

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Administrative Proceedings Rulings
Release No. 4981 / August 17, 2017

Administrative Proceeding
File No. 3-18104

In the Matter of

**Altovida Inc.,
Aurora Gold Corporation,
Auxillium Energy, Inc., and
Silver Falcon Mining, Inc.**

**Order Postponing Hearing,
Finding Service, and
Scheduling Prehearing
Conference**

On August 7, 2017, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued an order instituting proceedings (OIP) pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, alleging that Respondents have securities registered with the Commission and are delinquent in their periodic filings. A hearing is scheduled to commence on September 12, 2017.

On August 15, 2017, the Division of Enforcement filed two declarations addressing service of the OIP on Respondents. The first declaration concerned service of the OIP on Respondent Aurora Gold Corporation. According to Aurora Gold's most recent filing with the commission, it is a Delaware corporation with offices in Switzerland. The Division conducted a Delaware corporate records search and determined that Aurora Gold has void status under Delaware corporate law and has no officers, directors, places of business, or any other corporate presence in Delaware. A Delaware corporation in void status loses all corporate powers and therefore has no registered agent. *See* Del. Code tit. 8, § 510. Under Delaware law, if a corporation cannot be served in Delaware by other means, it is lawful to serve process on the Delaware Secretary of State. Del. Code tit. 8, § 321(b); *see Ross v. Venezuelan-Am. Indep. Oil Producers Ass'n*, 230 F. Supp. 701, 702 (D. Del. 1964) (finding service on a dissolved corporation through the Delaware Secretary of State to be "valid").

A process server served the OIP on an authorized person in the Division of Corporations within the Delaware Department of State on August 9, 2017.

I therefore find that service of the OIP was made to an “agent authorized by appointment or law to receive . . . notice” and that service on Aurora Gold was effected on August 9. 17 C.F.R. § 201.141(a)(2)(ii).

The second declaration establishes that the OIP was served on Respondents Altovida Inc., Auxillium Energy, Inc., and Silver Falcon Mining, Inc., by August 11, 2017, by mailing a copy of the OIP by priority mail express to their most recent addresses shown on their most recent filings with the Commission in accordance with 17 C.F.R. § 201.141(a)(2)(ii), (iv).¹

Respondents’ answers to the OIP are due by August 24, 2017. OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.160(b), .220(b).

I ORDER that the hearing is POSTPONED, and that a telephonic prehearing conference shall be held at 2:00 p.m. Eastern on October 12, 2017, if the proceeding has not been resolved by then.

Cameron Elliot
Administrative Law Judge

¹ Altovida is located in Newhouse, Lanarkshire, United Kingdom. The United Kingdom is a signatory to the Hague Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters, *done* Nov. 15, 1965, 20 U.S.T. 361, 658 U.N.T.S. 163, and does not object under Article 10(a) to service of judicial documents through postal channels. *See Kelly v. Vesnaver*, No. 16-cv-883, 2017 WL 2389506, at *4 (E.D.N.Y. Apr. 11, 2017).