TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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Privacy

The disclosures contained in Balance Credit's <u>Privacy Notice</u> apply to our use of your personal information as a financial institution. A description of Balance Credit's collection, use, and sharing of your personal information by accessing our Site are contained in our Site Privacy Policy. The Site Privacy Policy is incorporated by reference in these Terms. By using the Site, you are also consenting to the Privacy Policy. Additionally, by using the Site, you acknowledge and agree that Internet transmissions are never completely private or secure. You understand that any message or information you send to the Site may be read or intercepted by others, notwithstanding Balance Credit's efforts to protect such transmissions.

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Site Security

As a condition of your use of this Site, you agree that you will not take any action intended to: (i) access data that is not intended for you; (ii) invade the privacy of, obtain the identity of, or obtain any personal information about any Balance Credit or user of this Site; (iii) probe, scan, or test the vulnerability of this Site or the Balance Credit network or breach security or authentication measures without proper authorization; (iv) attempt to interfere with service to any user, host, or network or otherwise attempt to disrupt our business, including, without limitation, via means of submitting a virus to this Site, overloading, "flooding," "spamming," "mail bombing," or "crashing"; or (v) send unsolicited mail, including promotions and/or advertising of products and services. Violations of system or network security may result in civil or criminal liability. While we use reasonable efforts to safeguard the security of the Site, there can be no guaranty that such safeguards will successfully prevent unauthorized alterations in the content or functionality of the Site. We assume no liability or responsibility for any unauthorized alterations in the content or functionality of the Site.

Balance Credit makes no warranty whatsoever to you, express or implied, regarding the security of the Site, including with respect to the ability of unauthorized persons to intercept or access information transmitted by you through the Site. To protect the security of your information, Balance Credit may require you to authenticate your identity (i.e., prove that you are who you say you are) when you use the Site. You acknowledge and agree that you are solely responsible for maintaining the security of your devices. Balance Credit is not responsible for any losses resulting from the loss or theft of your device, the loss or theft of your device by someone whom you have given access. You are required to notify us of any unauthorized use of the Site by contacting us at support@balancecredit.com.

Minors

This Site is not directed at children under the age of eighteen (18) and we do not knowingly collect personal information at this Site from any child under the age of eighteen (18).

Consent to Be Contacted

By submitting your contact information to us, you are expressly consenting to be contacted by us (and our affiliates, agents, assigns, and service providers) by telephone, email, SMS or postal mail even if you have opted into the national Do Not Call List administered by the Federal Trade Commission, any state equivalent Do Not Call List or the Do Not Call List of any specific institution. We may contact you for application and loan servicing, including without limitation, for matters related to your loan or application, such as to remind you of upcoming payments, or for collections and other loan-related issues. By submitting your contact information, registering for an account, applying for a Service, or beginning an application for a Service, you consent to be contacted by written notices; SMS messages (including text messages); telephone at any telephone number associated with your account you provide now or in the future, including cellular phones, wireless telephone numbers, or other wireless devices, and in connection with any such telephone calls, you consent to the use of prerecorded/artificial voice messages and/or automatic dialing

devices, at any telephone number associated with your account, including mobile telephone numbers that could result in charges to you for matters related to your loan or application, such as reminding you of upcoming payments, collections, and other loan-related issues; email notices at any email address or mailing address we have for you in our records or from other public and nonpublic databases that we may lawfully access. Where allowed by law, we also may contact other individuals who may be able to provide updated employment, location, and contact information for you. You hereby further consent that we may utilize third party service and other providers for the purposes of contacting you on our behalf in accordance with the Terms. You may change your contact preferences by contacting us at (855) 942-2526.

SMS Terms and Conditions

By opting in to receive text messages from Balance Credit, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. <u>Message Frequency Disclosure</u>: Message frequency may vary per month from Balance Credit. These messages will pertain to billing information, reminders, and payments due.

2. <u>Opt-Out:</u> You can opt out of receiving text messages at any time by replying "STOP" to any message you receive from Balance Credit. Once you opt out, you will no longer receive any text messages from us, except confirmation of your opt-out request.

3. <u>Support</u>: For support or assistance regarding text messages, you can contact us at <u>support@balancecredit.com</u> or (855) 942-2526.

4. <u>Data and Message Rates</u>: Standard message and data rates may apply to any messages received from Balance Credit. Please consult your mobile service provider for details regarding your messaging and data plan.

5. <u>Privacy:</u> Balance Credit is committed to protecting your privacy. Your information will only be used for the purpose of sending you marketing, billing and payment-related messages. We will not share your information with third parties for marketing purposes without your consent.

6. <u>Modification of Terms:</u> Balance Credit reserves the right to modify or amend these terms and conditions at any time. Any changes will be effective immediately upon posting the modified terms and conditions on our website or through other appropriate means of communication.

7. <u>Participating Carriers disclosure:</u> AT&T, T-Mobile, Metro PCS, Verizon Wireless, US Cellular, Google Voice, Cellular One, Cellcom, Cellular South, Interop, and Clearsky.

8. <u>Carrier Liability</u>: Carriers do not guarantee that alerts will be delivered and will not be liable for delayed or undelivered messages.

By opting in to receive text messages from Balance Credit, you acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agree to these terms and conditions.

Content Submitted or Made Available for Inclusion at the Site

Balance Credit's policy is to not accept or review unsolicited ideas or suggestions from persons outside the company. Notwithstanding such policy, any ideas, suggestions, knowhow, comments, questions, or concepts that are offered or communicated to Information gathered through this Site or otherwise shall become the property of Balance Credit and may be treated by Balance Credit as non-confidential and non-proprietary. We shall have the unrestricted right to use and disclose such ideas, suggestions, know-how, comments, questions, or concepts for any purpose without compensation or obligation to any party.

Sweepstakes & Other Promotions

From time to time, Balance Credit may conduct promotions on or through the Site, including without limitation, contests, sweepstakes, and other promotions ("Promotions"). Each Promotion may have additional terms and/or rules of participation ("Promotion Rules"), which will be posted or otherwise made available to you. The Promotion Rules for each Promotion in which you participate will be deemed incorporated into and form a part of these Terms for the Promotions. It

is your responsibility to read the Promotion Rules to determine whether or not your participation, registration, or entry will be valid or restricted, and to determine your participation requirements.

Conduct of Site Visitors

Although we may from time to time monitor or review postings, transmissions, and the like on the Site (collectively, "Communication(s)"), we are under no obligation to do so and assumes no responsibility or liability arising from the content of any Communications, nor for any error, defamation, libel, slander, omission, falsehood, obscenity, pornography, profanity, danger, or inaccuracy contained in any Communication on the Site. You are prohibited from posting or transmitting any unlawful, threatening, libelous, defamatory, obscene, scandalous, inflammatory, pornographic, or profane material or any material that could constitute or encourage conduct that would be considered a criminal offense, give rise to civil liability, or otherwise violate any law, regulation, rule or ordinance. We retain the right to remove any such posting and will fully cooperate with any law enforcement authorities or court order requesting or directing Balance Credit to disclose the identity of anyone posting any such information or materials. Your use of the Site is limited to the intended function of the Site. Unauthorized use of the Site and systems, including but not limited to unauthorized entry into Balance Credit's systems or misuse of any information posted on the Site, is strictly prohibited. You may not use the Site in a manner that: (a) is unlawful, fraudulent, or deceptive;

- (b) encourages conduct that would constitute a criminal offense or that gives rise to civil liability;
- (c) violates the Terms or any other Balance Credit policies;
- (d) fails to comply with applicable third-party terms; or
- (e) constitutes any other inappropriate conduct, as determined by us in our sole discretion.

If you violate any provision of these Terms, your permission to use the Site and Services will terminate. Additionally, we, in our sole discretion may terminate your user account or suspend or terminate your access to the Services at any time, with or without notice.

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Indemnity

By using the Site, you agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Balance Credit from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, costs and expenses (including but not limited to reasonable legal and accounting fees) that we may incur arising or resulting from your use of this Site, the content of the Site, or your breach of these Terms. We reserve the right to assume or participate, at your expense, in the investigation, settlement, and defense of any such action or claim.

Additional Terms

Certain features or Services available through the Site may be subject to additional terms, which will be presented to you at that time. In the event of a conflict between these Terms and such additional terms, the additional terms will govern solely with respect to such features and Services. Such additional terms are expressly incorporated into and made part of these Terms.

Modifications

We may, from time to time, make modifications, changes, or additions to these Terms. You agree that your continued use of the Site or Services following the posting of such changes is your acceptance of such changes.

We also reserve the right to modify or discontinue the Site or Services at any time (including by limiting or discontinuing certain features of the Service) without notice to you. We will have no liability whatsoever on account of any change to the Site or Services or any suspension or termination of your access to or use of the Site or Services. You may terminate your account at any time by contacting customer service at support@balancecredit.com. If you or we terminate your account, you will remain obligated to pay all outstanding amounts owed to us or on your line of credit, if any, relating to your use of Site or the Services incurred prior to termination.

Arbitration

Balance Credit's relationship with you is governed by applicable federal and state laws as stated in your loan agreement ("Agreement"), except the Federal Arbitration Act 9 U.S.C Sections 1-16 ("FAA") governs the Jury Trial Waiver and Arbitration Clause in your Agreement. We will resolve any complaint lodged, filed or otherwise submitted by you or on your behalf in a manner that is consistent with the Agreement. If you have concerns about the operation of any part of Balance Credit or otherwise believe yourself to be aggrieved by some aspect of the operation of any part of Balance Credit's services, you agree that you shall direct your concerns or dispute in the first instance to Balance Credit's management, either orally or in writing. In the event you are dissatisfied with Balance Credit's initial determination, you may mail us notice, within 15 days of the dispute date. In your notice, tell Balance Credit the details and how you want to resolve it. We will try to resolve the Dispute. If we make a written offer ("Settlement Offer"), you can reject it and arbitrate. If we don't solve the Dispute, either party may start arbitration. To start arbitration, contact an Arbiter or arbitration group listed in your Agreement. No party will disclose settlement proposals to the Arbiter during arbitration. You may send written notice via mail to: SunUp Financial, LLC d/b/a Balance Credit, P.O. Box 4356 Dept #1557, Houston, TX 77210. You can call us or use certified mail to confirm receipt. Additionally, by the continued us of this Site, you agree that all claims, demands, disputes or controversies between you and Balance Credit (its employees, officers, directors, members, agents or assigns), including disputes regarding the scope and validity of this section, and any loan you have had in the past, any loan you may now have, or any loan you may obtain in the future, shall be subject to the Jury Trial Waiver and Arbitration Clause in your Agreement as provided above and in the Agreement. You agree that YOU ARE WAIVING YOUR RIGHT TO HAVE A TRIAL BY JURY. This agreement shall apply to all claims, whether under common law or pursuant to federal, state

or local statute, regulation or ordinance, or for claims of fraud, misrepresentation or collection on the loan, and you specifically waive your right to bring, join or participate in any class action lawsuit in any federal court.

YOU AND BALANCE CREDIT WOULD HAVE HAD A RIGHT OR OPPORTUNITY TO LITIGATE DISPUTES THROUGH A COURT AND HAVE A JUDGE OR JURY DECIDE THE DISPUTE(S) BUT HAVE AGREED INSTEAD TO RESOLVE ANY DISPUTE(S) THROUGH ARBITRATION Finally, to the extent permitted by applicable state and federal law, you agree that you will not bring, join or participate in any class action as to any claim, dispute or controversy you may have against us, our employees, officers, directors, servicers and assigns. You agree to the entry of injunctive relief to stop such a lawsuit or to remove you as a participant in the suit. YOU THEREFORE AGREE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU ARE WAIVING YOUR RIGHT TO INITIATE OR PARTICIPATE IN A CLASS ACTION RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE USE OF THIS SITE. You agree to pay any attorneys' fees and court costs we might incur in seeking such relief.

The Terms are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois excluding choice-of-law provisions of Illinois law that would result in the laws of any state or country other than Illinois being applied. The state courts in Cook County, Illinois have general jurisdiction and will be the exclusive venue for litigating any claims, actions, or proceedings related to the Site, Terms, or any other Balance Credit policies or terms and conditions. Any such cause of action you may have must be commenced within one (1) year after the claim or cause of action arises, or such claim or cause of action shall be barred.

If any portion of these Terms is deemed unlawful, void, or unenforceable by any arbitrator or court of competent jurisdiction, the Terms as a whole shall not be deemed unlawful, void, or unenforceable, but only that portion that is unlawful, void, or unenforceable shall be stricken from these Terms. You agree that if we do not exercise or enforce any legal right or remedy which is contained in the Terms (or which we have the benefit of under any applicable law), this will not be taken to be a formal waiver of Balance Credit's rights and that those rights or remedies will still be available to Balance Credit. All covenants, agreements, representations, and warranties made in these Terms shall survive your acceptance of the Terms and the termination of the agreement(s) contained herein. These Terms represent the entire understanding and agreement between you and Balance Credit regarding your use of the Site and supersede all other previous agreements regarding same.

CONTACT US

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