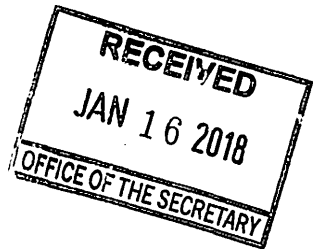


January 4, 2018

The Honorable Jason S. Patil  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549



No. 3-17316 in the Matter of Longwei Petroleum Investment Holding Limited

Dear Judge Patil,

Please read my attached letter to Judge Richard M. Berman, which explains Longwei Petroleum's predicament for the last five years. The letter to Judge Berman can be found on the docket below at 314; the resultant funding is on 319.

[https://www.pacermonitor.com/case/1156755/In\\_re\\_LONGWEI\\_PETROLEUM\\_INVESTMENT\\_HOLDING\\_LIMITED\\_SECURITIES\\_LITIGATION](https://www.pacermonitor.com/case/1156755/In_re_LONGWEI_PETROLEUM_INVESTMENT_HOLDING_LIMITED_SECURITIES_LITIGATION)

If the company or one of their attorneys has not contacted you, I am going to act as their representative considering that I am an over two percent shareholder. It is my understanding that Longwei Petroleum is currently pursuing a defamation lawsuit against the naked short-sellers that defamed them, based on current posts on their Facebook page. They indicated that it is to their advantage to try to get a settlement while the stock price is at a depressed level. The defamation lawsuit can be found on the second link in my letter to Judge Berman.

Longwei is under the impression that as a delisted company, they are not required to be current on their financial statements. They state: "According to SEC's Rules and Regulations, a delisted company is not obliged to file financial reports. Hiding financial data from the public generates little impact on day-to-day operations." See the link below for their statement (Part 2, #2). The full rebuttal to the short-sellers' claims can be accessed by clicking on their name.

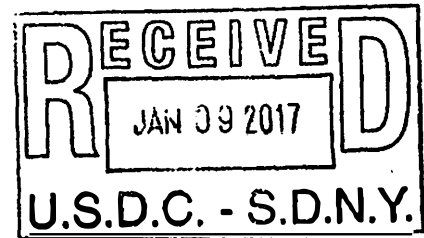
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Due to the ordeal that they have endured and because they genuinely believe that they do not have to file financial statements during this time of delisting, please cancel the proposed revocation of their securities. I have written a letter to the company with a copy of your release dated December 11, 2017 apprising them of the situation. I ask that your office also contact them so that they understand the seriousness of this lapse. The fact that they operate in China coupled with the language/cultural barrier makes this a very difficult situation for all concerned.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Richard Hamano – Shareholder and unaffiliated CPA

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January 3, 2017

The Honorable Richard M. Berman  
United States District Court for the Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007

**Re: *In re Longwei Petroleum Investment Holding Limited Securities Litigation***  
**(No. 13-cv-00214-RMB)**

Dear Judge Berman:

I write to you in hopes of expediting this lawsuit, which is entering its fifth year. By any standard, that is an inordinate amount of time for a securities lawsuit, even with Judge Baer's untimely passing.

The \$820K in the settlement fund is sufficient to pay \$.04 a share for the 8.4M damaged shares, with the remainder going to the attorneys. If the full \$1.34M is procured, claimants would receive about \$.10 a share.

It is understandable that the People's Insurance Company of China would not be willing to settle because short-sellers who defame a company in China would be imprisoned. Here, they are protected under freedom of speech and everybody else suffers.

Longwei Petroleum is a thriving company as outlined in their financial recap below (see first link). There is little doubt that naked short-sellers conspired to devalue the company's stock. In fact, Longwei still has a defamation lawsuit against the short-sellers that allows them to file the suit again (second link).

<https://www.facebook.com/longwei.petroleum/posts/136510470016101>

[http://a.eqcdn.com/longweipetroleum/files/defamation\\_lawsuit.pdf](http://a.eqcdn.com/longweipetroleum/files/defamation_lawsuit.pdf)

After four years of litigation, the company deserves to be able to put this behind them and clear their name. As you know, Longwei was excluded from the lawsuit in 2014, but they have remained anonymous lest they be dragged back into it. They plan to issue annual dividends of \$.30 (first link), which would be the best remedy for aggrieved shareholders. With all due respect, I implore you to settle this case, as is, if the remaining funds are not procured.

Naked short-sellers are still shorting this stock (most recently on December 20, 2016 at \$.0071 and \$.005), and currently hold millions of short shares. It is illegal to short shares in the grey market, let alone hold naked, short shares for over four years. Longwei's re-emergence will surely bankrupt these short-sellers; the investing public would benefit and shareholders would receive some measure of justice.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Hamano CPA - CA #82210

Check to docket.  
Richard M. Berman  
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January 17, 2017

**VIA ECF**

The Honorable Richard M. Berman  
United States District Court for the Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007

**Re: *In re Longwei Petroleum Investment Holding Limited Securities Litigation***  
***(No. 13-cv-00214-RMB)***

Dear Judge Berman:

The parties write to provide the good news that The People's Insurance Company of China ("PICC") has confirmed approval by the Claims Department of its Head Office to funding the remaining \$520,000 amount of the \$1,340,000 settlement agreed to by the parties to this litigation. Specifically, this confirmation was received in written correspondence from PICC to defense counsel. PICC's representative with respect to this claim, Mr. Chen Heng, has requested that PICC be permitted until January 27, 2017 to complete the transfer of funds into the Settlement Account. Mr. Heng also represented that he would try to expedite payment, if possible.

The parties join in PICC's request that it be permitted until January 27, 2017 to complete funding of the Settlement Amount. It is the view of the parties that settlement of this action, in the amount previously negotiated and agreed to is in the best interest of all involved including, most importantly, the plaintiff settlement class.

We appreciate the Court's consideration of this request and its patience as we work to achieve full funding of the settlement.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Steven S. Kaufhold

Steven S. Kaufhold, Kaufhold Gaskin LLP

/s/ Stuart J. Guber

Stuart J. Guber, Faruqi & Faruqi LLP

Cc: All Counsel (via ECF only)