

Distribution Fund to Compensate Certain Investors in Americas Energy Common Stock

If you purchased or acquired shares of Americas Energy Company–AECO, formerly Trend Technology Corporation (“Americas”) common stock on September 9, 2009 through the Close of Trading on September 2, 2010 (the “Recovery Period”), and suffered a loss according to the Distribution Plan,¹ you may be eligible for a payment from the Distribution Fund.

NOTICE: The Distribution Fund was established by the District Court for the Northern District of Georgia Atlanta Division (the “Court”) to distribute \$4,315,640.00 in disgorgement, paid by Bruce D. Strebinger (“Strebinger”), Brent Howard Chapman (“Chapman”), and Muskateer Investments, Inc. (collectively, “Defendants”) in settlement of *Securities and Exchange Commission v. Strebinger, et al.* (No. 1:14-cv-03533-LMM). The Distribution Fund is to be distributed to Americas investors harmed as a result of the Defendants’ failure to disclose more than 5% ownership of Americas common stock and Strebinger and Chapman’s coordination of a massive campaign to promote the stock. The Distribution Fund is intended to compensate investors who purchased Americas stock and suffered harm as a result pursuant to the Distribution Plan approved by the Court on May 28, 2019. A copy of the Distribution Plan, which contains a description of all eligibility and other conditions to participation, copies of this Distribution Plan Notice, Proof of Claim Forms, and other important documents relating to the Distribution Fund can be found on the Distribution Fund website, www.SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com, or the Securities and Exchange Commission’s (“SEC” or “Commission”) website at www.SEC.gov.

Who Is Eligible to Participate in the Distribution Fund?

Any person or entity that purchased or acquired Americas common stock on September 9, 2009 through the Close of Trading on September 2, 2010, may be eligible to receive a Distribution Payment from the Distribution Fund, subject to certain other eligibility limitations described in the Distribution Plan.

Eligible Security

Americas common stock purchased or acquired on September 9, 2009 through the Close of Trading on September 2, 2010.

How to Apply?

1. **Instructions for Obtaining and Filing a Proof of Claim Form.** In order to be eligible for a recovery, you must submit a completed Proof of Claim Form on or before the Claims Bar Date. A Proof of Claim Form has been included with this notice. If you require additional forms, you may make copies of the enclosed Proof of Claim Form, download and print the Proof of Claim Form from the website at www.SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com, or request that Epiq Class Action & Claims Solutions, Inc. (“Epiq”),² the Distribution Agent, mail you a Proof of Claim Form by writing to the address below, sending an email to info@SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com, or by calling toll-free at 877-646-8204.
2. Please be sure to provide your complete name and mailing address on the Proof of Claim Form.
3. **All Proof of Claim Forms must be signed and submitted to the address provided below, postmarked by or, if not sent by U.S. Mail, received by the Distribution Agent no later than October 8, 2019. Claims postmarked or, if not sent by U.S. Mail, received after October 8, 2019 will not be eligible to participate in the distribution of the *SEC v. Strebinger Distribution Fund*.**
4. Please note that filing a Proof of Claim Form does not guarantee that you will be eligible for any recovery.

SEC v. Strebinger Distribution Fund
Distribution Agent
P.O. Box 2995
Portland, OR 97208-2995

¹ Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms shall have the same meaning as those set forth in the Distribution Plan as approved by the Court on May 28, 2019.

² Epiq was appointed by the Court to serve as Distribution Agent for the Distribution Fund to assist in overseeing the administration and the distribution of the Distribution Fund, in coordination with the Commission staff, on February 26, 2018.

Questions? Visit www.SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com,
email info@SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com, or call 877-646-8204.

How Much Will My Payment Be?

For complete information on how payments will be calculated, please review the Plan of Allocation, which is Exhibit A to the Distribution Plan. The Distribution Plan can be found on the website at www.SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com. The amount of compensation will vary based on the exact dates of transactions in Americas common stock during the relevant period, the number of shares of Americas common stock purchased and held, and the total dollar value of eligible claims submitted to the Distribution Agent. Distribution Payments shall be made only to Eligible Claimants whose total payment for a claim exceeds \$10.00.

Claim Bar Date

Proof of Claim Forms must be postmarked by or, if not sent by U.S. mail, received by the Distribution Agent no later than 11:59 p.m. on October 8, 2019. If you need assistance in completing the Proof of Claim Form or if you have any questions, please contact the Distribution Agent or visit www.SECvStrebingerDistributionFund.com.

Other Information

This is not a solicitation from a lawyer. Section 21(d)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) prohibits the use of funds disgorged in an action brought by the Commission “as payment for attorneys’ fees or expenses incurred by private parties seeking distribution of the disgorged funds.”

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AND IN ITS ENTIRETY. IF YOU SATISFY THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO A RECOVERY FROM THE DISTRIBUTION FUND. THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR ELIGIBILITY.

SUBMIT YOUR CLAIM NOW!