## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE JPMORGAN PRECIOUS METALS SPOOFING | Case No. 1:18-cv-10356 LITIGATION

Hon. Gregory H. Woods

## DECLARATION OF JACK EWASHKO ON BEHALF OF A.B. DATA, LTD. **REGARDING NOTICE ADMINISTRATION**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746, I, Jack Ewashko, declare as follows:

- 1. I am a Client Services Director of A.B. Data, Ltd.'s Class Action Administration Company ("A.B. Data" or "Settlement Administrator"). I am over 21 years of age and am not a party to the above-captioned action ("Action"). My business address is 600 A.B. Data Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53217, and my telephone number is 414-961-7555. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and, if called as a witness, could and would testify competently thereto.
- 2. Pursuant to the Order Preliminarily Approving Proposed Settlement, Scheduling Hearing for Final Approval Thereof, and Approving the Proposed Form and Program of Notice to the Class entered by the Court on December 20, 2021 (the "Preliminary Approval Order"), A.B. Data was authorized to act as the Settlement Administrator in connection with the Settlement of this Action.
- 3. I respectfully submit this Declaration pursuant to paragraph seventeen (17) of the Preliminary Approval Order to provide the Court with information regarding A.B. Data's execution of the Court-approved plan of notice, including the mailing of the Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement, July 7, 2022 Fairness Hearing Thereon and Class Members' Rights (the "Notice") and Proof of Claim and Release (collectively with the Notice, the "Notice Packet"), the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms have the meanings set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated September 1, 2021 (the "Settlement Agreement"). ECF No. 79-1.

publication of Summary Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement (the "Publication Notice"), the establishment and maintenance of a website, and other administrative activities.

- 4. Pursuant to Paragraphs 12-15 of the Preliminary Approval Order, the Court directed A.B. Data to execute the Court-approved plan of notice, which consisted of the following:
  - A. Disseminating copies of the Notice Packet to potential Class Members, including:

    (i) NYMEX and COMEX clearing members that cleared Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures (with the direction that such clearing firms should forward the Settlement Class Notice to persons who transacted in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period); (ii) "Large traders" in Precious Metals Futures on the COMEX and NYMEX during the Class Period whose names and addresses have been identified by a subpoena to the CME Group, Inc; (iii) A.B. Data's proprietary list of banks, brokers, and other investors with instructions to either (a) forward the Notice Packet on to their customers that transacted in Precious Metals and Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period or (b) provide a customer list that A.B. Data can notify directly.
  - B. Releasing the Publication Notice via print media (*The Wall Street Journal*, Investor's Business Daily, Financial Times, Stocks & Commodities, Le Journal de Montreal and National Post), digital media (including geo-targeting in the United States and Canada, and a separate global campaign), and earned media through a press release issued to the news desks of approximately 25,000 newsrooms, including those of print, broadcast, and digital websites across the United States and to major financial markets in Canada, South America, Europe, and Asia.
  - C. Establishing a case-specific website, which hosts an online claim submission portal and made available copies of the Notice, Proof of Claim and Release, Publication Notice, and other case-related documents in downloadable form at PreciousMetalsFuturesClassActionSettlement.com.

#### **DIRECT MAIL NOTICE**

5. On or about September 22, 2021, A.B. Data received from Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. ("Class Counsel") files containing 15,502 names of: (a) NYMEX and COMEX clearing members and futures commission merchants ("FCMs") that cleared Precious Metals Futures and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Large traders" are defined as those who are required to report under Part 17 of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's (CFTC) regulations. Current reporting levels are found in the CFTC Regulation 15.03(b).

Options on Precious Metals Futures transactions during the Class Period and (b) "Large Traders" in Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures contract(s) on the CME during the Class Period. The data received was electronically processed by A.B. Data to ensure adequate address formatting and the elimination of duplicate names and addresses. The names and addresses were then loaded to a segregated database created for this Action (the "A.B. Data Mailing Database").

- 6. Where names of potential Class Members were provided with incomplete addresses, A.B. Data undertook research to identify addresses. Such research included utilizing a database maintained by A.B. Data of the largest banks, brokerage houses and clearing firms, and members of the International Swaps and Derivatives Association ("ISDA").
- 7. A.B. Data also maintains a proprietary database with names and addresses of the largest and most common banks, brokers, and other nominees (the "Record Holder Mailing Database"). At the time of the initial mailing, the Record Holder Mailing Database contained 4,150 mailing records.
- 8. A.B. Data electronically processed the data referenced in ¶¶ 5–7 above to ensure adequate address formatting and the elimination of duplicate names and addresses, resulting in 12,802 distinct records for mailing (the "Initial Mailing List"). A.B. Data standardized and updated the Initial Mailing List addresses using NCOALink®, a national database of address changes that is compiled by the United States Postal Service (the "USPS").
- 9. A.B. Data also received a list of 49 names and addresses from a third-party nominee during the initial mailing process.
- 10. Pursuant to Paragraph 12 of the Preliminary Approval Order, by February 3, 2022, A.B. Data caused 17,001 Notice Packets to be mailed via first-class mail, postage prepaid, to

persons and entities on the Initial Mailing List. *See* ¶¶ 5–7, *supra*. Through the date of this Declaration, A.B. Data has also received requests from brokers and other nominees for 12,250 Notice Packets that the requestor intend to forward to customers or clients who may be Class Members. A true and accurate copy of the Notice Packet is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

- 11. As of the date of this Declaration, 343 Notice Packets were returned by the USPS to A.B. Data as undeliverable as addressed ("UAA"). In order to obtain an updated address, the 343 returned UAA were processed through Transunion. Of these, 125 new addresses were obtained, and A.B. Data promptly re-mailed the Notice Packets to these potential Class Members.
- 12. As of the date of this Declaration, A.B. Data has mailed 29,251 Notice Packets to potential Class Members.

#### MEDIA NOTICE

- 13. In accordance with Paragraph 13 of the Preliminary Approval Order, A.B. Data utilized paid, digital and earned media to reach Class Members as set forth below.
- 14. A.B. Data caused the Publication Notice to be published in the United States print editions of *The Wall Street Journal, Investor's Business Daily, Stocks & Commodities*, Canadian print editions of the *Le Journal de Montreal and National Post*, and the global edition of *Financial Times* on February 3, 2022. A copy of the Publication Notice that appeared in United States and Canada is attached hereto as Exhibit B and C.
- 15. Starting on or about January 10, 2022, A.B. Data began running a 30-day digital media campaign publicizing the Settlement, which resulted in at least 258 million impressions among the targeted audience. Websites utilized in the digital media campaign include, among others, in the United States Foxbusiness.com, Nasdaq.com, Reuters.com, and WSJ.com, within Canada, boursier.com, lactualite.com, fr.finance.yahoo.com, candianbusiness.com and

stocktrades, and globally TheStar.com, Bloomberg.com and MarketWatch.com. Banner advertisements were placed in premium positioning on multiple devices, including desktop, tablet, and mobile devices. Viewers were able to click on the banner advertisement and instantly be directed to the case-specific settlement website. Copies of the banner advertisements are attached hereto as Exhibit D.

16. On or about January 31, 2022, A.B. Data began utilizing microtargeting strategies on social media (LinkedIn and Twitter) to identify and engage potential Class Members. A sample copy of the newsfeed advertisement used as part of the microtargeting strategies is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

#### **WEBSITE**

- 17. In accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order, on or before February 3, 2022, A.B. Data established for the above-captioned Action the case-specific website, PreciousMetalsFuturesClassActionSettlement.com. The website lists, among other things, the exclusion deadline, the date and time of the Fairness Hearing, and general information regarding the case and its current status. The website also provides answers to frequently asked questions. Users of the website can view and download copies of the Notice (in English and French-Canadian), the Proof of Claim and Release, Publication Notice (in English and French-Canadian), the Distribution Plan, and copies of other court documents. A true and accurate copy of the website home page is attached as Exhibit F.
- 18. Additionally, the website includes an email address (info@PreciousMetalsFuturesClassActionSettlement.com) for potential Class Members to contact A.B. Data with questions or for additional information.

19. As of the date of this Declaration, the website has been visited 312,990 times. The website allows potential Class Members to file a claim online. This specific section was clicked 4,666 times.

### **TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE LINE**

- 20. Pursuant to the Preliminary Approval Order, on or about December 20, 2021, a case-specific toll-free number, 877-999-4333, was established with an Interactive Voice Response system and live operators. Callers to the toll-free number are presented with a series of choices to respond to basic questions. If callers needed further help, they had the option to be transferred to a live operator during business hours.
  - 21. As of the date of this Declaration, 76 callers have called the toll-free number.

### **REPORT ON EXCLUSIONS**

22. Pursuant to Paragraphs 22 and 23 of the Preliminary Approval Order, those Class Members requesting exclusion were to provide the following information: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the Person or entity seeking exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; and (2) a statement that such Person or entity requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class in this Action *In re JPMorgan Precious Metals Futures Spoofing Litig.*, Case No. 18-cv-10356 (GHW) (S.D.N.Y); and (3) one or more documents sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class, as well as proof of authorization to submit the Request for Exclusion if submitted by an authorized representative. A Class Member seeking to exclude himself, herself or itself from the Settlement Class is also requested to and may opt to provide either: (i) one or more documents evidencing all eligible trading in Precious Metals Futures and Options and Options on Precious Metals Futures on during the Class Period (including contract traded, date(s) and price(s) at which position acquired and

subsequently closed out, and trade volume), or (ii) such Class Member's tag50 ID(s) and an executed waiver and request to the CME Group to unmask such Class Member's account information for verification. All written requests were to be signed by the Class Member and received by the Settlement Administrator by no later than May 23, 2022.

23. A.B. Data promptly log each Request for Exclusion that it receives and provide copies of the log to Class Counsel.

24. As of the date of this Declaration, A.B. Data has received one (1) Request for Exclusion. A.B. Data will submit a supplemental declaration after the May 23, 2022 deadline for requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class that will address all requests received.

#### **REPORT ON OBJECTIONS**

25. Pursuant to Paragraphs 18 and 19 of the Preliminary Approval Order, those Class Members who wish to object to the fairness, reasonableness, or adequacy of any term or aspect of the Settlement, application for attorneys' fees and expenses, incentive awards, or the Final Order and Judgment are to file such objection with the Court and to serve on Class Counsel and JPMorgan's counsel no later than May 23, 2022. *See* ECF No. 79-1 at 13(A).

26. As of the date of this Declaration, A.B. Data has not received any objections to the Settlement and knows of no other objections sent to Class Counsel or JPMorgan's counsel.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 6th day of May 2022.

Jack Ewashko

# **EXHIBIT** A

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE JPMORGAN PRECIOUS METALS SPOOFING LITIGATION

Case No.: 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW)

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT, JULY 7, 2022 FAIRNESS HEARING THEREON AND CLASS MEMBERS' RIGHTS

This Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement, July 7, 2022 Fairness Hearing Thereon and Class Members' Rights ("Notice") is given pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court"). It is not junk mail, an advertisement, or a solicitation from a lawyer. You have not been sued.

PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE NOTICE CAREFULLY. YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROCEEDINGS IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED ACTION ("ACTION"). THIS NOTICE ADVISES YOU OF YOUR RIGHTS AND OPTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THIS ACTION, INCLUDING WHAT YOU MUST DO IF YOU WISH TO SHARE IN THE PROCEEDS OF THE SETTLEMENT. TO CLAIM YOUR SHARE OF THE SETTLEMENT, YOU MUST ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT YOUR PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE FORM ("CLAIM FORM") ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 8, 2022 OR MAIL YOUR CLAIM FORM TO THE ADDRESS IN QUESTION 12 SO THAT IT IS POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 8, 2022.

TO: ALL PERSONS WHO PURCHASED OR SOLD ANY PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES OR OPTIONS ON PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES ON THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE INC. ("COMEX") OR THE NEW YORK MERCANTILE EXCHANGE ("NYMEX") FROM MARCH 1, 2008 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 (THE "CLASS PERIOD")

"Precious Metals Futures" means Gold Futures contract(s), Silver Futures contract(s), Platinum Futures contract(s) or Palladium Futures contract(s), and "Options on Precious Metals Futures" means any option on Precious Metals Futures.

The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of a proposed settlement in this Action (the "Settlement") with Defendant JPMorgan Chase & Co. ("JPMorgan"). Class Plaintiffs entered into the Settlement Agreement with JPMorgan on September 1, 2021.

You are receiving this Notice because records indicate that you may have transacted in one or more Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period and may be a Class Member in this Action.

Please do not contact the Court regarding this Notice. Inquiries concerning this Notice, the Claim Form, or any other questions by Class Members should be directed to:

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173129 Milwaukee, WI 53217 Tel: 877-999-4333

Email: info@preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com Website: www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com

If you are a brokerage firm, futures commission merchant, nominee or other person or entity who or which entered into Precious Metals Futures traded on the COMEX and/or the NYMEX or Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period for the beneficial interest of persons or organizations other than yourself, you are requested to, WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE, either: (i) provide to A.B. Data, Ltd. (the "Settlement Administrator") the name and last known address of each person or organization for whom or which you made such Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures transactions during the Class Period; or (ii) request from the Settlement Administrator

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sufficient copies of the Notice to forward directly to beneficial owners of the Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures transactions. You may be reimbursed from the Settlement Fund for your reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. Those expenses will be paid upon request and submission of appropriate supporting documentation. All communications regarding the foregoing should be addressed to the Settlement Administrator at the address listed above.

Class Plaintiffs allege that Defendants, JPMorgan and three of JPMorgan's former futures traders (John Edmonds, Robert Gottlieb, and Michael Thomas Nowak) unlawfully and intentionally manipulated the prices of gold and silver futures and options contracts traded on COMEX and platinum and palladium futures and options traded on NYMEX during the Class Period in violation of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq. (the "CEA") and the common law.

The Court has preliminarily approved the Settlement with JPMorgan. To resolve all Released Claims against all Released Parties, JPMorgan has agreed to pay a total of **\$60 million** (the "Settlement Amount"). Class Members who or which do not opt out of the Settlement will release their claims against all Defendants in the Action.

The following table contains a summary of your rights and options regarding the Settlement. More detailed information about your rights and options can be found in the Settlement Agreement and Distribution Plan, which are available at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com (the "Settlement Website").

YOUR L	EGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS SETTLEMENT
DO NOTHING	If you do nothing in connection with this Settlement, you will receive no payment from the Settlement <i>and</i> you will be bound by past and any future Court rulings, including rulings on the Settlement, if approved, and the settlement release. <i>See</i> question 18.
FILE A CLAIM FORM	The only way to receive your share of the Net Settlement Fund is to complete and electronically submit a timely and valid Claim Form to the Settlement Administrator by no later than <b>August 8</b> , <b>2022</b> , or to mail your completed Claim Form so that it is postmarked no later than <b>August 8</b> , <b>2022</b> . <i>See</i> question 12.
EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT	If you wish to exclude yourself from the Settlement, you must submit by U.S. first class mail (or, if sent from outside the U.S., by a service that provides for guaranteed delivery within five (5) or fewer calendar days of mailing) or deliver a written request to the Settlement Administrator so that it is received by May 23, 2022. If you exclude yourself, you will not be bound by the Settlement, if approved, or settlement release, and you will not be eligible for any payment from the Settlement. <i>See</i> questions 19 - 23.
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT	If you wish to object to the Settlement, you must file a written objection with the Court and serve copies on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel so that it is received by <b>May 23, 2022</b> . You must be and remain within the Settlement Class in order to object. <i>See</i> questions 24 and 25.
PARTICIPATE AT THE FAIRNESS HEARING	You may ask the Court for permission to speak about the Settlement at the Fairness Hearing, which will be held remotely by audio teleconference, by including such a request in your written objection, which you must file with the Court and serve on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel so that it is received by May 23, 2022. The Fairness Hearing is scheduled for July 7, 2022. See questions 28 - 30.
APPEAR THROUGH AN ATTORNEY	You may enter an appearance through your own counsel at your own expense. <i>See</i> question 30.

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These rights and options and the deadlines to exercise them are explained in this Notice. The capitalized terms used in this Notice are explained or defined below or in the Settlement Agreement, which is available on the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

The Court has appointed the lawyers listed below ("Lead Counsel") to represent you and the Settlement Class in this Action:

Vincent Briganti Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. 44 South Broadway, Suite 1100 White Plains, NY 10601 Telephone: (914) 733-7221 vbriganti@lowey.com

Please regularly visit the Settlement Website, which can be found at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com, for updates relating to the Settlement.

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#### **BASIC INFORMATION**

#### 1. What Is A Class Action Lawsuit?

A class action is a lawsuit in which one or more representative plaintiffs (in this case, Class Plaintiffs) bring a lawsuit on behalf of themselves and other similarly situated persons (*i.e.*, a class) who have similar claims against the defendants. The representative plaintiffs, the court, and counsel appointed to represent the class all have a responsibility to make sure that the interests of all class members are adequately represented.

Importantly, class members are NOT individually responsible for payment of attorneys' fees or litigation expenses. In a class action, attorneys' fees and litigation expenses are paid from the settlement fund (or the court-awarded judgment amount) and must be approved by the court. If there is no recovery on behalf of the class, the attorneys do not get paid.

When a representative plaintiff enters into a settlement with a defendant on behalf of a class, such as in this Settlement with JPMorgan, the court will require that the members of the class be given notice of the settlement and an opportunity to be heard with respect to the settlement. The court then conducts a hearing (called a Fairness Hearing) to determine, among other things, if the settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate.

#### 2. Why Did I Get This Notice?

You received this Notice because you requested it or records indicate that you may be a Class Member. As a potential Class Member, you have a right to know about the proposed Settlement with JPMorgan before the Court decides whether to approve the Settlement.

This Notice explains the Action, the Settlement, your legal rights, what benefits are available, who is eligible for them, and how you can apply to receive your portion of the benefits if you are eligible. The purpose of this Notice is also to inform you of the Fairness Hearing to be held by the Court to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement and Distribution Plan and to consider requests for awards of attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and costs, and any Incentive Awards for Class Plaintiffs from the Settlement Fund.

#### 3. What Are The Definitions Used In This Notice?

This Notice incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement with JPMorgan (the "Settlement Agreement").

The Settlement Agreement and the Court's Preliminary Approval Order are posted on the Settlement Website. All capitalized terms used, but not defined, shall have the same meanings as in the Settlement Agreement and the Court's Preliminary Approval Order.

#### 4. What Is This Action About?

Class Plaintiffs allege that Defendants, JPMorgan and a group of futures traders that JPMorgan employed, unlawfully and intentionally manipulated Precious Metals Futures traded on the COMEX and/or the NYMEX and Options on Precious Metals Futures from at least March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016 (the "Class Period") in violation of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq. (the "CEA") and the common law.

Defendants allegedly manipulated the prices of Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures using a technique called "spoofing," in which they placed orders for Precious Metals Futures and canceled them prior to execution in order to send false supply and demand signals to the market. Defendants allegedly caused artificial Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures prices throughout the Class Period. The false pricing information caused the prices of Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures to move in a direction that was favorable to Defendants' trading positions but harmful to Class Members. Class Plaintiffs transacted in Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures hundreds of times during the Class Period, including on days identified as examples of spoofing in regulatory filings against Defendants.

JPMorgan maintains that it has good and meritorious defenses to Class Plaintiffs' claims and would prevail if the case were to proceed. Nevertheless, to settle the claims in this lawsuit, and thereby avoid the expense and uncertainty of further litigation, JPMorgan has agreed to pay a total of \$60 million (the "Settlement Amount") in cash for the benefit of the proposed Settlement Class. If the Settlement is approved, the Settlement Amount, plus interest earned from the date it was established (the "Settlement Fund"), less any Taxes, the reasonable costs of Class Notice and administration, any Courtawarded attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and costs, Incentive Awards for Class Plaintiffs, and any other costs or fees approved by the Court (the "Net Settlement Fund") will be divided among all Class Members who file timely and valid Claim Forms.

If the Settlement is approved, the Action will be resolved against all Defendants. If the Settlement is not approved, JPMorgan and the other Defendants will remain as defendants in the Action, and Class Plaintiffs will continue to pursue their claims against Defendants.

#### 5. What Is The History Of This Action?

On November 7, 2018, Plaintiff Dominick Cognata filed the initial class action complaint alleging the misconduct described above. ECF No. 1. Subsequently, other plaintiffs filed similar actions concerning these same allegations, and on February 5, 2019, the Court consolidated all related cases into this action. ECF No. 18, *see also* ECF No. 34.

On February 21, 2019, the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ") moved to intervene in the case and to stay the action in light of ongoing related criminal prosecutions and an ongoing government investigation. ECF No. 26. The Court granted the stay (ECF Nos. 29, 36) and has extended the stay several times at the request of the DOJ. *See, e.g.*, ECF Nos. 40, 43, 55, 63, 70, 71. While the case has been stayed, two former JPMorgan traders investigated by the DOJ have pled guilty, while others are currently awaiting trial. On September 29, 2020, JPMorgan entered into a deferred prosecution agreement with the DOJ concerning its alleged unlawful trading in the markets for Precious Metals Futures contracts.

In March 2020, Class Plaintiffs and JPMorgan began discussing the possibility of settlement. The Parties agreed to the selection of the Honorable Diane M. Welsh (Ret.) as mediator and, as part of the mediation, the disclosure of Mediation Information by JPMorgan. On November 23, 2020 and December 9, 2020, the Parties participated in mediation sessions with the mediator that concluded without reaching a settlement. The parties continued their arm's length negotiations through the mediator, and on February 19, 2021, she presented the Parties with a mediator's proposal for a \$60 million

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settlement and a further Mediation Information disclosure. Class Plaintiffs and JPMorgan both accepted the proposal. On May 20, 2021, Class Plaintiffs and JPMorgan executed a binding settlement term sheet. After the completion of Class Plaintiffs' review of the Mediation Information, the Parties negotiated a formal Settlement Agreement that was executed on September 1, 2021.

## 6. Why Is There A Settlement?

Class Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel believe that Class Members have been damaged by Defendants' conduct. JPMorgan believes that it has meritorious defenses to Class Plaintiffs' allegations and believes that Class Plaintiffs' claims would have been rejected prior to trial, at trial (had Class Plaintiffs successfully certified a class and survived summary judgment motions), or on appeal. As a result, JPMorgan believes Class Plaintiffs would have received nothing if the litigation had continued to trial.

The Court has not decided in favor of either Class Plaintiffs or JPMorgan. Instead, Lead Counsel engaged in mediation with JPMorgan to reach a negotiated resolution of the Action. The Settlement allows both sides to avoid the risks and costs of lengthy litigation and the uncertainty of pre-trial proceedings, a trial, and appeals, and, if approved, will permit eligible Class Members who file timely and valid Claim Forms to receive some compensation, rather than risk ultimately receiving nothing. Class Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel believe the Settlement is in the best interest of all Class Members.

JPMorgan has agreed to pay a total of \$60 million in cash for the benefit of the proposed Settlement Class. If the Settlement is approved, the Net Settlement Fund will be divided among all Class Members who file timely and valid Claim Forms.

If the Settlement is approved, the Action will be resolved against all Defendants. If the Settlement is not approved, JPMorgan and the Individual Defendants (John Edmonds, Robert Gottlieb, and Michael Thomas Nowak) will remain as defendants in the Action, and Class Plaintiffs will continue to pursue their claims against Defendants.

#### 7. How Does The Settlement Affect The Claims Against Defendants Other Than JPMorgan?

Class Plaintiffs' claims against Individual Defendants will be released and the case will be fully resolved if the Settlement with JPMorgan is approved.

#### WHO GETS MONEY FROM THE SETTLEMENT

#### 8. How Do I Know If I Am A Class Member?

In the Preliminary Approval Order, the Court preliminarily approved the following Settlement Class:

All Persons and entities wherever located that purchased or sold any Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures on the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") or Commodity Exchange Inc. ("COMEX") from March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016 (the "Class Period").

Not everyone who fits this description will be a Class Member. Please see question 9 for a discussion of exclusions from the Settlement Class.

#### 9. Are There Exceptions To Being Included In The Settlement Class?

Yes. You are not included in the Settlement Class if you are a Defendant or any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of JPMorgan, provided, however, that any Investment Vehicle shall not be excluded from the Settlement Class, but under no circumstances may JPMorgan (or any of its direct or indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, or divisions) receive a distribution for its own account from the Settlement Fund through an Investment Vehicle. In addition, the United States government is excluded from the Settlement Class.

For purposes of this Settlement, the term "Investment Vehicle" means any investment company, separately managed account or pooled investment fund, including but not limited to mutual fund families, exchange-traded funds, fund of funds, hedge funds, retirement accounts, and employee benefit plans, in which any Defendant has or may have a direct or indirect

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interest, or as to which that Defendant or its affiliates may act as an investment advisor or manager, but in which any Defendant alone or together with its, his or her respective affiliates is not a majority owner or does not hold a majority beneficial interest

#### 10. I'm Still Not Sure If I Am Included.

If you are still not sure whether you are included, you can ask for free help. You can call toll-free 1-877-999-4333 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-414-921-0344) or visit the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com, for more information.

#### THE SETTLEMENT BENEFITS

#### 11. What Does The Settlement Provide?

JPMorgan has paid \$60 million into a fund to be held for disbursement to the Settlement Class and to pay for Court-approved fees and expenses if the Settlement is approved. The Settlement gives JPMorgan the right to terminate the Settlement in the event that the volume of Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures transacted by Class Members who timely exercise their right to request exclusion from the Settlement Class exceeds a certain percentage.

This is not a claims-made settlement, and JPMorgan is not involved in the development of the Distribution Plan for the Settlement. The Parties' expectation is that the Settlement Fund will be fully distributed to Settling Class Members. In the event the Settlement Fund has not been fully distributed to the Class within four (4) years from the Effective Date (or at such other time as the Parties may mutually agree), the Parties shall confer as to the disposition of any remaining funds in the Net Settlement Fund and, if the Parties are unable to reach an agreement, seek the Court's intervention.

The Settlement does <u>not</u> bar Class Members from filing a victim impact statement with the DOJ to participate in the DOJ's victim compensation program, created in connection with the DOJ's deferred prosecution agreement with JPMorgan relating to criminal charges for conduct similar to that alleged in this Action. *See* www.justice.gov/criminal-vns/case/jpmorgan-dpa.

#### 12. How Will I Get A Payment?

If you are a Class Member and do not exclude yourself, you are eligible to file a Claim Form to receive your share of money from the Net Settlement Fund. Claim Forms must be submitted online at the Settlement Website on or before 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 8, 2022, <u>OR</u> postmarked by August 8, 2022 and mailed to:

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173129 Milwaukee, WI 53217

Following the timely submission and receipt of your Claim Form, the Settlement Administrator will send you a "Confirmation of Claim Receipt," which will acknowledge receipt of your Claim and will inform you of important next steps.

Please keep all data and documentation related to your eligible Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures. Having data and documentation may be important to substantiating your Claim Form.

If you do not file a Claim Form, you will not receive any payments under the Settlement.

#### 13. How Much Will My Payment Be?

The amount of your payment will be determined by the Distribution Plan, if it is approved, or by such other plan of distribution that is approved by the Court. At this time, it is not known precisely how much each Authorized Claimant will receive from the Net Settlement Fund or when payments will be made. For more information on the Distribution Plan see question 14.

#### 14. What Is The Distribution Plan?

The Distribution Plan is available for review on the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com. Changes, if any, to the Distribution Plan based on newly available data or information or any Court order will be promptly posted on the Settlement Website. Please check the Settlement Website for the most up-to-date information about the Distribution Plan.

#### 15. When Will I Receive A Payment?

The Court will hold the Fairness Hearing on July 7, 2022 to decide whether to approve the Settlement and Distribution Plan. Even if the Court approves the Settlement and Distribution Plan, there may be appeals after that. It can sometimes take a year or more for the appellate process to conclude.

Please be patient; status updates will be posted on the Settlement Website.

#### 16. What Do I Have To Do After I File A Claim Form?

After you file a Claim Form, the Settlement Administrator will evaluate your Claim Form to determine if you have provided sufficient information to validate your membership in the Settlement Class and your claim. If the Settlement Administrator determines that your Claim Form is deficient or defective, it will contact you. If you subsequently provide information that satisfies the Settlement Administrator concerning the validity of your Claim Form, you will not have to do anything else. If any disputes cannot be resolved, Lead Counsel will submit them to the Court, and the Court will make a final determination of the validity of your Claim Form.

Please keep all data and documentation related to your eligible transactions in Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures. Having data and documentation may be important to substantiating your Claim Form.

#### 17. What Am I Giving Up To Receive A Payment?

Unless you exclude yourself, you remain a Class Member. That means you can't sue, continue to sue, or be part of any other lawsuit about the Released Claims in this Action against JPMorgan, the Individual Defendants, and any of the Released Parties. Upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Class Plaintiffs and each of the Releasing Parties shall release and be deemed to release and forever discharge and shall be forever enjoined from prosecuting the Released Claims against the Released Parties.

The capitalized terms used in this paragraph are defined in the Settlement Agreement, Preliminary Approval Order, or this Notice. For easy reference, certain of these terms are copied below:

- "Released Parties" or "Released Party" means all Defendants in this Action, including the Individual Defendants and JPMorgan, its predecessors, successors and assigns, its past and present direct and indirect parents, subsidiaries and affiliates, and each of their respective current and former officers, directors, employees, managers, members, partners, agents (in their capacity as agents of JPMorgan), shareholders (in their capacity as shareholders of JPMorgan), attorneys, insurers, or legal representatives, and the predecessors, successors, heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns of each of the foregoing. As used in this provision, "affiliates" means entities controlling, controlled by, or under common control with a Released Party.
- "Releasing Parties" or "Releasing Party" means, individually and collectively, each and every Class Plaintiff and each and every Settling Class Member on such Person or entity's own behalf and on behalf of their respective predecessors, successors and assigns, direct and indirect parents, subsidiaries and affiliates, and on behalf of their current and former officers, directors, employees, agents, principals, members, trustees, participants, representatives, fiduciaries, beneficiaries or legal representatives in their capacity as such, and the predecessors, successors, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of each of the foregoing in their capacity as such, whether or not they object to the Settlement or make a claim for payment from the Settlement Amount. Notwithstanding that the United States Government is excluded from the Settlement Class, with respect to any Settling

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Class Member that is a government entity, Releasing Parties include any Settling Class Member as to which the government entity has the legal right to release such claims. As used in this provision, "affiliates" means entities controlling, controlled by, or under common control with a Releasing Party. For the avoidance of doubt, the "Releasing Parties" include all Persons entitled to bring or release claims on behalf of Settling Class Members, relating to their transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures who do not validly opt out of the settlement.

• "Released Claims" means any and all manner of claims, including unknown claims, causes of action, cross-claims, counter-claims, charges, liabilities, demands, judgments, suits, obligations, debts, setoffs, rights of recovery, or liabilities for any obligations of any kind whatsoever (however denominated), whether class, derivative, or individual, in law or equity or arising under constitution, statute, regulation, ordinance, contract, or otherwise in nature, for fees, costs, penalties, fines, debts, expenses, attorneys' fees, and damages, whenever incurred, and liabilities of any nature whatsoever (including joint and several), known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, asserted or unasserted, which Settling Class Members or any of them ever had, now has, or hereafter can, shall or may have, directly, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity, against the Released Parties arising from or relating in any way to any of the facts, conduct, or events that were or could have been alleged or asserted in the Action against the Released Parties in any way involving or concerning Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures purchased, sold, held, traded, and/or transacted by the Class Plaintiffs, Class Members, and/or Settling Class Members, including, but not limited to, any alleged manipulation or spoofing of Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures under any statute, regulation, or common law, or the defense or settlement of such claims.

#### 18. What If I Do Nothing?

You are automatically a member of a Settlement Class if you fit the Settlement Class description. However, if you do not submit a timely and valid Claim Form, you will not receive any payment from the Settlement. You will be bound by past and any future Court rulings, including rulings on the Settlement and release. Unless you exclude yourself, you will not be able to start a lawsuit, continue with a lawsuit, or be a part of any other lawsuit against JPMorgan or any of the other Released Parties on the basis of the Released Claims. Please see question 17 for a description of the Released Claims.

#### EXCLUDING YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT

#### 19. What If I Do Not Want To Be In The Settlement Class?

If you are a Class Member, do not want to remain in the Settlement Class, and do not want a payment from the Settlement, then you must take steps to exclude yourself from the Settlement. This is also sometimes referred to as "opting out" of a class. *See* question 20.

If you act to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class of which you would otherwise be a member, you will be free to sue JPMorgan or any of the other Released Parties on your own for the claims being resolved by the Settlement. However, you will not receive any money from the Settlement, and Lead Counsel will no longer represent you with respect to any claims against JPMorgan.

If you want to receive money from the Settlement, do not exclude yourself. You must file a Claim Form in order to receive any payment from the Settlement.

# 20. How Do I Exclude Myself?

You can exclude yourself by sending a written "Request for Exclusion." You cannot exclude yourself by telephone or email. Your written Request for Exclusion must be mailed by U.S. first class mail (or, if sent from outside the U.S., by a

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service that provides for guaranteed delivery within five (5) or fewer calendar days of mailing) or delivered so that it is received by May 23, 2022, to:

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement - EXCLUSIONS c/o A.B. Data, Ltd.
P.O. Box 173001
Milwaukee, WI 53217

and (a) state the name, address, and telephone number of the Person or entity seeking exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (b) state that such Person or entity requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class in the Action (*In re JPMorgan Precious Metals Spoofing Litigation*, Case No. 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW) (S.D.N.Y.)); and (c) may provide one or more document(s) sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class, as well as proof of authorization to submit the Request for Exclusion if submitted by an authorized representative.

With respect to the kinds of documents that are requested under subsection (c) in the preceding paragraph, any Class Member seeking to exclude himself, herself or itself from the Settlement Class will be requested to and may opt to provide either: (i) one or more document(s) evidencing eligible trading in Precious Metals Futures and Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period (including the type and number of contract(s) traded, and the date(s) and (if available) price(s) at which the position was acquired or sold), or (ii) such Person or entity's tag50 ID(s) and an executed waiver and request to the CME Group ("CME Waiver") to unmask such Person or entity's account information for verification. A sample copy of the CME Waiver to be used by Class Members will be posted on the Settlement website, <a href="https://www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com">www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com</a>. Any Request for Exclusion must be signed by such Person or entity requesting the exclusion or an authorized representative and include proof of authorization to submit the Request for Exclusion if submitted by an authorized representative. The Parties may seek leave of the Court to ask any Person or entity that seeks to be excluded from the settlement to provide documents sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class.

A Request for Exclusion that does not include all of the required information, does not contain the proper signature, is sent to an address other than the one designated above, or that is not sent within the time specified shall be invalid and the person(s) filing such an invalid request shall be a Class Member and shall be bound by the Settlement, if approved.

All persons who submit valid and timely Requests for Exclusion in the manner set forth above shall have no rights under the Settlement, shall not share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, and shall not be bound by the Settlement. In addition, such persons will not be entitled to object to the Settlement or participate at the Fairness Hearing.

# 21. If I Do Not Exclude Myself, Can I Sue JPMorgan And The Other Released Parties For The Same Thing Later?

No. Unless you exclude yourself from this Settlement, you give up any right to sue JPMorgan and the other Released Parties for the Released Claims that the Settlement resolves. If you decide to exclude yourself from this Settlement, your decision will apply to JPMorgan and the other Released Parties.

#### 22. If I Exclude Myself, Can I Get Money From The Settlement?

No. You will not get any money from the Settlement if you exclude yourself.

#### 23. If I Exclude Myself From The Settlement, Can I Still Object?

No. If you exclude yourself, you are no longer a Class Member and may not object to any aspect of the Settlement.

#### **OBJECTING TO THE SETTLEMENT**

#### 24. How Do I Tell The Court What I Think About The Settlement?

If you are a Class Member and you do not exclude yourself, you can tell the Court what you think about the Settlement. You can object to all or any part of the Settlement, Distribution Plan, and/or application for attorneys' fees, reimbursement of litigation expenses and costs, and any Incentive Awards for Class Plaintiffs. You can give reasons why you think the Court should approve them or not. The Court will consider your views. If you want to make an objection, you may enter an appearance in the Action, at your own expense, individually or through counsel of your own choice, by filing with the Clerk of United States District Court for the Southern District of New York a notice of appearance and your objection, and serving copies of your objection on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel such that it is received by **May 23, 2022** to the following email and physical addresses:

Lead Counsel	JPMorgan's Counsel								
Vincent Briganti	Robert A. Sacks	Amanda F. Davidoff							
Lowey Dannenberg, P.C.	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	Sullivan & Cromwell LLP							
44 South Broadway, Suite 1100	1888 Century Park East	1700 New York Ave., N.W.							
White Plains, NY 10601	Los Angeles, CA 90067	Suite 700							
(914) 733-7221	Tel: (310) 712-6600	Washington, DC 20006							
vbriganti@lowey.com	sacksr@sullcrom.com	Tel: (202) 956-7500							
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Any Class Member who does not enter an appearance will be represented by Lead Counsel.

If you choose to object, you must file a written objection. You cannot make an objection by telephone or email. Your written objection must include: (i) the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the Person or entity objecting and must be signed by the Class Member (an attorney's signature is not sufficient); (ii) the name of the Action (In re JPMorgan Precious Metals Spoofing Litigation, Case No. 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW) (S.D.N.Y.)); (iii) a statement of the Class Member's objection or objections, and the specific reasons for each objection, including any legal and evidentiary support the Class Member wishes to bring to the Court's attention; (iv) whether the objection applies only to the Class Member, a specific subset of the Settlement Class, or the entire Settlement Class; (v) documents sufficient to prove the Class Member's membership in the Settlement Class; (vi) a statement of whether you intend to participate at the Fairness Hearing, either in person or through counsel and, if through counsel, a statement identifying that counsel by name, address, telephone number, and email address; and (vii) a list of other cases in which you or your counsel has appeared either as an objector or counsel for an objector in the last five years. If you enter an appearance and desire to present evidence at the Fairness Hearing in support of your objection, you must also include in your written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses you may call to testify and any exhibits you intend to introduce into evidence at the hearing. Objectors may, in certain circumstances, be required to make themselves available for a deposition by any Party to take place within the Court's federal district in New York or in the county of the objector's residence or principal place of business within seven (7) days of service of the objector's timely written objection.

If you do not timely and validly submit your objection, your views will not be considered by the Court. Check the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com for updates on important dates and deadlines relating to the Settlement.

#### 25. What Is The Difference Between Objecting And Excluding Myself?

Objecting is telling the Court that you do not like something about the Settlement. You can object to the Settlement only if you remain a Class Member and do not exclude yourself from the Settlement. Excluding yourself from the Settlement is telling the Court that you do not want to be a part of the Settlement Class. If you exclude yourself, you have no right to object to the Settlement because it no longer affects you.

#### THE LAWYERS REPRESENTING YOU

#### **26.** Do I Have A Lawyer In This Case?

The Court has appointed the lawyers listed below to represent you and the Settlement Class in this Action:

Vincent Briganti Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. 44 South Broadway, Suite 1100 White Plains, NY 10601 Telephone: (914) 733-7221 vbriganti@lowey.com

These lawyers are called Lead Counsel. Lead Counsel may apply to the Court for payment of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs from the Settlement Fund. You will not otherwise be charged for Lead Counsel's services. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense.

#### 27. How Will The Lawyers Be Paid?

To date, Lead Counsel have not been paid any attorneys' fees or reimbursed for any out-of-pocket costs. Any attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs will be awarded only as approved by the Court in amounts determined to be fair and reasonable. The Settlement provides that Lead Counsel may apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs out of the Settlement Fund. Prior to the Fairness Hearing, Lead Counsel will move for an award of no more than \$20,000,000 in attorneys' fees, which is one-third of the Settlement Fund, plus payment of litigation expenses and costs not to exceed \$750,000, and for interest on such attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs at the same rate as the earnings in the Settlement Fund, accruing from the inception of the Settlement Fund until the attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs are paid. Lead Counsel may allocate any award of attorneys' fees and payment of litigation expenses and costs among Plaintiffs' Counsel in proportion to their contributions to the case. Class Plaintiffs may also seek Incentive Awards from the Settlement Fund of up to \$110,000 in the aggregate.

This is only a summary of the request for attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs. Any motions in support of the requests will be available for viewing on the Settlement Website after they are filed by May 6, 2022. If you wish to review the motion papers, you may do so by viewing them at the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

The Court will consider the motion for attorneys' fees and litigation expenses and costs at or after the Fairness Hearing.

#### **THE COURT'S FAIRNESS HEARING**

#### 28. When And Where Will The Court Decide Whether To Approve The Settlement?

The Court will hold the Fairness Hearing by audio teleconference on **July 7, 2022**, at **3:00 p.m. Eastern Time**, from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse, located at 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007. Given the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Fairness Hearing will be conducted remotely. Any Class Member who wants to participate at the Fairness Hearing can do so remotely by calling the following toll-free number 1-888-567-1602 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-862-298-0702) on the date and time of the Fairness Hearing. The Fairness Hearing may be moved to a different date or time without notice to you; any changes to the date, time, or telephone number of the Fairness Hearing will be posted to the Settlement Website. Although you do not need to participate, if you plan to do so, you should check the Settlement Website for any changes concerning the Fairness Hearing.

At the Fairness Hearing, the Court will consider whether the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court will also consider whether to approve the Distribution Plan and requests for attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and costs, and any Incentive Awards for Class Plaintiffs. If there are any objections, the Court will consider them at this time. We do not know how long the Fairness Hearing will take or when the Court will make its decision. The Court's decision may be appealed.

#### 29. Do I Have To Participate At The Fairness Hearing?

No. Lead Counsel will answer any questions the Court may have. You are, however, welcome to participate at the Fairness Hearing. If you send an objection, you do not have to participate at the Fairness Hearing to talk about it. As long as you file and serve your written objection on time, the Court will consider it. You may also hire your own lawyer to participate, but you are not required to do so.

#### 30. May I Speak At The Fairness Hearing?

You may ask the Court for permission to speak at the Fairness Hearing. If you want to participate at the Fairness Hearing, you may also enter an appearance in the Action at your own expense, individually, or through counsel of your own choice, by filing with the Clerk of Court a notice of appearance and your objection and serving copies of your objection on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel at the addresses set forth in in question 24, such that they are received no later than **May 23, 2022**, or as the Court may otherwise direct. Any Class Member who does not enter an appearance will be represented by Lead Counsel. You may request to speak at the Fairness Hearing by telephone.

#### **GETTING MORE INFORMATION**

#### 31. How Do I Get More Information?

The Court has appointed A.B. Data, Ltd. as the Settlement Administrator. Among other things, the Settlement Administrator is responsible for providing this Notice of the Settlement and processing Claim Forms.

This Notice summarizes the Settlement Agreement. More details are in the Settlement Agreement and Distribution Plan, which are available for your review at the Settlement Website, www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com. The Settlement Website also has answers to common questions about the Settlement, Claim Form, and other information to help you determine whether you are a Class Member and whether you are eligible for a payment. You may also call toll-free 1-877-999-4333 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-414-921-0344) or write to the Settlement Administrator at:

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173129 Milwaukee, WI 53217 Tel: 877-999-4333

Email: info@preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com

If this Notice reached you at an address other than the one on the mailing label, or if your address changes, please enter your current information online at the Settlement Website or send it to the Settlement Administrator at the address set forth above in the event the Settlement Administrator needs to contact you.

\*\*\*\*Please do not contact the Court or the Clerk's Office regarding this Notice or for additional information. \*\*\*\*

DATED: December 20, 2021 BY ORDER OF THE COURT

This Form Must Be Electronically Submitted OR Postmarked AND Mailed No Later Than August 8, 2022.

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE JPMORGAN PRECIOUS METALS SPOOFING LITIGATION

Case No.: 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW)

PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

#### I. INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. If you transacted in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures on the Commodity Exchange Inc. ("COMEX") or New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") from March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016 (the "Class Period"), you may be eligible to receive a payment from the \$60 million settlement reached between Class Plaintiffs and Defendants JPMorgan Chase & Co. ("JPMorgan") in *In re JPMorgan Precious Metals Futures Spoofing Litigation*, No. 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW).
- 2. "Precious Metals Futures" means Gold Futures contract(s), Silver Futures contract(s), Platinum Futures contract(s) or Palladium Futures contract(s), and "Options on Precious Metals Futures" means any option on Precious Metals Futures.
- 3. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms contained in this Proof of Claim and Release ("Claim Form") have the same meaning as in the accompanying **Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement, July 7, 2022 Fairness Hearing Thereon and Class Members' Rights** ("Notice") and the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement between Class Plaintiffs and JPMorgan, which are available at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com (the "Settlement Website").
- 4. It is important that you read the Notice that accompanies this Claim Form. By signing and submitting this Claim Form, you will be certifying that you have read the Notice, including the terms of the Release and Covenant Not to Sue described in the Notice under the heading "What Am I Giving Up to Receive a Payment?" and provided for in the Settlement Agreement.
- 5. To be eligible to receive a payment from the Net Settlement Fund, you must submit a timely and valid Claim Form along with the required data and/or information described in Parts II through IV below. To be considered timely, your Claim Form must be submitted online at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 8, 2022 OR postmarked and mailed to the Settlement Administrator no later than August 8, 2022. If you are unable to submit the required data as described below at Parts II through IV, you should call the Settlement Administrator for further instructions.
- 6. As described in Part III below, you are required to submit additional information about your transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures as part of your Claim Form to be submitted to the Settlement Administrator.
- 7. Your payment amount will be determined based on the Settlement Administrator's review of your Claim Form and calculated pursuant to the Distribution Plan that the Court approves. Submission of a Claim Form does not guarantee that you will receive a payment from the Settlement. For more information, please refer to the Notice and Distribution Plan available at the Settlement Website.
- 8. Separate Claim Forms should be submitted for each separate legal entity. Conversely, a single Claim Form should be submitted on behalf of only one legal entity.

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9. If you have questions about submitting a Claim Form or need additional copies of the Claim Form or the Notice, you may contact the Settlement Administrator.

#### II. CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION

The Settlement Administrator will use this information for all communications relevant to this Claim Form. If this information changes, please notify the Settlement Administrator in writing. If you are a trustee, executor, administrator, custodian, or other nominee and are completing and signing this Claim Form on behalf of the Claimant, you must attach documentation showing your authority to act on behalf of Claimant.

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## Section B - Authorized Representative Information

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#### III. REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIM SUBMISSION

# 1. YOU MUST SUBMIT YOUR CLAIM FORM ELECTRONICALLY OR ON PAPER IN THE REQUIRED FORMAT

Claimants <u>must</u> electronically submit their Claim Forms online at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on August 8, 2022 OR postmark and mail the Claim Forms to the Settlement Administrator at Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement, P.O. Box 173129, Milwaukee, WI 53217 no later than August 8, 2022. Claim Forms must be submitted in the format specified in this Claim Form or posted by the Settlement Administrator on the Settlement Website.

Along with your Claim Form, you are required to submit the details of your transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures reflected in Part IV, below. A Data Template, including the information you must provide about your transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures is below and also available at the Settlement Website. In addition, please provide any of the following types of supporting documentation that verifies the transaction information you provide:

- a. Transaction data from your bank, broker, or internal trade system;
- b. Bank confirmations by individual trade;
- c. Bank transaction reports or statements;
- d. Trading venue transaction reports or statements;
- e. Prime broker reports or statements;
- f. Custodian reports or statements;
- g. Daily or monthly account statements or position reports;
- h. Email confirmations from counterparty evidencing transactions;
- i. Bloomberg confirmations or communications evidencing transactions; and/or
- j. Other documents evidencing transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period.

Please keep all data and documentation related to your eligible Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures transactions. Having data and documentation may be important to substantiating your Claim Form.

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#### IV. TABLE OF TRANSACTIONS IN PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES OR OPTIONS ON PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES

Complete this Part IV if and only if you entered into transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures from March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016. Do not include information regarding instruments other than Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures and do not include transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures in which you acquired the instrument as an agent for another individual or entity.

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Please list all brokers or futures commission merchants ("FCMs") at which you maintained accounts in which you traded or held in Precious Metals Futures or Open Precious Metals Futures.	ptions
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## TABLE I – PURCHASE(S) AND SALE(S) OF PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES CONTRACTS DURING THE SETTLEMENT CLASS PERIOD

For each purchase or sale of a Precious Metals Futures, provide the following information for each transaction:

Contract Traded (Description or Code)	U.Sbased Exchange (COMEX/ NYMEX)	Trade Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Number of Contracts	Transaction Price	Purchase or Sale (P/S)	Brokerage Firm and Account Number in Which Transaction Was Made

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## TABLE II - PURCHASE(S) AND SALE(S) OF OPTIONS ON PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES DURING THE SETTLEMENT CLASS PERIOD

For a purchase or sale of an Option on Precious Metals Futures, please provide the following information for each transaction:

Contract Traded (Description or Code)	Trade Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Call (C) or Put (P)	Expiry Type (American or European)	Strike Price	Option Premium	Settlement/ Exercise Date	Number of Contracts	Traded Price (price of futures contract)	Purchase or Sale (P/S)	Brokerage Firm and Account Number in Which Transaction Was Made

#### V. CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATION & SIGNATURE

#### **SECTION A: CERTIFICATION**

# BY SIGNING AND SUBMITTING THIS CLAIM FORM, CLAIMANT OR CLAIMANT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFIES ON CLAIMANT'S BEHALF AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. I (we) have read the Notice and Claim Form, including the descriptions of the Release and Covenant Not to Sue provided for in the Settlement Agreement;
- 2. I (we) am (are) a Class Member and am (are) not one of the individuals or entities excluded from the Settlement Class;
  - 3. I (we) have not submitted a Request for Exclusion;
- 4. I (we) have made the transactions submitted with this Claim Form for myself (ourselves) and not as agents of another, and have not assigned my (our) Released Claims to another;
- 5. I (we) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer, voluntarily or involuntarily, any matter released pursuant to the release or any other part or portion thereof;
- 6. I (we) have not submitted any other claim in this Action covering the same transactions and know of no other person having done so on his/her/its/their behalf;
- 7. I (we) hereby consent to the disclosure of, waive any protections provided by any applicable bank secrecy or data privacy laws (whether foreign or domestic), or any similar confidentiality protections with respect to, and instruct JPMorgan or any authorized third party to disclose my (our) information and transaction data relating to my (our) trades for use in the claims administration process;
- 8. I (we) submit to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to my (our) claim and for purposes of enforcing the releases set forth in any Final Judgment that may be entered in the Action;
- 9. I (we) agree to furnish such additional information with respect to this Claim Form as the Settlement Administrator or the Court may require; and
- 10. I (we) acknowledge that I (we) will be bound by and subject to the terms of the Judgment that will be entered in the Action if the Settlement is approved.
- 11. I (we) certify that I am (we are) not subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406(a)(1)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code.

# Case 1:18-cv-10356-GHW Document 97 Filed 05/06/22 Page 30 of 44 <u>SECTION B: SIGNATURE</u>

#### PLEASE READ THE RELEASE, CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE AND CERTIFICATION, AND SIGN BELOW.

I (we) acknowledge that, as of the Effective Date of the Settlement, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and by operation of law and the Final Judgment, I (we) shall be deemed to release and forever discharge and shall be forever enjoined from prosecuting the Released Claims against the Released Parties (as defined in the Settlement Agreement and/or Final Judgment).

By signing and submitting this Claim Form, I (we) consent to the disclosure of information relating to my (our) transactions in Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures during the Class Period, and waive any protections provided by any applicable bank secrecy or data privacy laws (whether foreign or domestic), or any similar confidentiality protections with respect to information and transaction data relating to my (our) trades, for use in the claims administration process.

If signing as an Authorized Representative on behalf of an entity, I (we) certify that I (we) have legal rights and authorization from the entity to file this Claim Form on the entity's behalf.

UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, I (WE) CERTIFY THAT ALL THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ME (US) ON THIS CLAIM FORM IS TRUE, CORRECT, AND COMPLETE AND THAT THE DATA SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CLAIM FORM ARE TRUE AND CORRECT COPIES OF WHAT THEY PURPORT TO BE.

	Date:	
Signature of Claimant (if Claimant is an individual filing on his or her own behalf)	_	MM/DD/YY
Print Name of Claimant (if Claimant is an individual filing on his or her own behalf)		
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<u>REMINDER</u>: YOUR CLAIM FORM AND REQUIRED DATA MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY 11:59 P.M. EASTERN TIME ON AUGUST 8, 2022 OR POSTMARKED AND MAILED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 8, 2022.

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173129 Milwaukee, WI 53217

#### COURT APPROVED NOTICE REGARDING

In re Precious Metals Futures Settlement

#### Reminder Checklist:

- 1. Please sign the above release and declaration.
- 2. If this claim is being made on behalf of Joint Claimants, then both must sign.
- 3. Remember to attach copies of supporting documentation.
- 4. Do not send originals of certificates.
- 5. Keep a copy of your Claim Form and all supporting documentation for your records.
- 6. If you plan to mail your Claim Form, we recommend sending it Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
- 7. If you move, please send your new address to the address below.
- 8. Do not use red pen or highlighter on the Claim Form or supporting documentation.

# THIS PROOF OF CLAIM FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 8, 2022 ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Precious Metals Futures Class Action Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173129 Milwaukee, WI 53217

# EXHIBIT B

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IN RE JPMORGAN PRECIOUS METALS SPOOFING LITIGATION

Case No.: 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW)

#### SUMMARY NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

If you purchased or sold any Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures on the Commodity Exchange Inc. ("COMEX") or the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") from March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016, your rights may be affected by a pending class action settlement, and you may be entitled to a portion of the settlement fund.

This Summary Notice is to alert you to a proposed Settlement totaling \$60,000,000 (the "Settlement Amount") reached with JPMorgan Chase & Co. ("JPMorgan") in a pending class action (the "Action").

The United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") authorized this Summary Notice and has appointed the lawyers listed below to represent the Settlement Class in this Action:

Vincent Briganti LOWEY DANNENBERG, P.C. 44 South Broadway, Suite 1100 White Plains, NY 10601 Telephone: (914) 733-7221 Email: vbriganti@lowey.com

#### Who is a member of the Settlement Class?

The proposed Settlement Class consists of all Persons and entities that purchased or sold any Precious Metals Futures or Options on Precious Metals Futures on the COMEX or NYMEX from March 1, 2008 through August 31, 2016 (the "Class Period"). Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) JPMorgan and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of JPMorgan, provided, that any Investment Vehicle shall not be excluded from the Settlement Class, but under no circumstances may JPMorgan (or any of its direct or indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, or divisions) receive a distribution for its own account from the Settlement Fund through an Investment Vehicle; and (ii) the United States Government.

"Precious Metals Futures" means Gold Futures contract(s), Silver Futures contract(s), Platinum Futures contract(s) or Palladium Futures contract(s), and "Options on Precious Metals Futures" means any option on Precious Metals Futures.

The other capitalized terms used in this Summary Notice are defined in the detailed Notice of Proposed Class Action Settlement, July 7, 2022 Fairness Hearing Thereon and Class Members' Rights ("Notice") and in the Settlement Agreement, which are available at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

If you are not sure if you are included in the Settlement Class, you can get more information, including the detailed Notice, at **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** or by calling toll-free 1-877-999-4333 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-414-921-0344).

#### What is this lawsuit about and what does the Settlement provide?

Class Plaintiffs allege that Defendants JPMorgan and three of JPMorgan's former futures traders (John Edmonds, Robert Gottlieb, and Michael Thomas Nowak) unlawfully and intentionally manipulated the prices of gold and silver futures and options contracts traded on the COMEX and platinum and palladium futures and options traded on the NYMEX during the Class Period in violation of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq. and the common law.

JPMorgan maintains that it has good and meritorious defenses to Class Plaintiffs' claims and would prevail if the case were to proceed. Nevertheless, to settle the claims in this lawsuit, and thereby avoid the expense and uncertainty of further litigation, JPMorgan has agreed to pay a total of \$60,000,000 in cash for the benefit of the proposed Settlement Class. If the Settlement is approved, the Settlement Amount, plus interest earned from the date it was established (the "Settlement Fund"), less any Taxes, the reasonable costs of Class Notice and administration, any Court-awarded attorneys' fees, litigation expenses and costs, Incentive Awards for Class Plaintiffs, and any other costs or fees approved by the Court (the "Net Settlement Fund") will be divided among all Class Members who file valid Proof of Claim and Release Forms ("Claim Form").

If the Settlement is approved, the Action will be resolved against all Defendants. If the Settlement is not approved, JPMorgan and the other Defendants will remain as defendants in the Action, and Class Plaintiffs will continue to pursue their claims against Defendants.

#### Will I get a payment?

If you are a member of the Settlement Class and do not opt out, you will be eligible for a payment under the Settlement if you file a Claim Form. You may obtain more information at **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** or by calling toll-free 1-877-999-4333 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-414-921-0344).

Claim Forms must be postmarked by **August 8, 2022** or submitted online at **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** on or before 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on **August 8, 2022**.

#### What are my rights?

If you are a member of the Settlement Class and do not opt out, you will release certain legal rights against JPMorgan, the other Defendants, and Released Parties as explained in the detailed Notice and Settlement Agreement, which are available at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com. If you do not want to take part in the proposed Settlement, you must opt out by May 23, 2022. You may object to the proposed Settlement, the Distribution Plan, and/or Lead Counsel's request for attorneys' fees, payment of litigation costs and expenses, and any Incentive Awards to Class Plaintiffs. If you want to object, you must do so by May 23, 2022. Information on how to opt out or object is contained in the detailed Notice, which is available at www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

#### When is the Fairness Hearing?

The Court will hold a hearing via audio teleconference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse, located at 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007, on July 7, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time to consider whether to finally approve the proposed Settlement, Distribution Plan, the application for an award of attorneys' fees and payment of litigation costs and expenses, and the application for Incentive Awards for the Class Plaintiffs. Any Class Member who wants to participate at the Fairness Hearing can do so remotely by calling the following toll-free number: 1-888-567-1602 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-862-298-0702) on the date and time of the Fairness Hearing. You or your lawyer may ask to participate and speak at the hearing, but you do not have to. Any changes to the time and place of the Fairness Hearing, or other deadlines, will be posted to www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com as soon as is practicable.

For more information, call toll-free 1-877-999-4333 (if calling from outside the United States or Canada, call 1-414-921-0344) or visit www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

# EXHIBIT C

Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. annonce une proposition de règlement d'un recours collectif. Si vous avez acheté ou vendu des contrats à terme ou des options sur les métaux précieux sur le COMEX ou le NYMEX, vos droits peuvent être affectés par le règlement d'un recours collectif en cours.

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## COUR DE DISTRICT DES ÉTATS-UNIS DISTRICT SUD DE NEW-YORK

DANS LE CONTENTIEUX JPMORGAN PORTANT SUR LA MYSTIFICATION EN MATIÈRE DE MÉTAUX PRÉCIEUX

Affaire n° 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW)

## RÉSUMÉ DE LA PROPOSITION DE RÈGLEMENT DU RECOURS COLLECTIF

Si vous avez acheté ou vendu des contrats à terme ou des options sur les métaux précieux sur le Commodity Exchange Inc. (« COMEX ») ou le New York Mercantile Exchange (« NYMEX ») entre le 1er mars 2008 et le 31 août 2016, vos droits peuvent être affectés par le règlement d'un recours collectif en cours et vous pouvez avoir droit à une partie du montant du règlement.

Cet Avis sommaire vise à vous informer de la proposition de règlement d'un montant de **60 000 000 \$** (le « Montant du règlement ») convenu par JPMorgan Chase & Co. (« JPMorgan ») dans le cadre d'un recours collectif (le « Recours »).

La Cour de district des États-Unis pour le District sud de New York (la « Cour ») a autorisé la publication du présent Avis sommaire et a désigné les avocats mentionnés ci-dessous pour représenter le Groupe de personnes concernées par le Règlement dans cette procédure :

Vincent Briganti LOWEY DANNENBERG, P.C. 44 South Broadway, Suite 1100 White Plains, NY 10601 Téléphone: (914) 733-7221

E-mail: vbriganti@lowey.com

#### Qui fait partie du Recours?

Le Groupe concerné par cette proposition de Règlement comprend toutes les personnes et entités qui ont acheté ou vendu des contrats à terme ou des options sur les métaux précieux sur le COMEX ou le NYMEX entre le 1er mars 2008 et le 31 août 2016 (la « Période du recours »). Sont exclus du Groupe du règlement : (i) JPMorgan et les société mère, filiales, sociétés affiliées ou

mandataires de JPMorgan, étant entendu que tout éventuel Instrument de placement ne saurait être exclu du Groupe de règlement sachant qu'en aucun cas JPMorgan (ni aucune de ses société mère, filiales, sociétés affiliées ou divisions) ne pourra recevoir de part du Montant du règlement pour son propre compte par le biais d'un Instrument de placement; et (ii) le gouvernement américain.

Les termes « Contrats à terme sur des métaux précieux » renvoient aux contrats à terme sur l'Or, l'Argent, le Platine ou le Palladium, et les termes « Options sur des métaux précieux » renvoient à toute option d'achat ou de vente de contrats à terme sur des métaux précieux.

Les autres termes employés dans le présent Avis sommaire qui commencent par une majuscule sont définis en détail dans l'Annonce de la proposition de règlement du recours collectif examinée lors de l'Audience sur l'équité (Fairness Hearing) du 7 juillet 2022 portant sur ledit règlement et les Droits des membres du Groupe (l'« Annonce ») et dans l'Accord de règlement, ces deux documents pouvant être consultés sur www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

Si vous n'êtes pas certain(e) de faire partie du Groupe de règlement, vous pouvez obtenir des renseignements complémentaires et consulter le détail de l'Annonce sur **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** ou appeler sans frais le 1-877-999-4333 (si vous appelez de l'extérieur des États-Unis ou du Canada, veuillez composer le 1-414-921-0344).

#### Sur quoi porte la procédure et que prévoit le Règlement?

Les Plaignants du recours collectif allèguent que les Défendeurs JPMorgan et trois anciens traders de contrats à terme de JPMorgan (John Edmonds, Robert Gottlieb et Michael Thomas Nowak) ont manipulé de manière illégale et intentionnelle les prix des contrats à terme et des contrats d'option sur l'or et sur l'argent négociés sur le COMEX, et ceux des contrats à terme et des contrats d'option sur le platine et le palladium négociés sur le NYMEX pendant la Période du recours en violation de la Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq. et de la common law.

JPMorgan réitère avoir des arguments de fond valables contre les allégations des Plaignants du recours collectif qui lui permettraient d'obtenir gain de cause si la procédure suivait son cours. Néanmoins, pour régler les demandes formulées dans le cadre de cette procédure et éviter ainsi les frais et l'incertitude d'un procès, JPMorgan a accepté de régler la somme de 60 000 000 USD au bénéfice du Groupe du règlement proposé. Si le Règlement est approuvé, le Montant du règlement et les intérêts accrus depuis la date de son établissement (les « Fonds du règlement »), déduction faite des Taxes, des frais raisonnables de l'Avis relatif au recours et des frais administratifs, des honoraires d'avocat et frais de procédure adjugés par la Cour, Primes accordées au Plaignants du recours, et autres frais et dépenses agréés par la Cour, (les « Fonds nets du règlement ») seront répartis entre tous les Membres du recours collectif qui auront soumis une Demande de réclamation et les Quittances de règlement (le « Formulaire de réclamation »).

Si le Règlement est approuvé, la procédure sera adjugée à l'encontre des Défendeurs. Si le Règlement n'est pas approuvé, JPMorgan et les autres Défendeurs resteront défendeurs au titre de la procédure et les Plaignants du recours collectif continueront de défendre leurs allégations à l'encontre des Défendeurs.

## Vais-je recevoir un paiement?

Si vous êtes membre du Groupe du règlement et souhaitez en rester membre, vous pourrez prétendre à recevoir un paiement en vertu du Règlement si vous déposez un Formulaire de réclamation. Vous pouvez obtenir des renseignements complémentaires sur **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** ou en appelant sans frais le 1 877 999-4333 (si vous appelez de l'extérieur des États-Unis ou du Canada, veuillez composer le 1 414 921-0344).

Les Formulaires de réclamation doivent être envoyés au plus tard le **8 août 2022**, le cachet de la poste faisant foi, ou soumis en ligne sur **www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com** au plus tard à 23 h 59, heure de l'est, le **8 août 2022**.

#### **Quels sont mes droits?**

Si vous êtes membre du Groupe de règlement et ne souhaitez pas vous en abstraire, vous renoncerez à certains droits légaux à l'encontre de JPMorgan, des autres Défendeurs et des Parties exonérées comme indiqué en détail dans l'Annonce et l'Accord de règlement qui peuvent être consultés sur www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com. Si vous ne souhaitez pas faire partie du Règlement proposé, vous devez faire part de votre refus d'ici le 23 mai 2022. Vous pouvez contester le Règlement proposé, le Programme de répartition et/ou l'adjudication des honoraires d'avocat, des frais de procédures et dépens, et des Primes accordées aux Plaignants du recours collectif demandée par l'avocat principal. Si vous souhaitez contester le Règlement, vous devez le faire d'ici le 23 mai 2022. Vous trouverez des renseignements sur la façon de vous retirer du recours ou de contester le Règlement dans l'Annonce détaillée figurant sur www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

#### Quand est prévue l'audience sur l'équité (Fairness Hearing)?

La Cour tiendra audience par téléconférence à partir de la Cour de district des États-Unis pour le District sud de New York sise à la Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse, au 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007, le 7 juillet 2022 à 15 h,heure de l'est, afin de statuer définitivement sur le Règlement proposé, le Programme de répartition, l'adjudication des honoraires d'avocat et dépens, et l'attribution de Primes aux Plaignants du recours collectif. Tout membre du recours collectif souhaitant participer à l'Audience sur l'équité peuvent le faire à distance en appelant sans frais le 1 888 567-1602 (ou, en cas d'appel de l'extérieur des États-Unis et du Canada, en composant le 1 862 298-0702) le jour et à l'heure de l'Audience. Votre avocat ou vous-même pouvez demander à participer et à prendre la parole lors de l'audience, mais vous n'êtes pas tenus de le faire. Toute modification de l'heure et du lieu de l'Audience, ou d'autres échéances, sera affichée sur www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com dès que possible.

Pour en savoir plus, appelez sans frais le 1 877 999-4333 (si vous appelez de l'extérieur des États-Unis ou du Canada, veuillez composer le 1 414 921-0344) ou consulter le site www.preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com.

\*\*\*\* Veuillez vous abstenir d'appeler la Cour ou le Greffe du tribunal pour obtenir des informations sur le Règlement \*\*\*\* Contact : Vincent Briganti 914 733-7221

Source:

Lowey Dannenberg, P.C.

# EXHIBIT D



# EXHIBIT E



# **EXHIBIT F**

#### JPMorgan Precious Metals Class Action Settlement

Home Notice Proof Of Claim And Release Court Documents Electronic Filing Plan Of Distribution FAQ Contact Information

This official website is maintained by the Settlement Administrator retained and supervised by Class Counsel for the Settlement Lead Members in the action consolidated within *In re JPMorgan Precious Metals Spoofing Litigation*, Case No. 1:18-cv-10356 (GHW) pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

The information contained on this web page is only a summary of information presented in more detail in the Notice, which you can access by clicking here. Since this website is just a summary, you should review the Notice and Settlement Agreement for additional details.



Your legal rights are affected even if you do nothing. Please read the Notice carefully.

IF YOU PURCHASED OR SOLD ANY PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES OR OPTIONS ON PRECIOUS METALS FUTURES ON THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE INC. ("COMEX") OR THE NEW YORK MERCANTILE EXCHANGE ("NYMEX") FROM MARCH 1, 2008 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 (THE "CLASS PERIOD"), YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO A PAYMENT FROM A CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS SETTLEMENT	
DO NOTHING	If you do nothing in connection with this Settlement, you will receive no payment from the Settlement and you will be bound by past and any future Court rulings, including rulings on the Settlement, if approved, and the settlement release. See question 18 of the Notice.
FILE A CLAIM FORM	The only way to receive your share of the Net Settlement Fund is to complete and electronically submit a timely and valid Claim Form to the Settlement Administrator by no later than <b>August 8</b> , <b>2022</b> , or to mail your completed Claim Form so that it is postmarked no later than <b>August 8</b> , <b>2022</b> . See question 12 of the Notice.
EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT	U.S., by a service that provides for guaranteed delivery within five (5) or fewer calendar days of mailing) or deliver a written request to the Settlement Administrator so that it is received by May 23, 2022. If you exclude yourself, you will not be bound by the Settlement, if approved, or settlement release, and you will not be eligible for any payment from the Settlement. See questions 19 - 23 of the Notice.
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT	If you wish to object to the Settlement, you must file a written objection with the Court and serve copies on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel so that it is received by May 23, 2022. You must be and remain within the Settlement Class in order to object. See questions 24 and 25 of the Notice.
PARTICIPATE AT THE FAIRNESS HEARING	You may ask the Court for permission to speak about the Settlement at the Fairness Hearing, which will be held remotely by audio teleconference, by including such a request in your written objection, which you must file with the Court and serve on Lead Counsel and JPMorgan's Counsel so that it is received by May 23, 2022. The Fairness Hearing is scheduled for July 7, 2022. See questions 28 – 30 of the Notice.
APPEAR THROUGH AN ATTORNEY	You may enter an appearance through your own counsel at your own expense. See question 30 of the Notice.

Any change to the Plan of Distribution, the time and place of the Final Approval Hearing, or any other matter, and all further orders or requirements by the Court will be posted on this website as soon as practicable.

It is important that you refer to this website as no other notice may be published of such changes.

Commodities Brokers and other Nominees: Please visit the Institutional E-Filing page of this website.

If you have questions, you may call the Settlement Help Line at 877-999-4333, or email info@preciousmetalsfuturesclassactionsettlement.com

