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NOTICE OF LAST DAY TO FILE PROOF OF CLAIM
(“BAR DATE NOTICE”)

APRIL 13, 2012

In the Consolidated Cases of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York:

SEC v. JOSE LUIS BALLESTEROS FRANCO, ET AL., Case No. 01 CV 03872 (JGK)

SEC v. CUSI, Case No. 02 CV 0971 (JGK); and

SEC v. MANZO, Case No. 02 CV 01766 (JGK)

TO ALL INVESTORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Court entered its Order on November 8, 2011, approving an Amended Plan of Distribution (“the Plan”) directing the duly appointed Distribution Agent in said action, Richard Weissman, to determine the lawful claims of loss by investors in *Nalco Chemical Company* (“*Nalco*”), arising out of certain insider trading conduct of, among others, Jose Luis Ballesteros Franco, Pablo Escandon Cusi and Hugo Salvador Villa Manzo, (collectively, “Franco”) during June 1999.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that with respect to filing proofs of claim:

LAST DAY TO FILE PROOF OF CLAIM

Any person or entity that asserts a claim or interest against Franco, et al., in respect to losses sustained and financial injury suffered as a result of the insider trading described and defined by the Plan, **must deliver (file)** a proof of claim (“POC”) to the Distribution Agent, **postmarked on or before APRIL 13, 2012**. That date is the last day by which a claim may be *postmarked* to be deemed “timely filed.” **This date is called the “Bar Date.”** Claims filed (postmarked) *after* the Bar Date may be *denied* by the Court. Denial of a claim will result in no distribution to a claimant of any portion of the Fair Funds controlled by the Court.

All original Proofs of Claim must be filed with the Distribution Agent, and **postmarked on or before the Bar Date**, at: 12121 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 600, Los Angeles, California 90025.

A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM ACCOMPANIES THIS BAR DATE NOTICE AND IS

ALSO AVAILABLE FROM THE DISTRIBUTION AGENT AT HIS OFFICE, OR FROM THE WEBSITE OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION:

www.sec.gov/divisions/enforce/claims/franco.htm (link to the investor Claim section); OR FROM THE DISTRIBUTION AGENT'S WEBSITE: www.richardweissmanreceiver.com or www.saltzburgrayandweissman.com.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO FILE A COMPLETED AND SIGNED PROOF OF CLAIM IF YOU SEEK RECOVERY OF MONEY FROM THE FUNDS CONTROLLED BY THE COURT IN THIS CASE.

CONSENT TO JURISDICTION OF THE COURT

By filing a proof of claim with the Distribution Agent, you agree that the Court shall have jurisdiction over all claims identified in your Proof of Claim ("Claims") and over all aspects of your Claims, including but not limited to: (a) the allowed amount; (b) priority in distribution; (c) scheduling and allocation of the funds available to satisfy your Claims (if any are available); and (d) objections or disputes as to the allowed amount. You must file and submit any and all objections and disputes you may have regarding your Claim to the Court pursuant to federal motion practice for a hearing and a final ruling thereon. The matter will be heard by the Court sitting without a jury.

PLEASE NOTE: A PROOF OF CLAIM MUST BE TIMELY *POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 13, 2012*, AND ACTUALLY DELIVERED TO THE DISTRIBUTION AGENT OR YOU MAY BE COMPLETELY BARRED AND PRECLUDED BY THE COURT FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY DISTRIBUTION OF THE ASSETS HELD BY THE COURT.