UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 20-CV-81205-RAR

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

COMPLETE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS GROUP,
INC. d/b/a/ PAR FUNDING, et al.,

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NOTICE OF SELECTION OF MEDIATOR

Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission hereby provides Notice that the mediator will be Harry R. Schafer, Esq., 2775 N. W. 49th Avenue, Unit 205 #413, Ocala, FL 34482, Phone: (305) 439-4285, harryrschafer@gmail.com.

Mediation will occur on December 7, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom. Mediation will be attended by the following eight parties to this case: Defendants Lisa McElhone, Joseph Cole Barleta, Joseph W. LaForte, Perry S. Abbonizio, Dean J. Vagnozzi and Michael C. Furman; Relief Defendant The LME 2017 Family Trust; and Plaintiff SEC. Pursuant to the prior motions to stay and related Orders, Defendant John Gissas and the Receiver will not be mediating because we have reached a tentative settlement without the need for mediation.

The Commission agrees to the mediator and date, subject to the execution of the required retainer and other agreements between the mediator and the Commission which we will work to obtain.   Defendants Lisa McElhone,   Joseph   Cole Barleta,   Joseph   W. LaForte,   Perry S. Abbonizion, Dean J. Vagnozzi and Michael C. Furman, and Relief Defendant The LME 2017

Family Trust have also agreed for Mr. Schafer to mediate and for the mediation conference to

occur December 7.

November 5, 2020   Respectfully submitted,

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<u>**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served this 5th day

of November 2020 via cm-ecf on all defense counsel in this case.

                              <u>s/ Amie Riggle Berlin</u>
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