



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **FREMONT GENERAL CORPORATION INTENDS TO FILE FORM 12b-25 WITH SEC BEFORE THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2007**

(SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA) – March 1, 2007: Fremont General Corporation (the "Company"), today announced that it intends to file a Form 12b-25 with the Securities and Exchange Commission before the close of business on Friday, March 2, 2007. As previously reported by the Company, the Form 12b-25 will explain the reasons for the Company not filing today with the Securities and Exchange Commission its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

### **Regulatory Filings**

The Company's periodic reports as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") can be accessed at [www.fremontgeneral.com](http://www.fremontgeneral.com) and on the EDGAR section of the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

### **About Fremont General**

Fremont General Corporation is a financial services holding company which is engaged in commercial real estate and non-prime residential real estate lending operations on a nationwide basis. At December 31, 2006, Fremont Investment & Loan had commercial real estate loans in its portfolio located in 30 states. During the fourth quarter of 2006, Fremont Investment & Loan originated residential real estate loans in 47 states. Loans originated by the Company are done primarily on a first mortgage basis. To find out more about Fremont General, or to subscribe to the Company's Email Alert feature notification of Company news and events, please visit [www.fremontgeneral.com](http://www.fremontgeneral.com).

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This news release may contain "forward-looking statements" which are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements and the Company's currently reported results are based on the Company's current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on the Company. These statements and the Company's reported results are not guarantees of future performance and there can be no assurance that actual developments will be those anticipated by the Company. Actual results may differ materially and adversely from the Company's projected or reported results as a result of significant risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict, including:

- changes in the interest rate and competitive environments;
- changes in general and specific economic conditions and trends;
- changes in asset and loan valuations and the costs of originating loans;
- changes in the volumes of loans originated, loans sold, the pricing of existing and future loans, and the values realized upon the sale of such loans;
- access to the necessary capital, liquidity and deposit resources to fund loan originations and the condition of the whole loan sale and securitization markets;

- the impact of valuation and other changes in the commercial and residential real estate markets;
- the effect of litigation, state and federal legislation and regulations;
- the variability in determining the adequate level of the Company's allowance for loan losses, valuation and repurchase reserves;
- the impact of regulatory actions taken by the FDIC, the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of California or other regulatory bodies on the Company's ability to conduct its business;
- the impact of changes in federal and state tax laws and interpretations, including tax rate changes;
- the ability to maintain an effective system of internal and financial disclosure controls, and to identify and remediate any control deficiencies, under the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and
- other events and factors beyond our control.

*For a more detailed discussion of risks and uncertainties, see the Company's public filings with the SEC. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements.*

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