## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-18421

In the Matter of

GREGORY JOHN TUTHILL,

Respondent.

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

I.

On April 4, 2018, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") instituted proceedings, pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), against Gregory John Tuthill ("Respondent").

II.

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, Respondent admits the Commission's jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of these proceedings, and the findings contained in Section III.3 below, and consents to the entry of this Order Making Findings and and Imposing Remedial Sanctions Pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Order"), as set forth below.

III.

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

1. Gregory John Tuthill, age 43, resides in Anaheim, California. He was an independent contractor with XO Marketing Solutions, Inc., a California corporation ("XO Marketing"). Through XO Marketing, Tuthill marketed and sold to investors securities in the form

of working interest in oil and gas drilling programs sponsored by Couch Oil & Gas, Inc. and Charles O. Couch. Tuthill has never been registered with the Commission in any capacity.

- 2. On September 29, 2008, the Wisconsin Division of Securities issued an Order of Prohibition against Tuthill for the offer and sale of unregistered securities by an unlicensed person in that state. *See In the Matter of Greg Tuthill*, September 29, 2008, Wisconsin Division of Securities.
- 3. On July 14, 2017, a Final Default Judgment was entered against Tuthill, permanently enjoining him from future violations of Sections 5(a) and 5(c) of the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act") and Section 15(a) of the Exchange Act in the civil action titled *Securities and Exchange Commission v. Robin G. Charlet, et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:17-CV-0139-D, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.
- 4. The Commission's complaint alleged that from at least September 2010 through January 2012, Tuthill, acted as an unregistered broker by soliciting investors, providing them with sales materials, closing sales, and discussing the merits of the proposed investments with investors. Additionally, Tuthill offered and sold securities in transactions that were not registered with the Commission and not subject to an applicable exemption from registration.

## IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent'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

Pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act Respondent be, and hereby is 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 the 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 the 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.

For the Commission, by its Secretary, pursuant to delegated authority.

Brent J. Fields Secretary