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Advanced Settlements, Inc. and the Oregon Community Foundation Announce a \$1.395 Million Life Settlement on Donated Life Insurance Policy

Company officials call the transaction a “groundbreaking event” for the non-profit community

Orlando, FL, Aug. 17, 2005 – Advanced Settlements, Inc., one of the nation’s leading life settlement companies, and the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF), one of the nation’s largest community foundations, today announced a \$1.395 million life settlement on a \$4 million life insurance policy owned by the charity.

“We are delighted that we could assist the Oregon Community Foundation in salvaging a policy of this size,” said Sean McNealy, co-president of Advanced Settlements. “This is truly a groundbreaking event for the non-profit community, and we hope this successful transaction will inspire other charitable organizations to consider a life settlement in lieu of accepting low cash surrender values, or letting policies lapse,” McNealy added.

OCF officials explained that the transaction involved a second-to-die life insurance policy that had been gifted nearly six years ago. When the insured passed away recently, the spouse was unable to maintain the premiums and the OCF considered surrendering the policy. The insurance agent who had been working with the donor and the charity advised the parties that a life settlement would be a preferable solution to accepting the cash surrender value, and recommended working with Advanced Settlements due to their level of experience in obtaining multiple offers.

“This was our first experience with a life settlement, and truly a win-win for both the foundation and the donor’s spouse,” said David Westcott, OCF’s Vice President for Planned Giving. “Although we were considering surrendering the policy for \$474,000, we were pleased to learn that we had been offered nearly three times that amount which can be applied immediately to the late donor’s charitable legacy,” Westcott added.

McNealy explained that charitable organizations who own donated life insurance policies may, with the donor’s consent, pursue a life settlement on policies for qualified seniors. A life settlement is simply the sale of a life insurance policy by a senior over the age of 70 to an institutional funder for an amount greater than the cash surrender value. Because some charities prefer to receive cash donations as opposed to accepting deferred gifts such as life insurance policies, a life settlement can present an attractive option for both the donor and the charitable organization prior to the policy being donated. Furthermore, charities that have already accepted donated policies should conduct periodic reviews and determine whether a life settlement would be suitable in certain situations, depending upon the policies’ performance, and the cost to maintain them.

About Advanced Settlements

Located in Orlando, Florida, and founded in 2000, Advanced Settlements, Inc. is one of the largest life settlement companies in the nation. Through a network of more than 20 funding institutions, the company obtains multiple offers on the secondary market in pursuit of the highest possible settlement for the policyholder. The company is committed to educating the financial and non-profit marketplace about the pro-consumer value of life settlements and to participating in the development of prudent regulatory activity through its representation on the board of the Viatical and Life Settlement Association of America. The company may be reached at 1-800-561-4148, or at www.advancedsettlements.com.

About the Oregon Community Foundation

Founded in 1973, the Oregon Community Foundation is one of the premier philanthropic organizations in Oregon. The Foundation's three main functions are to: build a permanent charitable endowment by managing donors' individually tailored funds; make grants and scholarships from those funds; and provide leadership to address community needs. The OCF is among the largest community foundations in the nation and is dedicated to making a positive difference in communities throughout Oregon. OCF may be reached at 503-227-6846, or at www.ocf1.org

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