UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Release No. 97683 / June 09, 2023

WHISTLEBLOWER AWARD PROCEEDING File No. 2023-66

In the Matter of the Claim for an Award

in connection with

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Notice of Covered Action

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ORDER DETERMINING WHISTLEBLOWER AWARD CLAIM

The Claims Review Staff ("CRS") issued a Preliminary Determination recommending that "Claimant" receive a whistleblower award of more than \$2.5 million, which is equal to percent ("%) of the monetary sanctions collected in the above-referenced Covered Action (the "Covered Action"). Claimant provided written notice of Claimant's decision not to contest the Preliminary Determination.

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

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¹ See Exchange Act Section 21F(b)(1), 15 U.S.C. § 78u-6(b)(1); Exchange Act Rule 21F-3(a), 17 C.F.R. § 240.21F-3(a).

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Claimant made multiple submissions, including early in the Covered Action investigation, which included both independent knowledge and independent analysis, and provided continuing assistance, including participating in calls with investigative staff for the Covered Action. Claimant's information significantly contributed to the success of the Covered Action by helping advance and expedite the Covered Action investigation.

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

By the Commission.

Vanessa A. Countryman Secretary

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