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

Administrative Proceedings Rulings Release No. 6250 / October 24, 2018

Administrative Proceeding File No. 3-18229

In the Matter of

**Demitrios Hallas** 

Order Finding Service and Directing Respondent to Show Cause

I held a prehearing conference in this matter on October 23, 2018. Counsel for the Division of Enforcement appeared but Respondent did not.

The Division submitted the declaration of a process server showing that Respondent was served with the order instituting proceedings (OIP) on October 12, 2017. Respondent's answer was due November 1, 2017. OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. § 201.220(b). Respondent did not file an answer, submit a proposal for the conduct of further proceedings, participate in the prehearing conference, or otherwise defend the proceeding. Accordingly, I ORDER Respondent to SHOW CAUSE by November 7, 2018, why he should not be found in default and the proceeding determined against him. See Pending Admin. Proc., Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10536, 2018 WL 4003609, at \*1 (Aug. 22, 2018) ("[I]f a party fails to submit a proposal, the ALJ may enter a default against that party . . . ."); 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a)(1)–(2), .220(f), .221(f).

The Division shall file an appropriate motion—for default and sanctions if Respondent does not answer or for summary disposition if he does—by November 28, 2018. Respondent shall file a response by December 19, 2018.

James E. Grimes Administrative Law Judge