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

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-17685

In the Matter of

MARK D. HOLT (a/k/a MARK D. HOLTHUSEN)

ORDER FOLLOWING
PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On November 17, 2016, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued an order instituting proceedings (OIP) against Respondent under Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

Yesterday, I held a telephonic prehearing conference, attended by counsel for Respondent and the Division of Enforcement. Respondent's counsel agreed to accept service of the OIP by e-mail. After the conference, the Division filed a declaration and attachment demonstrating it had e-mailed the OIP to Respondent's counsel. Therefore, Respondent's answer to the OIP is due January 9, 2017. OIP at 4; 17 C.F.R. § 201.220(b). The parties agreed to confer and propose a date and time for a prehearing conference to discuss scheduling after Respondent files his answer.

James E. Grimes Administrative Law Judge