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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

### DISTRICT OF OREGON

# PORTLAND DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

CASE NO. 3:16-cv-00438-PK

Plaintiff,

v.

AEQUITAS MANAGEMENT, LLC; AEQUITAS HOLDINGS, LLC; AEQUITAS COMMERCIAL FINANCE,LLC;AEQUITASCAPITAL MANAGEMENT,INC.; AEQUITAS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC; ROBERT J. JESENIK; BRIAN A. OLIVER; and N. SCOTT GILLIS, INVESTOR OBJECTIONS TO MOTIONS FOR RELIEF FROM STAY OF DEFENDANTS BRIAN OLIVER, SCOTT GILLIS AND ROBERT JESENIK

Defendants.

A group of Aequitas investors, Carolyn Harris and others, objects to the motions for relief from stay of defendants Robert Jesenik (Docket No. 499), and Brian Oliver and Scott Gillis (Docket No. 496). The objecting investors join in the Receivership Entity's Opposition to Robert J. Jesenik's Motion for Relief From Receivership Order (Docket No. 527). The investors filing this objection have suffered Aequitas investment losses of approximately \$45 million, and are identified at pages 3-5 of the August 10, 2017 letter from Robert S. Banks, Jr. to Troy D.

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Greenfield, which is attached as Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Troy D. Greenfield (Docket No.528). As described in that letter, these objecting investors have asserted claims against the defendants, including the moving defendants Jesenik, Oliver and Gillis.

The investors have been prevented from pursuing their claims against defendants for one and one-half years as a result of this Court's Order Appointing Receiver (Docket No. 156) and the litigation stay provided for in paragraph 20 of that Order. Unless this court denies the defendants' motions and grants the relief requested by the Receiver, any remaining insurance assets which might otherwise be used to partially satisfy any judgment or settlement of the claims of the Aequitas investors will be wasted before the investors' claims can be resolved. The objecting investors urge the Court to grant the relief requested by the Receiver.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

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