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

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Administrative Proceeding File No. 3-16182

In the Matter of

Paul Edward "Ed" Lloyd, Jr., CPA **Notice to the Parties** 

The parties are notified of the Securities and Exchange Commission's order issued November 30, 2017. *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10440, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724, https://www.sec.gov/litigation/opinions/2017/33-10440.pdf. In that order, the Commission ratified the appointment of its administrative law judges and directed each judge to reconsider the record, including all substantive and procedural actions, in pending proceedings for which no initial decision has been issued and in those that are pending before the Commission following an initial decision.

I issued an initial decision in this matter on July 27, 2015. This proceeding has been remanded by the Commission's order, which directs me to issue, by February 16, 2018, an order upon reconsideration setting forth whether all prior actions taken by me are ratified or revised in any respect.

After reviewing the Commission's order, the parties should confer and contact my office at alj@sec.gov by December 11, 2017, to provide their earliest availability for a telephonic prehearing conference. In addition to the Commission's order, the parties should be prepared to address Respondent's May 1, 2015, motion for a protective order, which was never resolved.

Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge