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

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Administrative Proceeding File No. 3-17902

In the Matter of

John T. Lynch, Jr.

Notice to the Parties and Order Ratifying Stay

This proceeding was stayed on November 29, 2017, based on the parties' joint motion and agreement in principle to a settlement on all major terms. On November 30, 2017, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued an order ratifying the appointment of its administrative law judges and directing each judge to reconsider the record, including all substantive and procedural actions, in pending proceedings. *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10440, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724, https://www.sec.gov/litigation/opinions/2017/33-10440.pdf. The Commission's order set forth deadlines for the submission of any new evidence and a decision on reconsideration.

Because the settlement offer remains pending, I ratify the stay. 17 C.F.R. § 201.161(c)(2)(i). Pursuant to my authority to modify the deadlines in the Commission's November 30 order for good cause, *Pending Admin. Proc.*, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3724, at \*3-4, the deadlines for the submission of new evidence and ratification of prior actions are also stayed.

Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge