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**AUTHORITY CONTINUED RETENTION OF THE LAW FIRM
EARL L. NEAL & ASSOCIATES, L.L.C.**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Continued retention of the law firm Earl L. Neal & Associates, L.L.C..

Counsel has continued to retain the firm Earl L. Neal & Associates, L.L.C. to provide legal services in connection with the manufacture of regulatory materials for the 550g program. The General Counsel has reviewed the firm's anticipated fees for the 550g program and has determined that the amount of \$125,000 is reasonable. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

Approval is not applicable to this report.

ISC REVIEW: ISC

FIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: The firm is an MBE

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