



U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20416

August 9, 2012

The Honorable Roy Blunt
United States Senator
308 East High Street, Suite 202
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Dear Senator Blunt:

Thank you for your inquiry on behalf of Mr. Patrick Michael Payne regarding his U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) guaranteed business loans made to Triple R Restaurant, LLC (TRR).

#9014254002 (loan#1):

According to SBA loan records on July 29, 2005, SBA approved a request for a 50 percent guarantee of a \$200,000 loan to Triple made by Commerce Bank. On September 29, 2009, SBA honored its guarantee and purchased the loan due to non-payment. Subsequently, after numerous attempts to contact Mr. Payne to offer repayment arrangements, the loan remained delinquent, and the loan was then charged off on July 28, 2010.

#1697605009 (loan#2):

According to SBA loan records on March 7, 2006, SBA approved a request for a 50 percent guarantee of a \$35,000 loan to Triple made by Commerce Bank. On November 20, 2009, SBA honored its guarantee and purchased the loan due to non-payment. Subsequently, after numerous attempts to contact Mr. Payne to offer repayment arrangements, the loan remained delinquent, and the loan was then charged off on August 7, 2010.

#1697735002(loan#3):

According to SBA loan records on March 7, 2006, SBA approved a request for a 50 percent guarantee of a \$40,500 loan to Triple made by Commerce Bank. On January 7, 2010, SBA honored its guarantee and purchased the loan due to non-payment. Subsequently, after numerous attempts to contact Mr. Payne to offer repayment arrangements, the loan remained delinquent, and the loan was then charged off on August 8, 2010.

As mandated by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, SBA referred the loans to the U.S. Department of Treasury (Treasury) for further collection efforts. However, the Agency has discovered that Commerce Bank is continuing to service all three loans. The SBA and Treasury have ceased all collection efforts. Commerce Bank will continue with to service and collect these loans. We urge Mr. Payne to work with the lender on a equitable plan to settle these loans. If he has questions regarding SBA servicing and collection procedures and rules, he may Ms. Barbara Jung-Gibbs of the SBA Fresno Commercial Loan Servicing Center at (800) 347-0922, extension 2935.

We appreciate your continued support of the SBA and the Missouri small business community. If you and your staff have any questions, please contact the SBA Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700.

Sincerely,

John A. Miller
Director
Office of Financial Programs Office

cc: Barbara Jung-Gibbs, SBA Fresno Commercial Loan Servicing Center