UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE:

COMMODITY EXCHANGE, INC., GOLD FUTURES AND OPTIONS TRADING LITIGATION

This Document Relates To All Actions

Case No. 14-MD-2548 (VEC) 14-MC-2548 (VEC)

Hon. Valerie E. Caproni

<u>DECLARATION OF JUSTIN R. HUGHES REGARDING REQUESTS FOR</u> EXCLUSION FROM THE THIRD SETTLEMENT

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Justin R. Hughes, declare as follows:

- 1. I am a Senior Director at Kroll Settlement Administration ("Kroll") f/k/a Heffler Claims Group LLC. This Declaration is based upon my personal knowledge as well as information provided to me by my associates and staff.
- 2. Through the April 19, 2022, the deadline for the receipt of exclusion requests, Kroll has received the following requests in connection with the Third Settlement Agreement:
 - a. Gordon R. Hauglie & Joan M. Hauglie An exclusion request was filed by Gordon R. Hauglie & Joan M. Hauglie that was received by Kroll on March 11, 2022.
 - b. Yvonne McKown An exclusion request was filed by Yvonne McKown that was received by Kroll on March 24, 2022. It was clarified in follow-up correspondence dated April 21, 2022, that Ms. McKown wanted to opt-out of all three settlements.

- c. Banco Central de Bolivia An exclusion request was filed by the Banco Central de Bolivia. Kroll received a copy of two letters by two separate e-mails received on April 19, 2022 and received the physical copy of the letters on April 27, 2022.
- 3. As of the date of this declaration, no additional requests for exclusion have been received.

I declare under the penalty of perjury, under the laws of the United States of America, that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on July 15, 2022 in Oakland, California.

Justin R. Hughes