ORDER DETERMINING WHISTLEBLOWER AWARD CLAIM

The Claims Review Staff ("CRS") issued a Preliminary Determination recommending that ("Claimant") receive a whistleblower award of more than $450,000, which represents percent (%) of the monetary sanctions collected, or to be collected, in the above-referenced Covered Action (the "Covered Action").

The recommendation of the CRS is adopted. The record demonstrates that Claimant voluntarily provided original information to the Commission that led to the successful enforcement of the Covered Action. ¹

In reaching this determination, the Commission considered that (i) Claimant provided important new information that prompted Commission staff to open an investigation into the alleged misconduct; (ii) Claimant provided substantial, ongoing assistance, including participating in voluntary interviews with Commission staff and providing voluminous important documents, and (iii) the charges brought by the Commission were based in significant part on conduct that was the subject of the information provided by Claimant.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that Claimant shall receive an award of *** percent (*** %) of the monetary sanctions collected or to be collected in the Covered Action.

By the Commission.

Vanessa A. Countryman
Secretary