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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

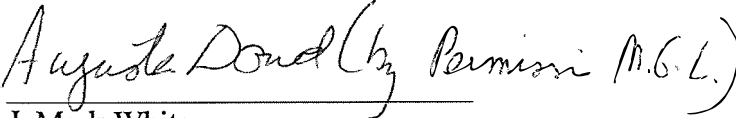
**In the Matter of** )  
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**THOMAS A. NEELY, JR.,** ) **Admin. File No. 3-15945**  
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**Respondent.** )

**JOINT MOTION TO STAY PENDING COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF  
OFFER OF SETTLEMENT**

Pursuant to Rule 161(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, the parties hereto move this Court to stay the hearing in this matter, which is currently set to start on February 24, 2015. The parties have agreed in principle to a settlement on all major terms. A stay is thus appropriate to afford the parties an opportunity to present the settlement offer to the Commission for its consideration.

This 23d day of February, 2015

  
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