UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 07-	81164-CIV-MAR	RA/JOHNSON
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, Plaintiff,)))	FILED by JC D.C.
v.)	DEC. 7, 2007
SEAN P. SHEEHAN, Defendant.)))	CLARENCE MADDOX CLERK U.S. DIST. CT. S.D. OF FLA. · MIAMI

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission alleges as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. This matter concerns a fraudulent scheme orchestrated by Defendant Sean P. Sheehan to manipulate the market for Compliance Resource Group, Inc. stock in violation of the federal securities laws.
- 2. In April 2007, Sheehan participated in a scheme in which he agreed to pay an illegal kickback to a purported West Palm Beach, Florida-based hedge fund advisor to induce the hedge fund to purchase shares of Compliance Resource stock. Unbeknownst to Sheehan, the person posing as the corrupt hedge fund investment advisor was actually an undercover FBI agent.
- 3. Sheehan contacted the agent to solicit interest in purchasing Compliance Resource stock. Sheehan orchestrated a plan by which he agreed to pay the agent posing as the investment adviser 30% of the proceeds from the hedge fund's purchase of Compliance Resource shares as a kickback.

- 4. By virtue of his conduct, Sheehan violated Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 77q(a); and Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b) and 17 C.F.R. §240.10b-5.
- 5. The Commission requests the Court to enter (1) a permanent injunction restraining and enjoining Sheehan from violating the federal securities laws, (2) an order directing Sheehan to pay civil money penalties, and (3) an order barring Sheehan from participating in any offering of penny stock.

II. DEFENDANT AND RELEVANT ENTITY

A. Defendant

6. Sheehan, 37, resides in Juno Beach, Florida. Sheehan was a registered representative at several broker-dealers in New York and South Florida between 1992 and 1997. In 1996, Sheehan was charged by the NASD with effecting transactions in customer accounts without their prior knowledge or authorization. He agreed to a settlement in which he was censured and fined \$7,500. For the last ten years, Sheehan has been in the business of buying shell companies to clean up and sell to others.

B. Relevant Entity

7. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Compliance Resource was a publicly traded company quoted on the Pink Sheets (symbol "CPLE"). In March 2007, Compliance Resource merged with EnerBrite. The company, now known as EnerBrite, is quoted on the Pink Sheets (symbol "ETGU"). The company markets energy management tools including occupancy sensing digital thermostats and lighting controls. In May 2007, Compliance Resource filed a Form 15 Certification and Notice of Termination of Registration with the Commission under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act.

8. Compliance Resource's stock is penny stock. Section 3(a)(51) and Rule 3a51-1 of the Exchange Act define a penny stock as any equity security, other than those securities that are specifically excluded in Rules 3a51-1(a)-(g). The Compliance Resource stock does not qualify for any of the exclusions, and at all times relevant to this Complaint was priced at less than \$5. In addition, it did not have net tangible assets or average revenues in excess of \$2,000,000 to qualify for the exclusion in Rule 3a51-1(g).

III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 9. The Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to Sections 20(d) and 22(a) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 77t(d) and 77v(a); and Sections 21(d) and 27 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78u(d) and 78aa.
- 10. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Sheehan, and venue is proper in the Southern District of Florida, because many of Sheehan's acts and transactions constituting violations of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act occurred in the Southern District of Florida. For example, the agent was located in West Palm Beach, Florida, and Sheehan resides in Juno Beach, Florida.
- 11. In connection with the conduct alleged in this Complaint, Sheehan, directly or indirectly, singly or in concert with others, has made use of the means or instrumentalities of interstate commerce, the means or instruments of transportation and communication in interstate commerce, and the mails.

IV. THE FRAUDULENT SCHEME

12. On April 24, 2007, Sheehan called the agent and asked whether he was interested in purchasing Compliance Resource stock. The shares were owned by an independent company

("Stock Owner"). Sheehan agreed to pay the agent 30% of the price the agent's hedge fund paid as a kickback to induce the purchase of these shares.

- 13. The agent informed Sheehan he owed a fiduciary duty to the hedge fund and therefore could not accept the kickback directly. Sheehan then agreed to create a phony consulting fee agreement to conceal the kickback.
- 14. Sheehan prepared the bogus consulting agreement between the Stock Owner and a fictitious consulting company created by the agent. Sheehan's company, Situation Management Group, Inc., was also listed as a consultant to be paid by the Stock Owner, presumably for having introduced the agent to the Stock Owner.
- 15. On April 20, 2007, the agent used an E-Trade account to purchase a total of 15,000 shares of Compliance Resource stock, which was reported to the market. During the purchase, Sheehan instructed the agent what price to bid and the number of shares. It appears Sheehan was working with a broker in arranging the matched trades.
- 16. These trades were publicly reported. Compliance Resource traded only 500 shares in the prior ten days, and the hedge fund's purchase constituted 49% of the volume on April 20, 2007.
- 17. On May 1, 2007, the agent received a letter from attorneys for the Stock Owner stating the consulting agreement was fraudulent and being rescinded. Therefore, despite having purchased Compliance Resource stock pursuant to a kickback arrangement, the agent was never paid the kickback and did not participate in any further transactions with Sheehan.

COUNT I

Fraud In Violation of Section 17(a)(1) of the Securities Act

18. The Commission repeats and realleges paragraphs 1 through 17 of its Complaint.

- 19. In April 2007, Sheehan directly and indirectly, by use of the, means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce and by use of the mails, in the offer or sale of securities, as described in this Complaint, knowingly, willfully or recklessly employed devices, schemes or artifices to defraud.
- 20. By reason of the foregoing, Sheehan, directly and indirectly, have violated and, unless enjoined, will continue to violate Section 17(a)(1) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. §77q(a).

COUNT II

Fraud in Violation of Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5 of the Exchange Act

- 21. The Commission repeats and realleges paragraphs 1 through 17 of its Complaint.
- 22. In April 2007, Sheehan, directly and indirectly, by use of the means and instrumentality of interstate commerce, and of the mails in connection with the purchase or sale of securities, knowingly, willfully or recklessly: (a) employed devices, schemes or artifices to defraud; (b) made untrue statements of material facts and omitted to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or (c) engaged in acts, practices and courses of business which have operated, are now operating and will operate as a fraud upon the purchasers of such securities.
- 23. By reason of the foregoing, Sheehan has directly or indirectly violated and, unless enjoined, will continue to violate Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b), and Rule 10b-5, 17 C.F.R. § 240.

RELIEF REQUESTED

WHEREFORE, the Commission respectfully requests that the Court:

I.

Declaratory Relief

Declare, determine, and find that Sheehan has committed the violations of the federal securities laws alleged in this Complaint.

II.

Permanent Injunctive Relief

Issue a Permanent Injunction restraining and enjoining Sheehan, his officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with him, from violating Section 17(a) of the Securities Act and Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5 of the Exchange Act, as indicated above.

III.

Penalty

Issue an Order directing Sheehan to pay civil money penalties pursuant to Section 20(d) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77t(d); and Section 21(d) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78(d)(3).

IV.

Penny Stock Bar

Issue an Order barring Sheehan from participating in any offering of penny stock, pursuant to Section 20(g) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77t(g), and Section 21(d) of the Exchange Act,15 U.S.C. § 78u(d), for the violations alleged in this Complaint.

V.

Further Relief

Grant such other and further relief as may be necessary and appropriate.

VI.

Retention of Jurisdiction

Further, the Commission respectfully requests that the Court retain jurisdiction over this action in order to implement and carry out the terms of all orders and decrees that it may enter, or to entertain any suitable application or motion by the Commission for additional relief within the jurisdiction of this Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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