Officer
April 24, 2006	Josh Pastreich	OLSE Compliance Officer
April 24, 2006; April 26, 2006; and June 9, 2006	Robin Ho	OLSE Compliance Officer
April 24, 2006	Yi Chao Zhao	Claimant #11 (Dishwasher)
April 24, 2006	Han Ling Jiang	Claimant #25 (Take-out Dim Sum)
April 24, 2006	Bi E. Xie	Claimant #4 (Dim Sum Server)
April 24, 2006	Run Jin Liang	Claimant #18 (Salesperson)
April 24, 2006	Helen Yu	Claimant #12 (Food Server)
April 24, 2006	Yu Zhen Jiang	Claimant #15 (Personal housekeeper for Big Hong Ng – paid through Golden Dragon payroll, she also worked at the restaurant on an asneeded basis)
April 24, 2006	Bao Ling Chen	Claimant #23
April 24, 2006	Hong Can Huang	Claimant #26 (Kitchen Helper)
April 26, 2006	Raymond Yuen	Claimant #3 (Food Server)
April 26, 2006	Dong Quan He	Claimant #17 (Food Server)
April 26, 2006	Zhuo Hui Huang	Claimant #10 (Food Server)
April 26, 2006	Cong Hua Huang	Claimant #2 (Bus Person)

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TABLE 1 (CONTINUED) WITNESS LIST – OLSE and GOLDEN DRAGON RESTAURANT

HEARING DATE	NAME OF WITNESS	IDENTITY OF WITNESS
April 26, 2006	Ming Bang Feng	Claimant #19 (Dim Sum Steamer & Dishwasher)
April 26, 2006	Zhi Rong Huang	Claimant #21 (Kitchen Helper)
April 26, 2006	Chik Ling Leung	Claimant #22 (Waitress)
April 26, 2006	Lai Chun Lian	Claimant #29 (Janitor)
April 26, 2006	Xin Sheng Kuang	Claimant #30 (Dim Sum Helper)
April 26, 2006	Su Chan Li	Claimant #20 (Dishwasher)
April 26, 2006	Kai Sam Chu	Claimant #24 (Cook)
April 26, 2006	Min Shan Liu	Claimant #1 (Dim Sum Seller, Bus Person, Hostess, Flyer Distributor)
April 26, 2006	Wo Han Huang	Claimant #14 (Bus Person)
April 26, 2006	Jie Chang Xu	Claimant #16
April 26, 2006	Ming Hen Wong	Claimant #27
April 26, 2006	Yat Yau Lam	Claimant #8
June 9, 2006	Rui Hua Wu	Claimant #13 (Dim Sum Sales)

TABLE 2 WAGES OWED FOR WORK PERFORMED DURING AUDIT PERIOD 2/23/04 TO 3/15/05

6	Name of .	. Period At	Wages		Wages		Amount
7	Employee	Issue	Earned		Paid	4 - 1.	Owing
8	Min Shan Liu (Claimant #1)	9/1/04 – 1/16/05	\$2,107.47	-	\$1,623.75	*****	\$483.72
9	Cong Hua Huang (Claimant #2)	9/16/04 – 3/15/05	\$2,376.20	-	\$2,073.80		\$302.40
10	Raymond Yuen (Claimant #3)	2/23/04 — 3/15/05	\$13,810.10	-	\$11,729.88		\$2,080.22
11	Bie E. Xie (Claimant #4)	2/23/04 – 2/28/05	\$20,164.68	-	\$15,987.03	=	\$4,177.65
12	Li Chan Huang (Claimant #5)	2/23/04 - 3/15/05	\$8,875.33	-	\$8,704.44	==	\$170.89
13	Yue Hua Mai (Claimant #6)	2/23/04 – 3/15/05	\$8,026.16	-	\$7,920.94		\$105.22
14	Xiao Min Chen (Claimant #7)	10/1/04 – 3/15/05	\$3,187.62	**	\$2,017.89	=	\$1,169.73
15	Yat Yau Lam (Claimant #8)	2/23/04 – 3/15/05	\$11,735.46	-	\$10,411.16	=	\$1,324.30
16	Zhuo Hui Huang	2/23/04 -	\$16,413.62	-	\$13,524.15	=	\$2,889.47
	Yi Chao Zhao	2/23/04	\$24,296.92	-	\$18,735.93	=	\$5,560.99
1	∥ Helen Yu	2/23/04	\$23,183.37	-	\$18,403.17	=	\$4,780.20
	Wo Han Huang	4/16/04 -	\$19,321.39	-	\$12,709.50	=	\$6,611.89
	Jie Chang Xu	3/1/04 -	\$10,516.84	-	\$9,342.25	=	\$1,174.59
22	Dong Quan He	2/23/04 -	\$15,187.11		\$12,805.39	=	\$2,381.72
23	Run Jin Liang	2/23/04	\$18,868.67	-	\$15,722.20	=	\$3,146.47
24	Ming Bang Feng	2/23/04 — 3/15/05	\$18,593.81	-	\$15,244.39	=	\$3,349.42
2 5	Su Chan Li	2/23/04 – 3/15/05	\$11,130.76	-	\$9,243.02	=	\$1,887.74
26	Bao Ling Chen	2/23/04 – 3/15/05	\$12,949.84	-	\$11,139.86	=	\$1,809.98
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	(Claimant #11) Helen Yu (Claimant #12) Wo Han Huang (Claimant #14) Jie Chang Xu (Claimant #16) Dong Quan He (Claimant #17) Run Jin Liang (Claimant #18) Ming Bang Feng (Claimant #19) Su Chan Li (Claimant #20)	3/15/05 2/23/04 3/15/05 4/16/04 1/31/06 3/1/04 3/15/05 2/23/04 2/28/05 2/23/04 3/15/05 2/23/04 3/15/05 2/23/04 3/15/05 2/23/04 3/15/05 2/23/04 3/15/05	\$23,183.37 \$19,321.39 \$10,516.84 \$15,187.11 \$18,868.67 \$18,593.81 \$11,130.76		\$18,403.17 \$12,709.50 \$9,342.25 \$12,805.39 \$15,722.20 \$15,244.39 \$9,243.02		\$4,780 \$6,617 \$1,174 \$2,38 \$3,140 \$3,349 \$1,88

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WAGES OWED FOR WORK PERFORMED DURING AUDIT PERIOD 2/23/04 TO 3/15/05

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TABLE 3 WAGES OWED FOR RECEIPT OF BAD PAYCHECKS AND/OR NO PAYCHECKS IN 2005-2006

Employee Name	Time Period at Issue	:Wages Owed
Zhuo Hui Huang (Claimant #10)	10/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$4,263.86
Yi Chao Zhao (Claimant #11)	9/1/05 - 1/17/06	\$5,501.92
Helen Yu (Claimant #12)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$5,489.99
Rui Hua Wu (Claimant #13)	7/1/05 – 1/15/06	\$4,223.80
Wo Han Huang (Claimant #14)	10/1/05 – 1/8/06	\$4,879.91
Yu Zhen Jiang (Claimant #15)	10/1/05 – 1/8/06	\$4,700.00
Jie Chang Xu (Claimant #16)	7/15/05 – 1/17/06	\$5,019.35
Dong Quan He (Claimant #17)	10/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$4,639.56
Run Jin Liang (Claimant #18)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$5,556.60
Ming Bang Feng (Claimant #19)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$6,944.04
Su Chan Li (Claimant #20)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$3,391.97
Zhi Rong Huang (Claimant #21)	8/1/05 — 10/03/05	\$8,673.07
Chik Ling Leung (Claimant #22)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$6,629.74
Bao Ling Chen (Claimant #23)	9/1/05 – 1/17/06	\$3,594.54
Chu Kai Sam (Claimant #24)	1/1/06 – 1/17/06	\$1,673.00
Han Ling Jiang (Claimant #25)	10/1/05 - 12/15/05	\$5,667.65
Hong Can Huang (Claimant #26)	12/15/05 — 1/17/06	\$2,943.40
Ming Hen Wong (Claimant #27)	7/16/05 – 1/17/06	\$6,448.82
Zhi Bin Huang (Claimant #28)	12/20/04 – 12/7/06	\$7,427.50

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TABLE 3 (CONTINUED) WAGES OWED FOR RECEIPT OF BAD PAYCHECKS AND/OR NO PAYCHECKS IN 2005-2006

Employee Name	Time Period at Issue	. Wages Owed -
Lai Chun Lian (Claimant #29)	2/1/05 – 11/30/05	\$25,000.00
Xin Sheng Kuang (Claimant #30)	9/16/05 – 12/18/05	\$6,361.56
	AGES OWED FOR BAD HECKS/NO CHECKS →	\$129,030.28

TABLE 4 **MAXIMUM PENALTIES THROUGH APRIL 21, 2006**

3	Name of	First	Number of Days of		Amount of Penalty Per		Total
4	Employee	Occurrence	Violation		Day		No Penalty
5	Min Shan Liu (Claimant #1)	9/1/04	598	Х	\$50.00	=	\$29,900.00
6	Cong Hua Huang (Claimant #2)	9/16/04	583	X	\$50.00	=	\$29,150.00
7	Raymond Yuen (Claimant #3)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
8	Bie E. Xie (Claimant #4)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
9	Li Chan Huang (Claimant #5)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
10	Hua Yue Mai (Claimant #6)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
11 12	Xiao Min Chen (Claimant #7)	10/1/04	568	X	\$50.00	=	\$28,400.00
13	Yat Yau Lam (Claimant #8)	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
14	Zhuo Hui Huang (Claimant #10)	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
15	Yi Chao Zhao (Claimant #11)	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
16	Helen Yu (Claimant #12)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
17	Rui Hua Wu (Claimant #13)	7/1/05	295	Х	\$50.00	=	\$14,750.00
. 18	11	4/16/04	736	X	\$50.00	=	\$36,800.00
19		10/1/05	203	X	\$50.00	=	\$10,150.00
20		3/1/04	782	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,100.00
21	Dong Quan He (Claimant #17)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
22	Run Jin Liang	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
2 3	Ming Bang Feng	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
24	Su Chan Li	2/23/04	789	X	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
25 26	Zhi Rong Huang	12/20/04	488	Х	\$50.00	=	\$24,400.00

TABLE 4 (CONTINUED) MAXIMUM PENALTIES THROUGH APRIL 21, 2006

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.4	Name of	First	Number of "-Days of :		Amount of Penalty Pera		A Company
5	Employee -	Occurrence	 Violation 		👢 Day 🙀	¥	*Total Penalty
6	Chik Ling Leung (Claimant #22)	9/1/05	233	Χ	\$50.00	=	\$11,650.00
7	Bao Ling Chen (Claimant #23)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
8	Kai Sam Chu (Claimant #24)	1/1/06	111	Х	\$50.00	=	\$5,550.00
9	Han Ling Jiang (Claimant #25)	10/1/05	203	Х	\$50.00	=	\$10,150.00
10	Hong Can Huang (Claimant #26)	12/15/05	128	Х	\$50.00		\$6,400.00
11 12	Ming Hen Wong (Claimant #27)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
13	Zhi Bin Huang (Claimant #28)	2/23/04	789	Х	\$50.00	=	\$39,450.00
14	Lai Chun Lian (Claimant #29)	2/1/05	445	X	\$50.00	=	\$22,250.00
15	Xin Sheng Kuang (Claimant #30)	9/16/05	218	Х	\$50.00	=	\$10,900.00
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TABLE 5 SUMMARY OF UNPAID WAGES AND MAXIMUM PENALTIES

9	CONTRACTOR OF THE SECOND	Wages Owed	Wages Owed:	****	***
		for Audit	for 05-06 Bad		
4	Name of	Period 2/28/04	paychecks/No	Maximum	Mark Control
5	Employee*	to 3/15/05	Checks	Penalty -	▼ Total →
	Min Shan Liu	\$483.72	N/A	\$29,900.00	\$30,383.72
6	(Claimant #1)	, ,,,,,,,,			
	Cong Hua Huang	\$302.40	N/A	\$29,150.00	\$29,452.40
7	(Claimant #2)				
	Raymond Yuen	\$2,080.22	N/A	\$39,450.00	\$41,530.22
8	(Claimant #3)				
	Bie E. Xie	\$4,177.65	N/A	\$39,450.00	\$43,627.65
9	(Claimant #4)				
10	Li Chan Huang	\$170.89	N/A	\$39,450.00	\$39,620.89
IU	(Claimant #5)		·		
11	Yue Hua Mai	\$105.22	N/A	\$39,450.00	\$39,555.22
* *	(Claimant #6)			_	
12	Xiao Min Chen	\$1,169.73	N/A	\$28,400.00	\$29,569.73
	(Claimant #7)				
13	Yat Yau Lam	\$1,324.30	N/A	\$39,450.00	\$40,774.30
	(Claimant #8)	-			040,000,00
14	Zhuo Hui Huang	\$2,889.47	\$4,263.86	\$39,450.00	\$46,603.33
45	(Claimant #10)		A = 504 00	000 450 00	ACO 540 04
15	Yi Chao Zhao	\$5,560.99	\$5,501.92	\$39,450.00	\$50,512.91
16	(Claimant #11)		<u> </u>	#20 450 00	640 700 10
10	Helen Yu	\$4,780.20	\$5,489.99	\$39,450.00	\$49,720.19
17	(Claimant #12)	A 1 / A	64 000 00	#14 7ED 00	\$18,973.80
•	Rui Hua Wu	N/A	\$4,223.80	\$14,750.00	\$10,973.00
18	(Claimant #13)	#0.044.00	\$4,879.91	\$36,800.00	\$48,291.80
	Wo Han Huang	\$6,611.89	, ф4,0 <i>19.</i> 91	\$50,000.00	Ψ40,231.00
19	(Claimant #14)	N/A	\$4,700.00	\$10,150.00	\$14,850.00
ο.	Yu Zhen Jiang	IN/A	φ4,700.00	Ψ10,100.00	Ψ1-4,000.00
20	(Claimant #15) Jie Chang Xu	\$1,174.59	\$5,019.35	\$39,100.00	\$45,293.94
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<u>~1</u>	Dong Quan He	\$2,381.72	\$4,639.56	\$39,450.00	\$46,471.28
22	(Claimant #17)	φ <u>π</u> ,00,	V 1,000.00	4.5.7	, ,
	Run lin Liang	\$3,146.47	\$5,556.60	\$39,450.00	\$48,153.07
23	(Claimant #18)	ψο, τ , σ. τ τ	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	,	
	Ming Pong Fong	\$3,349.42	\$6,944.04	\$39,450.00	\$49,743.46
24	(Claimant #19)				
O.F		\$1,887.74	\$3,391.97	\$39,450.00	\$44,729.71
25	(Claimant #20)	,	•		
26		N/A	\$8,673.07	\$24,400.00	\$33,073.07
اسد	(Claimant #21)				

TABLE 5 (CONTINUED) SUMMARY OF UNPAID WAGES AND MAXIMUM PENALTIES

3		- Wages Owe <u>d</u> -	Wages Owed		
4	Name of	for Audit Period 2/28/04 to 3/15/05	for 05-06 Bad paychecks/No Checks	Maximum Penalty	Total .
5	** Employee *** Chik Ling Leung	N/A	\$6,629.74	\$11,650.00	\$18,279.74
6	(Claimant #22)		20.501.51	#20 450 00	\$44.9E4.E2
7	Bao Ling Chen (Claimant #23)	\$1,809.98	\$3,594.54	\$39,450.00	\$44,854.52
-	Kai Sam Chu	N/A	\$1,673.00	\$5,550.00	\$7,223.00
8	(Claimant #24)		AF 007 0F	640 450 00	\$15,817.65
9	Han Ling Jiang (Claimant #25)	N/A	\$5,667.65	\$10,150.00	
10	Hong Can Huang (Claimant #26)	N/A	\$2,943.40	\$6,400.00	\$9,343.40
11	Ming Hen Wong (Claimant #27)	\$1,997.59	\$6,448.82	\$39,450.00	\$47,896.41
12	Zhi Bin Huang (Claimant #28)	\$3,720.89	\$7,427.50	\$39,450.00	\$50,598.39
13	Lai Chun Lian (Claimant #29)	N/A	\$25,000.00	\$22,250.00	\$47,250.00
14	Xin Sheng Kuang (Claimant #30)	N/A	\$6,361.56	\$10,900.00	\$17,261.56
15	Bi Wen Huang	\$49.75	N/A	N/A	\$49.75
16	Yong Yu Lei	\$148.75	N/A	N/A	\$148.75
17	Yan Qiong Li	\$2,855.64	N/A	N/A	\$2,855.64
18	Yi Yin Lin	\$51.00	N/A	N/A	\$51.00
19 20	Chun Hua Lin	\$276.25	N/A	N/A	\$276.25
20 21	Xiao Ling Liao	\$85.00	N/A	N/A	\$85.00
22	Jia Long Liu	\$1,143.63	N/A	N/A	\$1,143.63
23	Vu Lin Ma	\$839.38	N/A	N/A	\$839.38
24	7h: 7hon Dan	\$2,717.51	N/A	N/A	\$2,717.51
25		\$27.63	N/A	N/A	\$27.63
26		\$926.50	N/A	N/A	\$926.50
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TABLE 5 (CONTINUED)
SUMMARY OF UNPAID WAGES AND MAXIMUM PENALTIES

Name of Employee	Wages Owed for Audit - Period 2/28/04 to 3/15/05	Wages Owed for 05-06 Bad paychecks/No Checks	Maximum Penalty	*⊪Total ∗
Shu Yu Wu	\$845.75	N/A	N/A	\$845.75
Zhan Hong Song	\$1,946.50	N/A	N/A	\$1,946.50
Lian Cui Guan	\$1,810.43	N/A	N/A	\$1,810.43
Chun Yan Zhao	\$1,282.49	N/A	N/A	\$1,282.49
Fang Yan Lu	\$513.83	N/A	N/A	\$513.83

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