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August 13, 2012

EMC Mortgage Corporation, as Sponsor and as Mortgage Loan Seller 2780 Lake Vista Drive Lewisville, Texas 75067 Attention: President or General Counsel

Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc., as Depositor and as Purchaser 383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10179
Attention: Chief Counsel

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Master Servicer and as Securities Administrator 9062 Old Annapolis Road Columbia, Maryland 21045 Attention: Corporate Trust, SAMI II Series 2006-AR8

Re: Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Trust, Series 2006-AR8; Request for Repurchase of Mortgage Loans

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are writing in our capacity as Trustee under that certain (i) Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of October 1, 2006 (the "PSA") among Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc. ("SAMI"), as depositor (the "Depositor"), The Bank of New York Mellon (as successor-in-interest to The Bank of New York), as trustee (the "Trustee"), Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as master servicer (the "Master Servicer") and as securities administrator (the "Securities Administrator"), and EMC Mortgage Corporation ("EMC"); and (ii) Mortgage Loan Purchase Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2006, between EMC, as mortgage loan seller (the "Mortgage Loan Seller"), and SAMI, as purchaser (the "Purchaser"). Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the PSA.

Pursuant to Section 2.03(b) of the PSA and Section 7 of the MLPA, we hereby provide notice of our receipt of the attached letter (the "Repurchase Request") from the Certificate Insurer that purports to identify breaches of representations and warranties made in clause (xx) of Section 7 of the MLPA and demands the repurchase of the Mortgage Loans identified on Appendix A to the Repurchase Request.

We ask that EMC, as Sponsor and as Mortgage Loan Seller, keep us informed as to the status of the Repurchase Request and notify us upon EMC's repurchase of the related Mortgage Loans.

Please contact Medina Dzaferovic at 212-815-8316 with any questions that you may have.

Very truly yours,

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, as

Trustee

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Title:

Medina Dzaferovic Associate

cc: Ambac Assurance Corporation

Ambac Assurance Corporation One State Street Plaza New York, New York 10004

A member of Ambac Financial Group, Inc.

Mark G. Young First Vice President and Assistant General Counsel 212-208-3203 Fax: 212.208.3558 myoung@ambac.com

URGENT MATERIAL ENCLOSED

VIA FEDEX

July 27, 2012



To the Parties Listed on Schedule A attached hereto

Re: Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Trust 2006-AR8 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AR8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to (i) that certain Mortgage Loan Purchase Agreement (the "MLPA") entered into in connection with the above-referenced transaction (the "Transaction"), dated as of October 31, 2006, by and between EMC Mortgage Corporation ("EMC"), as the Mortgage Loan Seller, and Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc. ("SAMI II"), as the Purchaser; and (ii) that certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement (the "PSA") entered into in connection with the above-referenced Transaction, dated as of October 1, 2006, among SAMI II, as the Depositor, The Bank of New York, as the Trustee, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the Master Servicer and as the Securities Administrator, and EMC.

This notice is issued in connection with Section 7 of the MLPA and Section 2.03(b) of the PSA.

Ambac Assurance Corporation ("Ambac"), as Certificate Insurer, on its own behalf and as management services provider for the Segregated Account of Ambac Assurance Corporation, hereby officially notifies you of its discovery of breaches by EMC of one or more of the representations and warranties contained in Section 7 of the MLPA with respect to the Mortgage Loans identified in Appendix A attached hereto, which breaches materially and adversely affect the value of the interests of the Purchaser, the Certificateholders (as such term is defined in the PSA), the Certificate Insurer or the Trustee in the related Mortgage Loans. The foregoing breaches are described with specificity in Appendix A with respect to each Mortgage Loan identified therein. Please note that Section 7 of the MLPA specifically provides that a breach of the representation and warranty made in clause (xx) of Section 7 thereof will be deemed to materially and adversely affect the value of the interests of the Purchaser, the Certificateholders, the Certificate Insurer or the Trustee in the related Mortgage Loan and shall require a repurchase of the related Mortgage Loan as set forth therein.

The claims made and sums demanded pursuant to this letter are without prejudice to any additional claims or demands with respect to indemnification, expense reimbursement, breaches of representations or warranties, breaches of other provisions of any documents relating to the Transaction, claims in tort, or otherwise that Ambac or any other party may make with respect to any matter relating to the Transaction. Ambac is continuing its investigation of the Transaction, including of the loans set forth in Appendix A, and will communicate additional issues or concerns if, as and when it considers it appropriate to do so. Nothing contained in this letter shall bind, prejudice or estop Ambac to any extent whatever or be construed as an admission by Ambac. All rights and remedies of Ambac and of every other person or entity that might be benefited or otherwise affected by Ambac's exercise of rights and remedies in this letter are completely reserved.

Ambac

Kindly direct all communications with Ambac relating to the foregoing as follows:

Ambac Assurance Corporation One State Street Plaza New York, NY 10004

Attention: Risk Management, Consumer Asset-Backed Securities (SAMI 2006-AR8) (Policy # AB1043BE)

Telephone: (212) 668-0340 Facsimile: (212) 363-1459

With a copy to: Mark G. Young, Esq.

First Vice President and Assistant General Counsel

Very truly yours,

Mark G. Young

First Vice President and Assistant General Counsel

Schedule A

The Bank of New York
as Trustee
4 New York Plaza, 6th Floor
New York, New York 10004
Attention: Worldwide Securities Services—Structured Finance Services SAMI
Series II 2006-AR8

Ambac

Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc.

as Depositor 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179 Attention: Chief Counsel

Structured Asset Mortgage Investments II Inc. as Purchaser 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179 Attention: Baron Silverstein

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EMC Mortgage Corporation 2780 Lake Vista Drive Lewisville, Texas 75067 Attention: President or General Counsel

EMC Mortgage Corporation as Mortgage Loan Seller 2780 Lake Vista Drive Lewisville, Texas 75067 Attention: Mark Novacheck