THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET LLC NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AWC

Certified, Return Receipt Requested

- TO: Aegis Capital Corp. Mr. David S. Hentschel Chief Compliance Officer 810 7th Avenue 18th & 22nd Floor New York, NY 10019
- FROM: The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") c/o Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") Department of Market Regulation 9509 Key West Avenue Rockville, MD 20850
- DATE: September 20, 2017

RE: Notice of Acceptance of Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent No. 20150480820-01

Please be advised that your above-referenced Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent ("AWC") has been accepted on **September 20, 2017** by the Nasdaq Review Council's Review Subcommittee, or by the Office of Disciplinary Affairs on behalf of the Nasdaq Review Council, pursuant to Nasdaq Rule 9216. A copy of the AWC is enclosed herewith.

You are again reminded of your obligation, if currently registered, immediately to update your Uniform Application for Broker-Dealer Registration ("Form BD") to reflect the conclusion of this disciplinary action. Additionally, you must also notify FINRA (or NASDAQ if you are not a member of FINRA) in writing of any change of address or other changes required to be made to your Form BD.

You will be notified by the Registration and Disclosure Department regarding sanctions if a suspension has been imposed and by NASDAQ's Finance Department regarding the payment of any fine if a fine has been imposed.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Dawn E. Faris, Senior Counsel, at (240) 386-6219.

James J. Nixon Chief Litigation Counsel, Legal Section Department of Market Regulation

Signed on behalf of NASDAQ

Enclosure

FINRA District 10 – New York Michael Solomon Senior Vice President and Regional Director (Via email)

THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET LLC LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER AND CONSENT NO. <u>201504808</u>20-01

- TO: The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC c/o Department of Market Regulation Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA")
- RE: Aegis Capital Corp., Respondent Broker-Dealer CRD No. 15007

Α.

Pursuant to Rule 9216 of The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") Code of Procedure, Aegis Capital Corp. (the "firm") submits this Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent ("AWC") for the purpose of proposing a settlement of the alleged rule violations described below. This AWC is submitted on the condition that, if accepted, Nasdaq will not bring any future actions against the firm alleging violations based on the same factual findings described herein.

Ι.

ACCEPTANCE AND CONSENT

The firm hereby accepts and consents, without admitting or denying the findings, and solely for the purposes of this proceeding and any other proceeding brought by or on behalf of Nasdaq, or to which Nasdaq is a party, prior to a hearing and without an adjudication of any issue of law or fact, to the entry of the following findings by Nasdaq:

BACKGROUND

The firm has been a member of Nasdaq since July 12, 2006 and its registration remains in effect.

RELEVANT PRIOR DISCIPLINARY HISTORY

On June 5, 2015, FINRA accepted an AWC in which the firm was censured and fined \$85,000 of which \$15,000 related, in relevant part, to the firm's violations of the limit order display requirements of FINRA Rule 6460 with respect to OTC Equity Securities during the first quarter 2012 and first quarter 2013.

On October 15, 2014, Nasdaq accepted an AWC in which the firm was censured and fined \$39,500 of which \$24,500 related to the firm's violations of the limit order display requirements of Rule 604 of Regulation NMS ("Rule 604") during the fourth quarter 2011, third quarter 2012 and second quarter 2013, and \$15,000 concerned related supervisory findings for Rule 604 compliance under Nasdaq Rules 3010 and 2010A. The firm also entered into an undertaking to update the firm's written supervisory procedures for Rule 604 compliance.

SUMMARY

In Matter No. 20150480820, FINRA's Market Analysis Section staff reviewed the firm's compliance with Rule 604 and related Nasdaq supervision requirements during the third and fourth quarter of 2015. As described further below, during the third quarter 2015 the firm violated Rule 604.

FACTS AND VIOLATIVE CONDUCT

1. During the period of July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015, the firm failed to display immediately 37 customer limit orders in listed securities in its public quotation, when each such order was at a price that would have improved the firm's bid or offer in each such security; or when the order was priced equal to the firm's bid or offer and the national best bid or offer for each such security, and the size of the order represented more than a *de minimis* change in relation to the size associated with the firm's bid or offer in each such security. The conduct described in this paragraph constitutes separate and distinct violations of SEC Rule 604 of Regulation NMS.

B. The firm also consents to the imposition of the following sanctions:

A censure and a fine of \$15,000.

The firm agrees to pay the monetary sanction(s) in accordance with its executed Election of Payment Form.

The firm specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim that it is unable to pay, now or at any time hereafter, the monetary sanction(s) imposed in this matter.

The sanctions imposed herein shall be effective on a date set by FINRA staff.

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WAIVER OF PROCEDURAL RIGHTS

The firm specifically and voluntarily waives the following rights granted under Nasdaq's Code of Procedure:

- A. To have a Formal Complaint issued specifying the allegations against the firm;
- B. To be notified of the Formal Complaint and have the opportunity to answer the allegations in writing;
- C. To defend against the allegations in a disciplinary hearing before a hearing panel, to have a written record of the hearing made and to have a written decision issued; and

D. To appeal any such decision to the Nasdaq Review Council and then to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and a U.S. Court of Appeals.

Further, the firm specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim bias or prejudgment of the Chief Regulatory Officer, the Nasdaq Review Council, or any member of the Nasdaq Review Council, in connection with such person's or body's participation in discussions regarding the terms and conditions of this AWC, or other consideration of this AWC, including acceptance or rejection of this AWC.

The firm further specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim that a person violated the ex parte prohibitions of Rule 9143 or the separation of functions prohibitions of Rule 9144, in connection with such person's or body's participation in discussions regarding the terms and conditions of this AWC, or other consideration of this AWC, including its acceptance or rejection.

III.

OTHER MATTERS

The firm understands that:

- A. Submission of this AWC is voluntary and will not resolve this matter unless and until it has been reviewed and accepted by FINRA's Department of Market Regulation and the Nasdaq Review Council, the Review Subcommittee, or the Office of Disciplinary Affairs ("ODA"), pursuant to Nasdaq Rule 9216;
- B. If this AWC is not accepted, its submission will not be used as evidence to prove any of the allegations against the firm; and
- C. If accepted:
 - 1. this AWC will become part of the firm's permanent disciplinary record and may be considered in any future actions brought by Nasdaq or any other regulator against the firm;
 - 2. Nasdaq may release this AWC or make a public announcement concerning this agreement and the subject matter thereof in accordance with Nasdaq Rule 8310 and IM-8310-3; and
 - 3. The firm may not take any action or make or permit to be made any public statement, including in regulatory filings or otherwise, denying, directly or indirectly, any finding in this AWC or create the impression that the AWC is without factual basis. The firm may not take any position in any proceeding brought by or on behalf of Nasdaq, or to which Nasdaq is a party, that is inconsistent with any part of this AWC. Nothing in this provision affects the firm's right to take legal or factual positions in litigation or other legal proceedings in which Nasdaq is not a party.

D. The firm may attach a Corrective Action Statement to this AWC that is a statement of demonstrable corrective steps taken to prevent future misconduct. The firm understands that it may not deny the charges or make any statement that is inconsistent with the AWC in this Statement. This Statement does not constitute factual or legal findings by Nasdaq, nor does it reflect the views of Nasdaq or its staff.

The undersigned, on behalf of the firm, certifies that a person duly authorized to act on its behalf has read and understands all of the provisions of this AWC and has been given a full opportunity to ask questions about it; that it has agreed to the AWC's provisions voluntarily; and that no offer, threat, inducement, or promise of any kind, other than the terms set forth herein and the prospect of avoiding the issuance of a Complaint, has been made to induce the firm to submit it.

Date

Aegis Capital Corp.

Respondent

Name: DAV 1d Title: chief

Reviewed by:

Counsel for Respondent Firm Name Address City/State/Zip Phone Number

Accepted by Nasdaq:

Scptembr- 20, 2017 Date

James J. Nixon Chief Litigation Counsel Department of Market Regulation

Signed on behalf of Nasdaq, by delegated authority from the Director of ODA

ELECTION OF PAYMENT FORM

The firm intends to pay the fine proposed in the attached Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent by the following method (check one):

A firm check or bank check for the full amount

Wire transfer

Respectfully submitted,

9/7/2017

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Date

Respondent

Aegis Capital Corp.

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Billing and Payment Contact

Please enter the billing contact information below. Nasdaq MarketWatch will contact you with billing options and payment instructions. *Please DO NOT submit payment until Nasdaq has sent you an invoice.*

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