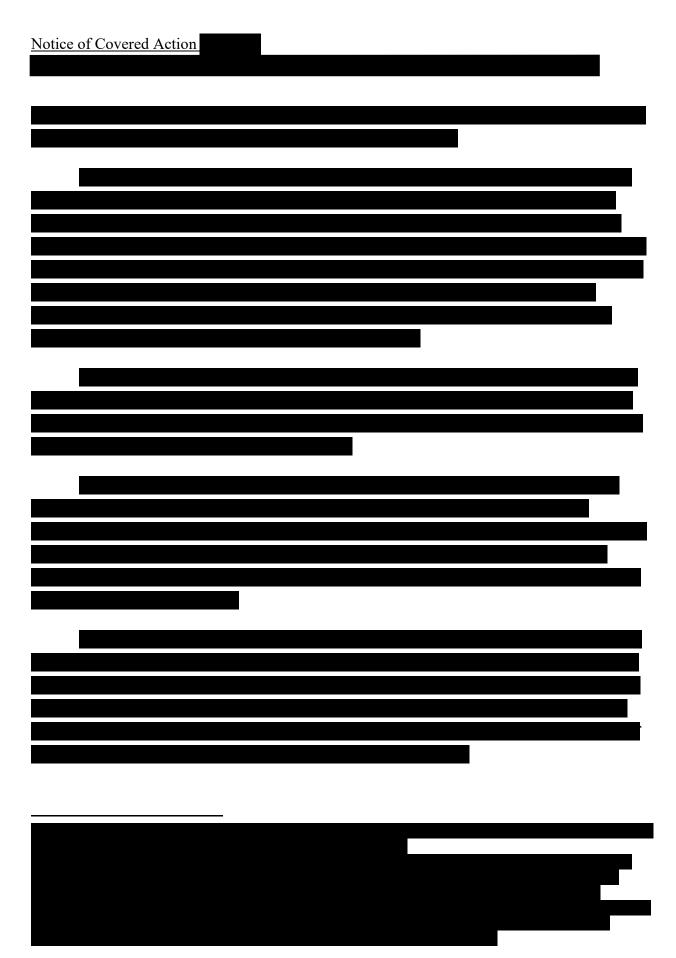
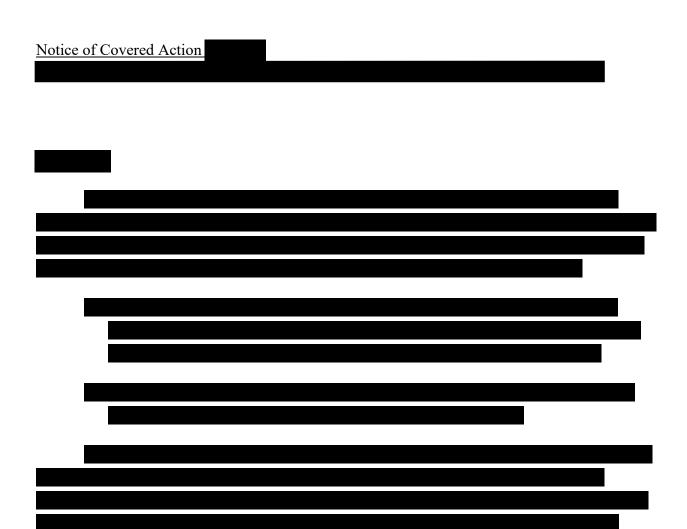
FINAL ORDER – THIS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION BECAME THE FINAL ORDER OF THE COMMISSION ON JANUARY 29, 2024, AS TO CLAIMANT 3, PURSUANT TO RULE 21F-10(f) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Notice of Covered Action
Reference Number: 01292024
PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS OF THE CLAIMS REVIEW STAFF
In response to the above-referenced Notice of Covered Action, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") received whistleblower award claims from claimants and ("Claimant 3") (collectively, "Claimants") for the above-referenced Covered Action. Pursuant to Section 21F of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 21F-10 promulgated thereunder, the Claims Review Staff ("CRS") has evaluated these claims in accordance with the criteria set forth in Rules 21F-1 through 21F-18. The CRS sets forth its Preliminary Determinations for the award claimants as follows.





Claimant 3

The CRS has preliminarily determined to recommend that the Commission deny an award to Claimant 3. No information submitted by Claimant 3 led to the successful enforcement of the Covered Action within the meaning of Section 21F(b)(1) of the Exchange Act and Rules 21F-3(a)(3) and 21F-4(c) because none of the information that Claimant 3 submitted:

- 1. caused the Commission to (i) commence an examination, (ii) open or reopen an investigation, or (iii) inquire into different conduct as part of a current Commission examination or investigation under Rule 21F-4(c)(1) of the Exchange Act; or
- 2. significantly contributed to the success of a Commission judicial or administrative enforcement action under Rule 21F-4(c)(2) of the Exchange Act.

In making this determination, the CRS notes that while the staff investigated Claimant 3's tip in a separate investigation, this investigation did not lead to a successful enforcement action, nor did Claimant 3's tip cause the staff to open the investigation that led to the Covered Action or significantly contribute to the Covered Action. Claimant 3's information focused on the Covered Action addressed.

Claimant 3's information was not used in, nor did it have any impact on, the charges brought by the Commission in the Covered Action.

By: Claims Review Staff
Date: November 27, 2023