UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION July 2, 2008

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Novastar Financial, Inc.

File No. 1-13533 - CF#21200

Novastar Financial, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibit to a Form 10-Q filed on November 14, 2007.

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 2.1 through November 13, 2012

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

Michael McTiernan Special Counsel