UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION June 11, 2008

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Novastar Financial, Inc.

File No. 001-13533 CF# 22182

Novastar Financial, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from an Exhibit to a Form 10-Q filed on May 19, 2008.

Based on representations by Novastar Financial, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit will not be released to the public for the time period specified:

Exhibit 10.55 through October 1, 2008

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Michael McTiernan Special Counsel