UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

KINETIC INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC and MICHAEL SCOTT WILLIAMS,

CASE NO.: 8:20-cv-394

Defendants, and

KINETIC FUNDS I, LLC, KCL SERVICES, LLC d/b/a LENDACY, SCIPIO, LLC, LF 42, LLC, EL MORRO FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC, and KIH, INC., f/k/a KINETIC INTERNATIONAL, LLC,

Relief Defendants.

CLAIMS PROCESS INSTRUCTIONS

TO ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WITH CLAIMS AGAINST THE DEFENDANTS AND/OR RELIEF DEFENDANTS:

On February 20, 2020, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") initiated this action against the Defendants and Relief Defendants seeking emergency relief to stop a fraudulent securities offering and requested that the Court appoint a Receiver. As a result of this action, the Court appointed Mark A. Kornfeld as Receiver over the assets of Defendants Kinetic Investment Group, LLC and Relief Defendants (collectively, the "Receivership Entities").

The Receiver and his professionals have spent considerable time and resources examining voluminous documents relating to the Receivership Entities. Based on this examination and to the extent possible, the Receiver has determined a "**Net Investment Amount**" for substantially all of the known investors. The Net Investment Amount for an investor is calculated by adding all amounts contributed by the pertinent investor and subtracting all payments made to that investor and/or in connection with that investment, regardless of whether those payments were characterized as "interest," "earnings," "returns or redemptions of principal," "incentive fees," "referral fees," or any other terminology. This calculation also factors in an investor's receipt of, and any out-of-pocket payments made towards, any loan from Relief Defendant KCL Services, LLC d/b/a Lendacy. For example, an investor who invested total funds of \$100,000, received a Lendacy loan of \$60,000, and received \$10,000 in distributions in connection with that investment Amount of \$30,000. If an investor made multiple investments over time, those investments and any and all transfers to that investor related to

those investments would be combined in one Net Investment Amount. For example, an investor who invested \$10,000 in January 2016, received "interest" payments in the total amount of \$2,000 on this investment and also invested \$40,000 in November 2016 and received "interest" payments in the total amount of \$8,000 on that investment would have a total investment amount of \$50,000 and total payments of \$10,000 for a resulting Net Investment Amount of \$40,000.

The Net Investment Amount will serve as the basis for determining the recipients and amounts of distributions for victim investors. By identifying and providing a Net Investment Amount (as may be provided in the Proof of Claim Forms mailed to investors where the Receiver has determined to do so), the Receiver does not waive any right to (1) deny, contest the validity of, or otherwise object to a claim or (2) if warranted, amend the provided Net Investment Amount. If amendment of a Net Investment Amount is warranted, the Receiver will provide notice of the amendment to the affected investor and give the investor an opportunity to respond.

On November 5, 2020, the Court entered an Order establishing <u>February 15, 2021</u> (the "Claim Bar Date") as the last date for each person or entity (including individuals, partnerships, corporations, joint venturers, estates, trusts, and governmental units) to submit a claim against the Receivership Entities.

Any person or entity that submits a claim submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida for all purposes, including, without limitation, as to any claims, objections, defenses, or counterclaims that could be or have been asserted by the Receiver against such Claimant or the holder of such claim in connection with this Receivership, including those arising out of (1) any dealing or business transacted by or with any Receivership Entity or (2) any dealing or business transacted that relates in any way to any Receivership property. Further, Claimants waive any right to a jury trial with respect to such claims, objections, defenses, and counterclaims.

The Claim Bar Date and the procedures set forth below for filing a claim apply to all creditors and victims of the Oasis scheme.

1. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM

If you think that you are owed money by any of the Receivership Entities or that you may otherwise have a claim against them, you **MUST** file a Proof of Claim Form to share in distributions from the Receivership. A claim based on acts or omissions of any Receivership Entity must be filed on or before the Claim Bar Date, even if such claim is not now mature, fixed, liquidated, or certain, or does not become mature, fixed, liquidated, or certain before the Claim Bar Date.

2. WHAT TO FILE

To make the process less burdensome for investors, the Court authorized the Receiver to provide a Net Investment Amount on an attachment to the Proof of Claim Form for each investor for whom the Receiver has sufficient reliable information to do so. If you were provided a Net Investment Amount on the attachment to the Proof of Claim Form you received and you agree with the amounts identified, then you do not need to provide to the Receiver any documentation supporting your claim. However, you **must** still complete and sign the Proof of Claim Form under penalty of perjury and return it to the Receiver so that it is **received** on or before the Claim Bar Date, as specified in section 3 below.

If you disagree with the Net Investment Amount provided on the attachment to the Proof of Claim Form that you received or no Net Investment Amount was identified on the attachment to the Proof of Claim Form, you must provide to the Receiver by the Claim Bar Date (1) the amounts you contend are the correct amounts you invested in and received from any Receivership Entity and (2) legible copies of all documents on which you base your claim or, if documents are not available, a detailed explanation as to why the documents are not available.

If you were not an investor but believe you are or may be a creditor of one or more of the Receivership Entities, you must provide to the Receiver by the Claim Bar Date (1) the amount you contend you are owed from any Receivership Entity; (2) any amounts received from any Receivership Entity; and (3) legible copies of all documents on which you base your claim (i.e., all invoices for goods or services provided, loan documents, etc., as applicable) or, if documents are not available, a detailed explanation as to why the documents are not available.

If you invested in your individual name and also in the name of your individual retirement account ("IRA") or jointly with another individual, you will receive multiple Proof of Claim Forms. You **must** complete, sign, and return each Proof of Claim Form you receive to preserve all of your claims. Failure to timely return a completed and signed Proof of Claim Form for a claim will forever bar any claim related to that investment.

If the Receiver discovers that the Net Investment Amount provided on an attachment to the Proof of Claim Form is not accurate, the Receiver will amend the Net Investment Amount and provide notice of the amendment to the investor. The investor then will have the later of either (1) the Claim Bar Date or (2) thirty (30) days from the date the notice was provided to the investor to return an amended Proof of Claim Form to the Receiver. Failure to timely return a completed and signed amended Proof of Claim Form for a claim will forever bar any claim related to that investment.

Similarly, subject to the Receiver's discretion, the Receiver may send notice of a deficiency in a submitted Proof of Claim Form to you. You will then have the later of either the Claim Bar Date or thirty (30) days from the date the notice of deficiency was provided to you to correct the deficiency as directed by the Receiver. The Receiver also reserves the right to request additional information from any Claimant. If you receive a request for additional information, you will have the same amount of time as is allowed for curing a deficiency to provide the additional information requested. Failure to cure a deficiency or provide additional information may result in denial of your claim.

Each Proof of Claim Form submitted **must** conform substantially to the Proof of Claim Form approved by the Court and provide responses to all of the questions in the Proof of Claim Form that either (1) was mailed to you along with these Instructions or (2), if you have not received one by mail, was posted on the Receiver's website at <u>www.kineticreceivership.com</u>. A copy of a Proof of Claim Form also may be obtained from Rebecca Wilt, Quarles & Brady LLP, 101 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3400, Tampa, FL 33602, (813) 387-0277.

Each Proof of Claim Form submitted **must** be signed under penalty of perjury by the Claimant or, if the Claimant is not an individual, by an authorized agent of the Claimant. By signing the Proof of Claim Form the Claimant attests that all information, including any information provided by the Receiver is true and correct. Each Proof of Claim Form **must** be legible, written in English, and denominated in United States currency.

It is your sole responsibility to advise the Receiver of any change to your mailing address, email address, and telephone number after you submit a claim to ensure that you receive any and all future communications regarding your claim, including any possible distribution payment you may be entitled to receive.

The Receiver will recommend to the Court that any properly completed and timely filed claim be considered allowed if it is established that: (1) the claim arises from or in connection with the fraudulent investment scheme set forth in the complaint filed by the SEC in this action; (2) losses recognized by law resulted from such activities; (3) any alleged claim and losses are supported by appropriate documentation and are consistent with the books and records available to the Receiver; and (4) no ground exists for denying the claim.

3. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE

Except as provided for herein, original Proof of Claim Forms must be delivered by mail or otherwise so as to be **received on or before February 15, 2021** at the following address:

Mark A. Kornfeld, as Receiver c/o Jordan D. Maglich, Esq. Quarles & Brady LLP 101 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3400 Tampa, FL 33602 DO NOT SEND YOUR PROOF OF CLAIM FORM TO THE COURT OR JUDGE PRESIDING OVER THIS CASE.

Facsimile and email copies of Proof of Claim Forms will be accepted only if received by the Receiver on or before the Claim Bar Date and the <u>original</u> executed Proof of Claim Form is received by the Receiver no later than three (3) days after transmission of the facsimile and/or email. Failure to provide an original executed Proof of Claim Form within the time specified may result in denial of the claim. Facsimile copies must be sent to (813) 387-1800 to the attention of Mark A. Kornfeld, Receiver c/o Jordan D. Maglich, and email copies must be sent to rebecca.wilt@quarles.com. It is the Claimant's responsibility to ensure that Proof of Claim Forms are delivered to the Receiver.

4. CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE A CLAIM BY THE BAR DATE

ANY HOLDER OF A CLAIM OR POTENTIAL CLAIM THAT FAILS TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM (1) THAT FULLY COMPLIES WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH HEREIN **AND** (2) BY THE CLAIM BAR DATE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED, ESTOPPED, AND ENJOINED FROM ASSERTING SUCH CLAIM AGAINST THE RECEIVERSHIP ENTITIES, THEIR SUCCESSORS, THEIR RESPECTIVE PROPERTY, THE RECEIVER, OR THE RECEIVERSHIP, AND FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY DISTRIBUTION FROM THIS RECEIVERSHIP.

A holder of a claim or potential claim against a Receivership Entity may wish to consult an attorney regarding this claims process. The firm of Quarles & Brady LLP acts as attorneys for the Receiver and its lawyers cannot give personal legal or other advice to Claimants.

Dated November 17, 2020, Tampa, Florida.