UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Release No. 75062 / May 28, 2015

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING
File No. 3-16561

In the Matter of

CHRISTOPHER C. WEIDES,
Respondent.

ORDER INSTITUTING
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(b) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934,
MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING
REMEDIAL SANCTIONS

I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public administrative proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) against Christopher C. Weides (“Weides” or “Respondent”).

II.

In anticipation of the institution of these proceedings, Respondent has submitted an Offer of Settlement (the “Offer”) which the Commission has determined to accept. Solely for the purpose of these proceedings and any other proceedings brought by or on behalf of the Commission, or to which the Commission is a party, and without admitting or denying the findings herein, except as to the Commission’s jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of these proceedings and the findings contained in Section III.2 below, which are admitted, Respondent consents to the entry of this Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings Pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Exchange Act of 1934, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions (“Order”), as set forth below.
III.

On the basis of this Order and Respondent’s Offer, the Commission finds that:

1. Weides, 61, is a resident of Rogers, Minnesota. Weides is not, and was not during the relevant period, registered as a broker-dealer or associated with a broker or dealer registered with the Commission.

2. On April 7, 2015, a judgment was entered by consent against Weides, permanently enjoining him from future violations of Section 15(a) of the Exchange Act, in the civil action entitled Securities and Exchange Commission v. Collyard, et al., Civil Action No. 11-cv-3656, in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota.

3. The Commission’s complaint alleged that, from approximately 2003 to 2006, Weides solicited investors for Bixby Energy Systems, Inc. (“Bixby”), a privately held Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Ramsey, Minnesota. Specifically, the Commission’s complaint alleged that Weides sold over $1.9 million in Bixby securities to at least 28 investors. As compensation for his sale of these securities, Weides received at least $177,000 in transaction-based cash commissions. Furthermore, the complaint alleged that in or around 2010, Weides also acted as an intermediary in the sale of Bixby securities in several secondary market transactions. Finally, the complaint alleged that Weides, while acting as a broker or dealer, effected transactions in, and induced and attempted to induce the purchase or sale of securities, when he was not registered with the Commission as a broker or dealer or associated with an entity registered with the Commission as a broker or dealer.

IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent Weides’s Offer.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act that Respondent be, and hereby is:

barred from association with any broker, dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization; and

barred from participating in any offering of a penny stock, including: acting as a promoter, finder, consultant, agent or other person who engages in activities with a broker, dealer or issuer for purposes of the issuance or trading in any penny stock, or inducing or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of any penny stock.

Any reapplication for association by Respondent will be subject to the applicable laws and regulations governing the reentry process, and reentry may be conditioned upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the satisfaction of any or all of the following: (a) any
disgorgement ordered against Respondent, whether or not the Commission has fully or partially waived payment of such disgorgement; (b) any arbitration award related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; (c) any self-regulatory organization arbitration award to a customer, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; and (d) any restitution order by a self-regulatory organization, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order.

By the Commission.

Brent J. Fields
Secretary