# EXHIBIT 1

### **EXECUTION VERSION**

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

STEPHEN SULLIVAN, WHITE OAK FUND LP, CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SONTERRA CAPITAL MASTER FUND, LTD., FRONTPOINT PARTNERS TRADING FUND, L.P., AND FRONTPOINT AUSTRALIAN OPPORTUNITIES TRUST on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs.

- against -

BARCLAYS PLC, BARCLAYS BANK PLC,
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC., BNP PARIBAS S.A.,
CITIGROUP, INC., CITIBANK, N.A.,
COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISENBOERENLEENBANK B.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE
S.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE CIB, DEUTSCHE BANK
AG, DB GROUP SERVICES UK LIMITED, HSBC
HOLDINGS PLC, HSBC BANK PLC, ICAP PLC,
ICAP EUROPE LIMITED, J.P. MORGAN CHASE &
CO., JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., THE ROYAL
BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE
SA, UBS AG AND JOHN DOE NOS. 1-50,

Defendants.

Docket No. 13-cv-02811 (PKC)

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT BETWEEN PLAINTIFFS AND SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE

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This Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement ("Agreement" or "Settlement Agreement") is made and entered into this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2023 by and between, on the one hand, Plaintiffs Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System, any subsequently named plaintiff(s) and any assignees of any named plaintiff(s) that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC (each of them a "Plaintiff" and collectively, "Plaintiffs"), for themselves and on behalf of each Class Member and, on the other hand, Defendant Société Générale ("Société Générale"), named as Société Générale S.A., in this Action captioned *Sullivan, et al.* v. *Barclays PLC, et al.*, No. 13-cv-02811. This Agreement is intended by the Settling Parties to fully, finally and forever resolve, discharge and settle the Released Claims against the Released Parties, upon and subject to the terms and conditions hereof.

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2015, Plaintiffs filed their fourth amended class action complaint ("Fourth Amended Class Action Complaint"), asserting 11 claims against Société Générale and other banks and an interdealer broker which alleged: (i) a conspiracy to restrain competition in and to fix the prices of Euribor-based derivatives in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1; (ii) price fixing in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1; (iv) concerted refusal to deal in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1; (v) the manipulation of Euribor and the prices of Euribor-based derivatives, in violation of the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"), 7 U.S.C. §§ 1, et seq.; (vi) vicarious liability for manipulation of Euribor and prices of Euribor-based derivatives, in violation of Section 2(a)(1) of the CEA, 7 U.S.C. § 2(a)(1); (vii) aiding and abetting the manipulation of Euribor and the prices of Euribor-based

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All capitalized terms shall have the meaning set forth herein.

derivatives, in violation of Section 22(a)(1) of the CEA, 7 U.S.C. § 25(a)(1); (viii) racketeering by engaging in wire fraud to transmit false Euribor submissions, in violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("RICO"), 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961, *et seq.*; (ix) conspiracy to violate RICO, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1962(d); (x) unjust enrichment; and (xi) breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Plaintiffs further contend that they suffered monetary damages as a result of Société Générale's alleged conduct;

WHEREAS, Société Générale denies Plaintiffs' allegations and maintains that it has good and meritorious defenses to class certification and to the claims of liability and damages made by Plaintiffs;

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2017, the Court dismissed Plaintiffs' claims asserted against Société Générale and other defendants and, on April 18, 2017, denied Plaintiffs' motion for leave to amend the complaint;

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2019, Plaintiffs filed a Notice of Appeal, and Société Générale and other non-settling defendants filed a Notice of Cross-Appeal on June 28, 2019 to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (the "Second Circuit"), and such Appeals are currently pending in the Second Circuit and docketed as Case Nos. 19-1769 & 19-2012, respectively;

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2022, the Second Circuit granted a motion for limited remand of the appeals with respect to Société Générale only so that the District Court may consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of this proposed settlement;

WHEREAS, arm's-length settlement negotiations have taken place, through counsel, between Société Générale and Plaintiffs, and this Agreement embodies all of the terms and

conditions of the Settlement between Société Générale and Plaintiffs, both individually and on behalf of each Class Member;

WHEREAS, Société Générale agrees to cooperate with Interim Lead Counsel and Plaintiffs as set forth in Section F of this Agreement;

WHEREAS, Interim Lead Counsel have concluded, after due investigation and after carefully considering the relevant circumstances, including, without limitation, the claims asserted in the Action, the legal and factual defenses thereto, and the applicable law, that: (i) it is in the best interests of the Settlement Class to enter into this Agreement to avoid the uncertainties of litigation and to assure that the benefits reflected herein are obtained for the Settlement Class, and (ii) the Settlement set forth herein is fair, reasonable and adequate, and in the best interests of Class Members;

WHEREAS, Société Générale has agreed to enter into this Agreement, while denying the allegations brought in the Action and maintaining that it has meritorious defenses to Plaintiffs' claims of liability and damages and to class certification, to avoid further expense, uncertainty, inconvenience and the distraction of burdensome and protracted litigation, and thereby to resolve this controversy and avoid the risks inherent in complex litigation; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs, for themselves and on behalf of each Class Member, and Société Générale agree that neither this Agreement nor any statement made in the negotiation thereof shall be deemed or construed to be an admission or evidence of: (i) any violation of any statute or law, (ii) any liability or wrongdoing by Société Générale, or (iii) the truth of any of the claims or allegations alleged in the Action;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED by and among Plaintiffs (for themselves and each Settling Class Member) and Société Générale, by and through their respective counsel or

attorneys of record, that, subject to the approval of the Court, the Action as against Société Générale shall be finally and fully settled, dismissed and releases extended and exchanged, as set forth below:

#### A. **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. As used in this Agreement, the following capitalized terms have the meanings specified below.
  - 1.1. "Action" means *Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al.*, No. 13-cv-02811, currently pending in the S.D.N.Y., together with the currently pending Appeals.
  - 1.2. "Agreement" or "Settlement Agreement" means this Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement, together with any exhibits attached hereto, which are incorporated herein by reference.
  - 1.3. "Appeals" means the appeal and cross-appeal currently pending in the Second Circuit, styled as *Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al.*, Case No. 19-1769, and *Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al.*, Case No. 19-2012, respectively.
  - 1.4. "Authorized Claimant" means any Settling Class Member who, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, is entitled to a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund pursuant to any Distribution Plan or order of the Court.
  - 1.5. "Business Day" means any days from Monday through Friday, inclusive, that are not holidays in the United States. For the avoidance of doubt, Business Days shall be defined with reference to Eastern Standard Time (EST).
  - 1.6. "Claims Administrator" means the Notice and/or Claims Administrator(s) to be approved by the Court.
    - 1.7. "Class" or "Settlement Class" shall have the meaning set forth in  $\P$  5.

- 1.8. "Class Member" or "Settlement Class Member" means a Person who is a member of the Settlement Class.
  - 1.9. "Class Period" means June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011.
- 1.10. "Court" means the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, also referred to herein as the "S.D.N.Y."
  - 1.11. "Société Générale" means Defendant Société Générale.
- 1.12. "Defendants" means Société Générale, together with Barclays PLC, Barclays Bank PLC, Barclays Capital Inc., Citigroup, Inc., Citibank, N.A., Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A. (f/k/a Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.), Deutsche Bank AG, DB Group Services UK Limited, HSBC Holdings plc, HSBC Bank plc, ICAP plc, ICAP Europe Limited, J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Crédit Agricole S.A., Crédit Agricole CIB, UBS AG and John Doe Nos. 1-50.
- 1.13. "Dismissed Defendants" means Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A. (f/k/a Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.); The Royal Bank of Scotland plc; Société Générale; UBS AG; ICAP plc; ICAP Europe Ltd.; and any other defendant previously dismissed from the Action.
- 1.14. "Distribution Plan" means any plan or formula of allocation of the Settlement Fund, to be approved by the Court, whereby the Net Settlement Fund shall in the future be distributed to Authorized Claimants.
- 1.15. "Effective Date" means the first date by which all of the events and conditions specified in ¶ 34 have occurred.

- 1.16. "Escrow Agent" means the entity designated by Interim Lead Counsel with the consent of Société Générale (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), and any successor agent, to maintain the Settlement Fund. Interim Lead Counsel anticipates that the Escrow Agent will be Citibank, N.A.
  - 1.17. "Euribor" means the Euro Interbank Offered Rate.
- 1.18. "Euribor Products" means any and all interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements, futures, options, structured products, and any other instrument or transaction related in any way to Euribor, including but not limited to, NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures contracts and options, CME Euro currency futures contracts and options, Euro currency forward agreements, Euribor-based swaps, Euribor-based forward rate agreements and/or any other financial instruments that reference Euribor.
- 1.19. "Execution Date" means the date on which this Agreement is executed by the last party to do so.
- 1.20. "Final" means, with respect to Judgment, that it represents a final and binding determination of all issues within its scope and is not subject to further review on appeal or otherwise. For purposes of this ¶ 1.20, an "appeal" includes appeals as of right, discretionary appeals, interlocutory appeals, proceedings involving writs of certiorari or mandamus, and any other proceedings of like kind. Any appeal or other proceeding pertaining solely to any order adopting or approving the Distribution Plan, and/or any order issued in respect of an application for attorneys' fees and expenses pursuant to ¶ 30, shall not in any way delay or prevent the Judgment from becoming Final.
- 1.21. "Final Approval Order" means the Court's approval of the Settlement following preliminary approval thereof, notice to the Class and a hearing on the fairness of

the Settlement, the form of which shall be mutually agreed upon by the Settling Parties and submitted to the Court substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B for approval thereof.

- 1.22. "Incentive Award" means any award by the Court to Plaintiffs as described in ¶¶ 19 and 30.
- 1.23. "Interim Lead Counsel" means Lowey Dannenberg, P.C., and Lovell Stewart Halebian Jacobson LLP.
- 1.24. "Investment Vehicles" means any investment company, separately managed account or pooled investment fund, including, but not limited to: (i) mutual fund families, exchange-traded funds, fund of funds and hedge funds; and (ii) employee benefit plans.
- 1.25. "JAMS" means JAMS, Inc., formerly known as Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, a provider of alternative dispute resolution services.
- 1.26. "Judgment" means the order of judgment and dismissal of the Action with prejudice as to Société Générale, the form of which shall be mutually agreed upon by the Settling Parties and submitted to the Court substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C for approval thereof.
- 1.27. "Net Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Fund less the payments set forth in ¶¶ 19.1 to 19.6.
- 1.28. "Notice" means the form of notice of the proposed Settlement to be provided to Class Members as provided in this Agreement and the Preliminary Approval Order, the form and substance of which shall be mutually agreed upon by the Settling Parties and submitted to the Court for approval thereof. The Notice shall describe the

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Settlement and advise the Class Members of the scheduling of the Settlement Hearing and of any applicable procedures for submitting objections to the Settlement.

- 1.29. "Other Settlement" means any stipulation and/or agreement of settlement Plaintiffs reach with any other Defendant involving this Action that will be submitted to the Court for notice and approval at the same time as this Agreement.
- 1.30. "Person(s)" means a natural person, corporation, limited liability corporation, professional corporation, limited liability partnership, partnership, limited partnership, association, joint-stock company, joint venture, estate, legal representative, trust, unincorporated association, proprietorship, municipality, state, state agency, entity that is a creature of any state, any government, governmental or quasi-governmental body or political subdivision, authority, office, bureau, agency or instrumentality of the government, any business or legal entity, or any other entity or organization; and any spouses, heirs, predecessors, successors, representatives, or assignees of any of the foregoing.
- 1.31. "Plaintiffs" means Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System, any subsequently named plaintiff(s) and any assignees of any named plaintiff(s) that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC.
- 1.32. "Plaintiffs' Counsel" means (i) Interim Lead Counsel and (ii) any other attorney or law firm that represents Plaintiffs and seeks to receive any portion of the attorneys' fees that may be awarded by the Court in connection with this Settlement.
- 1.33. "Preliminary Approval Order" means an order entered by the Court providing for preliminary approval of the Settlement, including certification of the Class

for purposes of the Settlement only, the form of which shall be mutually agreed upon by the Settling Parties and submitted to the Court substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A for approval thereof.

- 1.34. "Proof of Claim and Release" means the form to be sent to Class Members, as ordered by the Court, by which any Settling Class Member may make a claim against the Net Settlement Fund.
- 1.35. "Released Claims" means any and all manner of claims, including, without limitation, 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, or damages, whenever incurred, or 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, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity, against the Released Parties arising from or relating in any way to conduct alleged in the Action or which could have been alleged in the Action against the Released Parties concerning Euribor, any Euribor Products or any similar financial instruments priced, benchmarked, or settled to Euribor purchased, sold, held, traded, and/or transacted by the Plaintiffs, Class Members, and/or Settling Class Members (to the extent such similar financial instruments were entered into by a U.S. Person, or by a Person from or through a location within the U.S.), or in which any of the foregoing otherwise had any interest,

including, but not limited to, any alleged manipulation of Euribor or Euribor Products under the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. or any other statute, regulation, or common law, or any purported conspiracy, collusion, racketeering activity, or other improper conduct relating to Euribor (including, but not limited to, all claims under Section 1 of the Sherman Antitrust Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961-1968, and any other federal or state statute, regulation, or common law). The following claims shall not be released by this Settlement: (i) any claims against former employees of Société Générale arising solely from those former employees' conduct that occurred while not employed by Société Générale; (ii) any claims against the named Defendants in this Action other than Société Générale; (iii) any claims against interdealer brokers or their employees or agents when and to the extent they were engaged as employees or agents of the other Defendants or interdealer brokers; or (iv) any claims against any Defendant not affiliated with Société Générale who may be subsequently added in this Action. For the avoidance of doubt, Released Claims do not include claims arising under foreign law based solely on transactions executed entirely outside the United States by Settling Class Members domiciled outside the United States.

1.36. "Released Parties" or ("Releasees") means Société Générale, its predecessors, successors and assigns, its direct and indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and joint ventures, and each of their respective current and former officers, directors, employees, managers, members, partners, agents (in their capacity as agents of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), shareholders (in their capacity as shareholders of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), 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. For the avoidance of doubt, "Released Parties" shall not include any named Defendants other than Société Générale as defined herein.

1.37. "Releasing Parties" (or "Releasors") means each and every Plaintiff, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and each and every Settling Class Member on their 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 and any other Person legally entitled to bring Released Claims on their behalf or by reason of their relationship to any of the foregoing Persons. Notwithstanding that the U.S. Government is excluded from the Settlement Class, with respect to any Settling 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 Released Claims on behalf of one or more of Plaintiffs, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and Settling Class Members.

1.38. "Settlement" means the settlement of the Released Claims set forth herein.

- 1.39. "Settlement Amount" means the total amount of one hundred and five million U.S. dollars (\$105,000,000.00) of which up to seven hundred fifty thousand U.S. dollars (\$750,000.00) may be used prior to entry of the Final Approval Order for (i) reasonable costs of the Notice and the Claims Administrator ("Notice and Administrative Costs"); and (ii) reasonable costs of the Escrow Agent ("Escrow Agent Costs"). In addition, Taxes and Tax Expenses (as defined in ¶ 14.2) may be paid as incurred, and shall receive priority treatment as to Notice and Administrative Costs and Escrow Agent Costs.
- 1.40. "Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Amount plus any interest that may accrue thereon.
- 1.41. "Settlement Hearing" means the hearing scheduled by the Court to consider the fairness, adequacy, and reasonableness of the proposed Settlement.
- 1.42. "Settling Class Member" means Plaintiffs and other members of the Settlement Class who do not timely and validly exclude themselves from the Settlement pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(c) and in accordance with the procedure to be established by the Court.
- 1.43. "Settling Party" means Société Générale or any Plaintiff (for itself and on behalf of each Settling Class Member).
- 1.44. "Settling Parties" means Société Générale and Plaintiffs (for themselves and on behalf of each Settling Class Member).

### B. APPEAL SEVERANCE AND REMAND

2. Plaintiffs and Société Générale have jointly and expeditiously caused the Appeals to be severed and stayed as to Société Générale and the Action remanded to the Court for settlement approval proceedings pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e).

## C. PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ORDER, NOTICE ORDER AND SETTLEMENT HEARING

- 3. **Reasonable Best Efforts to Effectuate this Settlement.** The Settling Parties agree to cooperate with one another to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate and implement the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to exercise their reasonable best efforts to accomplish the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 4. **Motion for Preliminary Approval and Stay.** Within sixty (60) calendar days after the Execution Date, Interim Lead Counsel shall submit this Agreement to the Court and shall file a motion for entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. Interim Lead Counsel shall also move to stay all proceedings in the Action against Société Générale until the Court renders a final decision on approval of the Settlement. The stay request may be included in Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Approval.

### 5. Stipulation to Certification of a Settlement Class.

5.1. The Settling Parties hereby stipulate for purposes of the Settlement only that the following Class shall be certified:

All Persons who purchased, sold, held, traded or otherwise had any interest in Euribor Products from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, who were either domiciled in the United States or its territories or, if domiciled outside the United States or its territories, transacted in Euribor Products in the United States or its territories from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, including, but not limited to, all Persons who traded CME Euro currency futures contracts, all Persons who transacted in NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures and options from a location within the United States, and all Persons who traded any other Euribor Product from a location within the United States. Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government.

Notwithstanding the sentence in Paragraph 5.1 above that "[e]xcluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of any

Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government," and solely for the purposes of this Settlement and this Settlement Class, the Settling Parties agree that Investment Vehicles are not excluded from the Settlement Class solely on the basis of their being deemed to be a Defendant or affiliates or subsidiaries of a Defendant. However, to the extent that any Defendant or any entity that might be deemed to be an affiliate or subsidiary thereof (i) managed or advised, and (ii) directly or indirectly held a beneficial interest in, said Investment Vehicle during the Class Period, that Defendant's beneficial interest in the Investment Vehicle is excluded from the Settlement Class.

- 5.2. Plaintiffs shall file an application seeking the certification of the Settlement Class as described herein pursuant to Rules 23(a) and 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Unless the Settlement is terminated, Société Générale shall take no position with respect to any motion for class certification the Plaintiffs anticipate filing and/or file in connection with their claims against other Defendants in the Action.
- 5.3. If the Settlement as described herein is disapproved by any court, is terminated as provided herein, or is reversed or vacated following any appeal taken therefrom, then this stipulation for the purposes of Settlement that the above Class should be certified becomes null and void, and any Court order certifying a class for the purposes of this Settlement shall be vacated, and Société Générale reserves all rights to contest that the Action should be certified as a class action.
- 5.4. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude Société Générale from (i) opposing motions for class certification or from taking positions in actions other than the Action and (ii) opposing motions for class certification or from taking any other positions

in the Action if the Settlement is terminated. If the Settlement is terminated, the Settling Parties agree neither this Agreement nor any documents or communications regarding the negotiation of the Agreement shall be admissible in the Action.

6. Notice to Class. Interim Lead Counsel shall be responsible for selecting a Claims Administrator to be approved by the Court, and Société Générale shall not object to Interim Lead Counsel's selection. In the event that the Court preliminarily approves the Settlement, Interim Lead Counsel shall, in accordance with Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Preliminary Approval Order, provide Class Members whose identities can be determined after reasonable efforts with reasonable notice of the Settlement. The Notice may be sent solely for this Settlement or combined with notice of any Other Settlement or of any litigation class. The Notice shall also explain the general terms of the Settlement set forth in this Agreement, the general terms of the proposed Distribution Plan, the general terms of the Fee and Expense Application (as defined in ¶ 30), and a description of Class Members' rights to object to the Settlement, request exclusion from the Class, and appear at the Settlement Hearing. The text of the Notice shall be agreed upon by Interim Lead Counsel and Société Générale before its submission to the Court for approval thereof. The cost of providing the Notice to Class Members in the manner set forth above shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund, and the Claims Administrator, at the direction of Interim Lead Counsel, shall administer dissemination of the Notice. Société Générale agrees to provide the Claims Administrator with reasonably available contact information for Settlement Class counterparties to Euribor Products they transacted with during the Class Period for the purpose of mailing the Notice, to the extent not prevented from doing so by any court order or any law, regulation, policy, or other guidance or rule of any regulatory agency or governmental body restricting disclosure of such information. Such contact information shall be deemed Highly

Confidential and covered by the Stipulation and Protective Order in the Action. Moreover, any information provided by Société Générale pursuant to this provision shall be used by the Claims Administrator solely for purposes of providing notice and administering and verifying claims with regard to the Settlement, and any distribution of such information to Interim Lead Counsel or otherwise shall be strictly limited to what is necessary for those purposes, unless otherwise agreed to by the Settling Parties in writing. If Société Générale reasonably concludes in good faith that it is necessary or advisable, in Société Générale's sole discretion, as a result of domestic or foreign data protection, privacy, or bank secrecy law requirements or any other law, rule or regulation, Société Générale may (i) retain a third-party agent, to be paid from the Settlement Fund as a Notice and Administrative Cost, to provide the Notice to Class Members who cannot be included in the general class-wide notice process; or (ii) provide counterparty information only to the Claims Administrator for purposes of distributing the Notice. In the event that the Settlement is not approved, Plaintiffs will not be required to return to Société Générale reasonable, already disbursed or incurred Notice and Administrative Costs and Escrow Agent Costs, together up to an aggregate maximum of \$750,000, or Taxes and Tax Expenses (as defined in ¶ 14.2) incurred subject to Paragraph 39 below. Société Générale shall bear the costs and responsibility of timely serving notice of the Settlement as required by the Class Action Fairness Act ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1715, and shall do so in a timely manner. Société Générale shall also cause a copy of such notice as well as proof of service of such notice to be provided to Interim Lead Counsel.

7. **Publication.** Interim Lead Counsel shall cause to be published a summary ("Summary Notice") in accord with the Notice submitted to the Court by Interim Lead Counsel and approved by the Court. Société Générale shall have no responsibility for providing publication or distribution of the Settlement or any notice of the Settlement to Class Members or for paying

for the cost of providing notice of this Settlement to Class Members. The Settling Parties shall mutually agree on any content relating to Société Générale that will be used by Interim Lead Counsel and/or the Claims Administrator in any Settlement-related press release or other media publications, including on websites.

- 8. **Motion for Final Approval and Entry of Final Judgment.** After Notice is issued and prior to the date of the Settlement Hearing set by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order, to the extent permitted by the Court, Interim Lead Counsel shall make a motion to the Court for the final approval of the Settlement, and the Settling Parties shall jointly seek entry of the Final Approval Order and Judgment on substantially the following terms:
  - 8.1. certifying solely for settlement purposes the Settlement Class;
  - 8.2. fully and finally approving the Settlement contemplated by this Agreement as fair, reasonable and adequate within the meaning of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and directing its consummation pursuant to its terms and conditions;
  - 8.3. finding that the Notice constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances and complied in all respects with the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and due process;
  - 8.4. finding that Société Générale has complied with the obligations imposed by the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, 28 U.S.C. § 1715;
  - 8.5. directing that the Action be dismissed with prejudice as to Société Générale only and, except as provided for herein, without costs;
    - 8.6. discharging and releasing the Released Claims as to the Releasees;

- 8.7. permanently barring and enjoining the institution and prosecution by Releasors of any lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding against the Releasees in any jurisdiction asserting any of the Released Claims;
- 8.8. barring claims by any Person against the Releasees for contribution or indemnification or similar claims (however denominated), arising out of or related to the Released Claims, for all or a portion of any amounts paid or awarded in the Action by way of settlement, judgment, or otherwise;
- 8.9. reserving the Court's continuing and exclusive jurisdiction over the Settlement, including all future proceedings concerning the administration and enforcement of this Agreement, subject to the terms of ¶ 24.7;
- 8.10. determining pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that there is no just reason for delay and directing entry of a Final Judgment as to Société Générale; and
- 8.11. containing such other and further provisions consistent with the terms of this Agreement to which the Settling Parties expressly consent in writing.
- 9. Sufficiently before the Settlement Hearing, Plaintiffs' Counsel will timely request that the Court approve the Fee and Expense Application (as defined in ¶ 30). As set forth in ¶ 32, the Fee and Expense Application and the Distribution Plan are matters separate and apart from the Settlement between the Settling Parties. If the Fee and Expense Application or the Distribution Plan are not approved, in whole or in part, it will have no effect on the finality of the Final Approval Order approving the Settlement and the Judgment dismissing the Action with prejudice as to Société Générale.

### D. SETTLEMENT FUND

- Payments Made by Société Générale. Société Générale shall cause a total of no 10. more than one hundred and five million U.S. dollars (\$105,000,000.00), the Settlement Amount, to be deposited by wire transfer into an interest-bearing Escrow Account controlled by Interim Lead Counsel within ten (10) Business Days after the Court enters an order preliminarily approving the Settlement. The ten (10) Business Day time period shall not begin to run unless and until Interim Lead Counsel provides appropriate wire instructions and a Form W-9 to Société Générale's counsel. All interest earned on any portion of the Settlement Amount paid into the Settlement Fund shall be added to and become part of the Settlement Fund. This is not a claimsmade settlement. Except as provided in ¶ 37, the Settlement Amount shall not be subject to reduction, and, upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, no funds may be returned to Société Générale through reversion or other means. The Escrow Agent shall only act in accordance with instructions mutually agreed upon by the Settling Parties in writing. Other than the payment of the Settlement Amount as set forth in this ¶ 10, Société Générale shall have no responsibility for any interest, costs or other monetary payment, including any attorneys' fees and expenses, Incentive Award, taxes, or costs of notice or claims administration, except that Société Générale shall be responsible for Notice as required by CAFA, 28 U.S.C. § 1715, as set forth in ¶ 6.
- 11. **Disbursements Prior to Effective Date.** No amount may be disbursed from the Settlement Fund prior to the Effective Date, except that, upon written notice to the Escrow Agent by Interim Lead Counsel with a copy to Société Générale: (a) Taxes and Tax Expenses as defined in ¶ 14.2 may be paid from the Settlement Fund as they become due; (b) Notice and Administrative Costs may be paid from the Settlement Fund as they become due; (c) Escrow Agent Costs may be paid from the Settlement Fund as they become due; and (d) any attorneys' fees and expenses awarded by the Court, as set forth in ¶ 30, shall be payable from the Settlement Fund upon award,

to the extent permitted pursuant to ¶ 30. Interim Lead Counsel shall attempt in good faith to minimize the amount of Escrow Agent Costs and Notice and Administrative Costs to the extent consistent with providing reasonable notice to Class Members and/or acting in accordance with Court orders.

- 12. **Refund of the Settlement Fund by Escrow Agent.** If the Settlement is disapproved by any court or is terminated as provided herein, or the Judgment is overturned on appeal or by writ, the Settlement Fund, including all accrued interest earned on such amount while held in the Escrow Account, and excluding any amounts for reasonable, already disbursed or incurred Notice and Administrative Costs and Escrow Agent Costs (together up to an aggregate maximum \$750,000), will be refunded, reimbursed and repaid by the Escrow Agent to Société Générale as provided in ¶ 39.
- No Additional Payments by Société Générale. Under no circumstances will Société Générale be required to pay more than the Settlement Amount. For the avoidance of doubt, and as provided in ¶¶ 17 and 19, the payment of any Fee and Expense Award (as defined in ¶ 30), Notice and Administrative Costs, Taxes and Tax Expenses (as defined in ¶ 14.2), Escrow Agent Costs, and any other costs associated with the implementation of this Agreement, shall be paid exclusively from the Settlement Fund. This Settlement is not a claims-made settlement and, if all conditions of the Settlement are satisfied, and the Judgment is entered and becomes Final, no portion of the Settlement Fund will be returned to Société Générale, irrespective of the number of claims filed, the collective amount of losses of Authorized Claimants, the percentage of recovery of losses, or the amounts to be paid to Authorized Claimants.
- 14. **Taxes.** The Settling Parties and the Escrow Agent agree to treat the Settlement Fund as being at all times a "qualified settlement fund" within the meaning of Treas. Reg.

§ 1.468B–l. The Escrow Agent shall timely make such elections as necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this ¶ 14, including the "relation-back election" (as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.468B–l) back to the earliest permitted date. Such elections shall be made in compliance with the procedures and requirements contained in such regulations. It shall be the responsibility of the Escrow Agent to prepare and deliver timely and properly the necessary documentation for signature by all necessary parties, and thereafter to cause the appropriate filing to occur.

- 14.1. For the purpose of § 468B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, the "administrator" shall be the Escrow Agent and/or Claims Administrator. The Escrow Agent and/or Claims Administrator shall satisfy the administrative requirements imposed by Treas. Reg. § 1.468B–2 by, *e.g.*, (a) obtaining a taxpayer identification number, (b) satisfying any information reporting or withholding requirements imposed on distributions from the Settlement Fund, and (c) timely and properly filing applicable federal, state and local tax returns necessary or advisable with respect to the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treas. Reg. § 1.468B–2(k)) and paying any taxes reported thereon. Such returns (as well as the election described in this ¶ 14) shall be consistent with this ¶ 14 and in all events shall reflect that all Taxes, as defined in ¶ 14.2, on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid from the Settlement Fund as provided in ¶ 19.
- 14.2. All (a) taxes (including any estimated taxes, interest or penalties) arising with respect to the income earned by the Settlement Fund, including, without limitation, any taxes or tax detriments that may be imposed upon Société Générale or its counsel with respect to any income earned by the Settlement Fund for any period during which the

Settlement Fund does not qualify as a "qualified settlement fund" for federal or state income tax purposes (collectively, "Taxes"), and (b) expenses and costs incurred in connection with the operation and implementation of this ¶ 14, including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys and/or accountants and mailing and distribution costs and expenses relating to filing (or failing to file) the returns described in this ¶ 14 (collectively, "Tax Expenses"), shall be paid from the Settlement Fund; in all events, Société Générale and its counsel shall have no liability or responsibility for the Taxes or the Tax Expenses. With funds from the Settlement Fund, the Escrow Agent shall indemnify and hold harmless Société Générale and its counsel for Taxes and Tax Expenses (including, without limitation, Taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification). Further, Taxes and Tax Expenses shall be treated as, and considered to be, a cost of administration of the Settlement Fund and shall timely be paid by the Escrow Agent out of the Settlement Fund without prior order from the Court and the Escrow Agent shall be obligated (notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary) to withhold from distribution to Authorized Claimants any funds necessary to pay such amounts, including the establishment of adequate reserves for any Taxes and Tax Expenses (as well as any amounts that may be required to be withheld under Treas. Reg. § 1.468B–2(I)(2)); neither Société Générale nor its counsel is responsible therefor, nor shall they have any liability therefor. The Settling Parties agree to cooperate with the Escrow Agent, each other, and their tax attorneys and accountants to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this ¶ 14.

### 15. Plaintiffs' Release and Covenant Not to Sue.

15.1. Upon the Effective Date, and in exchange for the receipt of the Settlement Amount provided for herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged,

the Releasors, and any other Person claiming against the Settlement Fund (now or in the future) through or on behalf of any Releasor, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and the Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged Releasees from any and all Released Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from instituting, commencing or prosecuting any such Released Claim against any Releasee in any lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding against any Releasee in any court or venue in any jurisdiction worldwide. Each Releasor shall be deemed to have released all Released Claims against the Releasees regardless of whether any such Releasor ever seeks or obtains by any means, including, without limitation, by submitting a Proof of Claim and Release, any distribution from the Settlement Fund or Net Settlement Fund. The releases set forth herein are given pursuant to New York law, including N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108 which bars claims for contribution by joint tortfeasors and other similar claims, and are to be construed under New York law without regard to its conflict of law principles.

15.2. This Agreement is expressly intended to absolve Releasees against any claims for contribution, indemnification, or similar claims from other Defendants in the Action or any defendant who may be subsequently added to this Action, arising out of or related to the Released Claims, in the manner and to the fullest extent permitted under the law of New York (including, without limitation, N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108) or any other jurisdiction that might be construed or deemed to apply to any claims for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against any Releasee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, should any court determine that any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action is or was legally entitled to any kind of contribution or indemnification from

Société Générale arising out of or related to Released Claims, the Releasors agree that any money judgment subsequently obtained by the Releasors against any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action shall be reduced to an amount such that, upon paying the entire amount, the Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action would have no claim for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against Société Générale.

- 15.3. Except in the event of termination of this Settlement, the Settling Parties agree not to assert under Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, or any similar law, rule or regulation, that the Action was brought or defended in bad faith or without a reasonable basis.
- 16. Unknown Claims/California Civil Code Section 1542. Although the release set forth in ¶ 15 is not a general release, such release constitutes a waiver of any and all rights arising under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (to the extent it applies to the Action), which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

The release set forth in ¶ 15 also constitutes a waiver of any and all provisions, rights, and benefits of any federal, state, or foreign law, rule, regulation, or principle of law or equity that is similar, comparable, equivalent to, or which has the effect of, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code. The Settling Class Members acknowledge that they are aware that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to, or different from, those facts which they know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement, but that it is their intention to release fully, finally, and

forever all of the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. In entering and making this Agreement, the Settling Parties assume the risk of any mistake of fact or law, and the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding any mistake of fact or law.

- Plaintiffs' Counsel shall be reimbursed and paid solely out of the Settlement Fund for all expenses including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and past, current, or future litigation expenses, and any Incentive Award approved by the Court. Société Générale shall have no responsibility for any costs, fees, or expenses, including, but not limited to, Notice and Administrative Costs, Taxes, Tax Expenses, and Escrow Agent Costs, incurred with respect to this Settlement, except that Société Générale will only be responsible for notice to the extent required by CAFA, 28 U.S.C. § 1715.
- Defendant's Release. Upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Société Générale shall release and be deemed to release and forever discharge, and shall forever be enjoined from prosecuting any and all claims against Plaintiffs, the Settling Class Members, and their counsel arising out of or relating to the institution, prosecution, and resolution of the Released Claims in the Action; provided, however, that this paragraph does not release or discharge any claim or right Société Générale may have to enforce this Agreement, or any claim or right Société Générale may otherwise have arising out of or relating to any Euribor Product that any Plaintiff or Class Member purchased from, sold to, or otherwise transacted with Société Générale, including any claim or right to enforce the terms of any such Euribor Product.

### E. ADMINISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF SETTLEMENT FUND

- 19. **Distribution of Settlement Fund.** The Claims Administrator, subject to such supervision and direction of the Court and/or Interim Lead Counsel as may be necessary or as circumstances may require, shall administer the claims submitted by Settling Class Members and shall oversee the distribution of the Settlement Fund pursuant to the Distribution Plan. Subject to the terms of this Agreement and any order(s) of the Court, upon the Effective Date (or earlier if permitted in accordance with ¶ 11), the Settlement Fund shall be applied in the order and as follows:
  - 19.1. To pay the Taxes on the Settlement Fund and Tax Expenses in connection thereto;
    - 19.2. To pay Notice and Administrative Costs;
    - 19.3. To pay Escrow Agent Costs;
  - 19.4. To pay all costs and expenses reasonably and actually incurred in assisting Settling Class Members with the filing and processing of claims against the Net Settlement Fund;
    - 19.5. To pay any Fee and Expense Award, as defined in ¶ 30;
    - 19.6. To pay any Incentive Award, as defined in ¶ 30; and
  - 19.7. To distribute the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants as allowed by the Agreement, any Distribution Plan or order of the Court.
- 20. **Distribution of Net Settlement Fund.** Upon the Effective Date and thereafter, and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the Distribution Plan, and any order(s) of the Court as may be necessary or as circumstances may require, the Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants, subject to and in accordance with the following:

- 20.1. Each Settling Class Member who claims to be an Authorized Claimant shall be required to submit to the Claims Administrator a verified completed Proof of Claim and Release supported by such documents as specified in the Proof of Claim and Release and as are reasonably available to such Settling Class Member;
- 20.2. Except as otherwise ordered by the Court, each Settling Class Member who fails to submit a Proof of Claim and Release within such period as may be ordered by the Court, or otherwise allowed, shall be forever barred from receiving any payments pursuant to this Agreement and the Settlement set forth herein, but shall in all other respects be subject to and bound by the provisions of this Agreement, the releases contained in this Agreement, and the Judgment;
- 20.3. The Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants, and in no event shall there be any reversion to Société Générale. The distribution to Authorized Claimants shall be substantially in accordance with the Distribution Plan previously approved by the Court upon such further notice to the Class as may be required. Interim Lead Counsel has developed the Distribution Plan that has been submitted to the Court. If Interim Lead Counsel modifies the Distribution Plan, Interim Lead Counsel will provide Société Générale with the revised Distribution Plan at least five (5) Business Days before it is submitted to the Court. Société Générale shall take no position with respect to the Distribution Plan or any revisions to the Distribution Plan. Any such Distribution Plan is not a part of this Agreement. No funds from the Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants until the later of (i) the Effective Date; or (ii) the date by which the Distribution Plan has received final approval and the time for any further appeals with respect to the Distribution Plan has expired; and

- 20.4. Each Settling Class Member shall be subject to and bound by the provisions of this Agreement, the releases contained herein, and the Judgment, regardless of whether such Class Member seeks or obtains by any means, including, without limitation, by submitting a Proof of Claim and Release or any similar document, any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund.
- 21. **No Liability for Distribution of Settlement Funds.** The Releasees and their counsel shall have no responsibility for, interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund, the Distribution Plan, the determination, administration or calculation of claims, the payment or withholding of Taxes or Tax Expenses, the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, or any losses incurred in connection with any such matters. Effective immediately upon the Execution Date, the Releasors hereby fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish, and discharge the Releasees and their counsel from any and all such liability. No Person shall have any claim against Plaintiffs' Counsel or the Claims Administrator based on distributions made substantially in accordance with the Agreement and the Settlement contained herein, the Distribution Plan, or further orders of the Court.
- 22. **Balance Remaining in Net Settlement Fund.** If there is any balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund (whether by reason of tax refunds, uncashed checks or otherwise) following distribution pursuant to ¶ 20, Interim Lead Counsel shall submit an additional distribution plan to the Court for approval. If any portion of the Net Settlement Fund remains following distribution pursuant to ¶ 20 and is of such an amount that, in the discretion of the Claims Administrator, it is not cost-effective or efficient to redistribute to the Settlement Class, then such remaining funds, after payment of any further Taxes and Tax Expenses, Notice and Administrative

Costs, Escrow Agent Costs, and other costs and expenses authorized herein, shall be donated to a non-profit charitable organization recommended by Plaintiffs and approved by the Court.

### F. SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE'S COOPERATION

- Stay Except As Provided Herein. The Settling Parties agree that all proceedings and deadlines in the Action, including with respect to discovery, except with respect to Société Générale's cooperation obligations as provided in ¶ 24 to 29, shall remain stayed pending the Court's entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. The stay will automatically be dissolved if (a) the Court does not enter the Preliminary Approval Order, the Final Approval Order or the Judgment, or (b) the Court enters the Final Approval Order and the Judgment and appellate review is sought and, on such review, the Final Approval Order or the Judgment is finally vacated, modified or reversed, unless, as set forth in ¶ 37, the Settling Parties, in their sole discretion within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the mailing of such ruling to such Settling Parties, provide written notice to all other Settling Parties hereto of their intent to proceed with the Settlement under the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order, the Final Approval Order or the Judgment, as modified by the Court or on appeal.
- 24. **Société Générale's Cooperation.** In the event the Action is eventually remanded from the Second Circuit to the Court for further prosecution against any Dismissed Defendant, Société Générale shall provide reasonable cooperation in the Action, including discovery cooperation, requested by Interim Lead Counsel, to benefit the Settlement Class, as set forth in ¶¶ 24 to 29. All cooperation shall be coordinated in such a manner so that all unnecessary duplication and expense are avoided. Any assessment whether the cooperation provided by Société Générale is reasonable for purposes of this Agreement will include consideration of the burden

and expense associated with such cooperation, including, for example, the extent to which Société Générale would need to restore electronic records to comply with such request.

- 24.1. Société Générale's cooperation obligations shall apply only to Releasors who act with, by or through Plaintiffs' Counsel pursuant to this Agreement.
- 24.2. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, Société Générale shall have no obligation to produce any document or provide any information that is either: (a) privileged under the attorney-client, work product doctrine, joint-defense privilege or common interest doctrine, bank examination privilege or any other applicable privilege, protection or immunity from disclosure; (b) restricted from disclosure under any applicable domestic or foreign data privacy, bank secrecy, channeling or blocking statutes, state secrets, or other laws, regulations, policies, and/or rules of any regulatory agency or governmental body; (c) consisting of communications with any domestic or foreign regulator relating to a governmental investigation; or (d) subject to an applicable foreign authority declining a request under the Hague Convention of 18 March 1970 on the Taking of Evidence Abroad in Civil or Commercial Matters ("Hague Convention") for international judicial assistance in obtaining such documents or information from Société Générale. None of the cooperation provisions contained in this Agreement is intended to, nor does, waive any privilege, protection or immunity with respect to information in the possession of Société Générale. Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel further agree that to the extent cooperation is requested, they will provide reasonable assistance to Société Générale and Société Générale's counsel to the extent required to facilitate Société Générale's compliance with any laws governing the production of information or documents, including, but not limited to, establishing a process to obtain the requested information via

the Hague Convention. To the extent the process used to obtain the requested information is through the Hague Convention, Société Générale shall bear the costs to appoint and retain a commissioner to facilitate the production of information, and any costs to transmit the documents or information. Each party will be responsible for any fees and expenses of their own attorneys.

- 24.3. If any document or other information protected by the attorney-client privilege, attorney work- product doctrine, the common interest doctrine, the joint defense privilege, bank examination privilege, and/or any other applicable privilege, protection or immunity from disclosure is accidentally or inadvertently produced, the document or information shall promptly be returned to Société Générale's counsel, and its production shall in no way be construed to have waived any privilege or protection attached to such document or information.
- 24.4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that Société Générale believes that Interim Lead Counsel has unreasonably requested cooperation, Société Générale's counsel and Interim Lead Counsel agree to meet and confer with each other regarding such disagreement and to seek resolution pursuant to the alternative dispute resolution procedures set forth in ¶ 24.7 below, if necessary. If any alternative dispute resolution is sought by any Settling Party, the disputed aspect of cooperation shall be held in abeyance until a resolution is reached, and such abeyance shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement.
- 24.5. Plaintiffs' Counsel expressly agree to use any and all of the information obtained from Société Générale only for the purpose of the Action and agree to be bound by the terms of the Stipulation and Protective Order.

- 24.6. Plaintiffs' Counsel expressly agree, unless ordered by a court having jurisdiction or upon agreement from Société Générale, that under no circumstances shall Plaintiffs' Counsel produce documents or information obtained from Société Générale to any Person, including, without limitation, counsel for any other plaintiff in the Action or any Class Member who excludes itself from the Class for purposes of the Settlement. For the avoidance of doubt, Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel expressly agree that documents, materials, and/or information provided by Société Générale may be used by Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel solely in connection with the prosecution of the Action against Dismissed Defendants, and may not be used for the institution or prosecution of any other action or proceeding against any Releasee, including in any other benchmark rate litigation, or for any other purpose whatsoever, including but not limited to actions or proceedings in jurisdictions outside the United States.
- 24.7. Any dispute or controversy arising out of or relating to the cooperation set forth in Section F of this Agreement or the termination provision contained in the Supplemental Agreement, including any claims under any statute, law, or regulation, shall be resolved first by discussion among counsel for the parties and, failing that, by mediation, or, if mediation fails to resolve the dispute, by arbitration, in each case administered by a neutral agreed upon by all parties at JAMS, in accordance with its procedures and Comprehensive Arbitration Rules & Procedures then in effect ("Rules") and in accordance with the Expedited Procedures in those Rules (or such other alternative dispute resolution organization as all parties shall agree). Any mediation or arbitration shall be conducted on a strictly confidential basis, and the parties shall not disclose the existence or nature of any claim; any documents, correspondence, briefing, exhibits, or information exchanged or

presented in connection with any claim; or any rulings, decisions, or results of any claim or argument advanced by any party to such mediation or arbitration (collectively, "Arbitration Materials") to any third party, with the sole exception of the parties' respective legal counsel (who shall also be bound by these confidentiality terms). The arbitral decision shall be final and binding upon the parties hereto. Any arbitral award may be entered as a judgment or order in any court of competent jurisdiction. Except as the Rules may provide, the parties shall share JAMS's administrative fees and the mediator's or arbitrator's fees and expenses. Each party shall be responsible for such party's attorneys' fees and costs, except as otherwise provided by any applicable statute or other law. Either party may commence litigation in any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction located in New York County, New York to obtain injunctive relief in aid of arbitration, to compel arbitration, or to confirm or vacate an arbitrator's award. The parties agree to take all steps necessary to protect the confidentiality of the Arbitration Materials in connection with any such proceeding, agree to use their best efforts to file all confidential information (and documents containing confidential information) under seal, and agree to the entry of an appropriate protective order reflecting that the terms of any settlement agreement resolving the dispute submitted to arbitration shall be confidential. The seat of mediation or arbitration shall be New York, New York.

25. **Document Production**. Subject to the terms and limitations of Paragraph 24 and each of its subparts above, Société Générale will provide cooperation to Plaintiffs by producing to Interim Lead Counsel the following categories of documents in electronic format with reasonably accessible metadata (and if available, such metadata that was produced in government productions), to the extent that such documents are reasonably available to Société Générale.

Unless otherwise indicated, the time period of the documents subject to production shall be June 1, 2005 through March 31, 2011 (*i.e.* the Class Period).

- 25.1. All underlying documents and data produced by Société Générale to the DOJ, CFTC, FSA, European Commission or any other governmental regulatory authority in connection with such regulator's investigation of Euribor-related conduct;
- 25.2. Non-privileged declarations, affidavits, witness statements or other sworn or unsworn written statements of former and/or current Société Générale directors, officers or employees concerning the allegations set forth in this Action with respect to Euribor to the extent such documents may be disclosed under applicable confidentiality or regulatory restrictions;
- 25.3. To the extent not included in the Cooperation provided in ¶25.1, trade data pertaining to Société Générale's transactions in Euro-denominated inter-bank money market instruments, including loans, deposits and certificates of deposit. Such trade data shall include reasonably available information for the years 2005 through 2011 (Société Générale will also produce transaction information for 2004, to the extent it exists and is reasonably available to Société Générale);
- 25.4. To the extent not included in the Cooperation provided in ¶25.1, trade data pertaining to Société Générale's transactions in Euribor Products. Société Générale will produce such trade data that is reasonably available for the years 2004 through 2011. Société Générale will redact the counterparty identifying information for each counterparty but will use reasonable best efforts to disclose the counterparty identifying information for each co-defendant without redaction or anonymization; and

- 25.5. Such further documents and data which Plaintiffs may reasonably request that are relevant to the claims or defenses in this Action.
- 26. **Privilege Logs.** At a reasonable time to be negotiated in good faith, Société Générale agrees to provide Plaintiffs with (a) privilege logs for any relevant documents that Société Générale withholds on the basis of any privilege, protection, doctrine, immunity or regulatory objection, if directed by the arbitrator (pursuant to this Agreement's alternative dispute resolution provision set forth in ¶ 24.7) as cooperation discovery in accordance with this Agreement, and (b) any existing privilege logs for documents that Société Générale withheld from the U.S. government as part of its investigation into Société Générale's alleged manipulation of Euribor and Euribor Products. The Settling Parties agree that their counsel shall meet and confer with each other regarding any dispute as to (i) the privileges, protections, restrictions, or disclosure prohibitions described in ¶ 24.2 or (ii) as to the documents contained in Société Générale's privilege logs described in this paragraph. To the extent the Settling Parties cannot resolve any such disputes, they shall be reserved for resolution according to this Agreement's dispute resolution provision set forth in ¶ 24.7.
- 27. **Post-Final Approval Discovery Requests By Plaintiffs**. Subject to ¶ 24.2 of this Agreement, Plaintiffs shall have the right to make requests to Société Générale after Final Approval Order is entered, without subpoena, for documents, including electronically stored information ("ESI"), relating to Euribor, and Société Générale shall cooperate (by, among other ways, allowing Plaintiffs to provide search terms for electronic searches of specific Société Générale custodians' files), and produce reasonably requested and available documents and ESI related to Euribor for the period June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, provided, however, Société Générale may require Plaintiffs to issue a subpoena to facilitate the production

of the requested information where necessary to comply with applicable law, rules or regulations. In such circumstances, Société Générale's counsel agrees to accept service of such subpoena, provided however that Société Générale expressly reserves all rights to object to producing the information requested in the subpoena set forth in this paragraph and ¶ 24.2, but waives all other objections. Such requests are subject to Plaintiffs taking reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on Société Générale. This provision shall be terminated if Plaintiffs' claims against all other Defendants have been dismissed in their entirety and the dismissal has been upheld after the exhaustion of all avenues of further review on appeal. If Société Générale declines to produce documents in response to a request by Plaintiffs and the parties cannot resolve the dispute through discussions of counsel, the dispute shall be resolved pursuant to this Agreement's alternative dispute resolution provision set forth in ¶ 24.7. The Settling Parties agree that the standards for production set forth in Rule 45 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the terms of this Agreement shall apply to any request made pursuant to or dispute under this provision. Plaintiffs shall be prohibited from making any requests to Société Générale for documents pursuant to this Agreement after the earlier of: (a) the date when a final judgment has been rendered, with no remaining rights of appeal, in the Action against all defendants; or (b) the later of two (2) years after the Action is remanded to the Court for further prosecution against any Dismissed Defendant, or four (4) years after the Effective Date of the Agreement.

28. Authentication and/or Admissibility of Documents. Société Générale shall cooperate to provide reasonable access to witnesses or by other means for purposes of laying a foundation for the admission of documents produced by Société Générale as evidence in the Action to the extent Société Générale has control over those witnesses. Société Générale will also cooperate to provide reasonably available information necessary for Plaintiffs to authenticate or

otherwise make usable at trial any of the aforementioned documents or other documents as Plaintiffs may request pursuant to this Agreement. Société Générale, through its counsel, also will provide Plaintiffs with proffers of fact regarding conduct known to Société Générale. Société Générale also will provide Plaintiffs with a description of the data fields included in the trade data produced under this Agreement.

29. Corporate Representative. Société Générale recognizes that provision of witnesses is an important part of the cooperation and consideration that is the subject of this Agreement, and witness testimony may be important in proving Plaintiffs' claims. Subject to the terms of ¶ 24.2 of this Agreement, Société Générale shall cooperate to provide reasonable access to a corporate representative(s) to provide testimony pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(b)(6) regarding topics relating to the subject matter of this Action to be mutually agreed upon by the parties, to the extent permitted by relevant authorities. Société Générale acknowledges that nothing in this paragraph prevents Plaintiffs from seeking testimony of former Société Générale employees for deposition and/or trial and agrees to provide last known addresses of former employees identified by Plaintiffs to the extent Société Générale is not prohibited from doing so by applicable law.

#### G. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

## **30.** Fee and Expense Application.

30.1. Société Générale shall have no interest or right in or to any portion of the Settlement Fund based on any ruling that the Court makes on any application by Plaintiffs' Counsel for fees, costs or expenses. Interim Lead Counsel, on behalf of all Plaintiffs' Counsel, may, at their discretion and election, choose to submit an application or applications to the Court (collectively, "Fee and Expense Application") for distributions to them from the Settlement Fund of an award of attorneys' fees or reimbursement of

expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, and past, current or future litigation expenses ("Fee and Expense Award") incurred in connection with prosecuting the Action. Plaintiffs may also make an application to the Court for an award in connection with their representation of the Settlement Class in this litigation, which amount constitutes an "Incentive Award".

- 30.2. Plaintiffs' Counsel may apply to the Court for an award from the Settlement Fund of attorneys' fees, plus accrued interest at the same rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund. Plaintiffs' Counsel may also apply to the Court for reimbursement from the Settlement Fund of Plaintiffs' Counsel's litigation expenses, plus accrued interest at the same rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund. Société Générale shall take no position with respect to any Fee and Expense Applications described in this ¶ 30.2.
- 30.3. Prior to the Settlement Hearing, Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel shall file any motions seeking a Fee and Expense Award from the Settlement Fund for payment of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of costs and expenses, and for the payment of an Incentive Award as follows:
  - (1) Plaintiffs' Counsel shall seek attorneys' fees in an amount to be specified in the Notice.
  - (2) Plaintiffs' Counsel shall seek reimbursement for their costs and expenses incurred as of the date the Motion for Final Approval and Entry of Final Judgment is filed pursuant to ¶ 8.
  - (3) Plaintiffs may make an application to the Court for an Incentive Award in connection with their representation of the Settlement Class in this Action.

- (4) Plaintiffs' Counsel may apply to the Court, at the time of an application for distribution to Authorized Claimants, for an award from the Settlement Fund of attorneys' fees for services performed and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with the administration of the Settlement after the Settlement Hearing. Plaintiffs' Counsel reserves the right to make additional applications to the Court for payment from the Settlement Fund for attorneys' fees for services performed and reimbursement of expenses incurred. Any such applications are subject to Court approval.
- 31. Payment of Fee and Expense Award. Upon the Court's approval of a Fee and Expense Award, Interim Lead Counsel, on behalf of all Plaintiffs' Counsel, may withdraw the awarded attorneys' fees and expenses within ten (10) Business Days after the Court enters the Final Approval Order. Société Générale shall take no position with respect to Interim Lead Counsel's motion(s) for attorneys' fees and expenses. Any Plaintiffs' Counsel seeking to draw down their share of a Fee and Expense Award prior to the occurrence of the Effective Date shall unconditionally guarantee to Société Générale the repayment of the amount drawn down. In the event that the Effective Date does not occur or this Agreement is terminated or cancelled, or otherwise fails to become effective for any reason, including, without limitation, in the event that any of the Settling Parties exercise their respective rights in ¶¶ 37 to 40, then within ten (10) Business Days after such event, Plaintiffs' Counsel shall refund to the Settlement Fund the full amount of any Fee and Expense Award that was withdrawn, plus any accrued interest thereon at the same rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, and the Escrow Agent shall refund the Settlement Fund to Société Générale in accordance with ¶ 12 and 39, including any Fee and Expense Award refunded to the Settlement Fund by Plaintiffs' Counsel pursuant to this ¶ 30. For

the avoidance of doubt, Plaintiffs' Counsel need not refund any reasonable, already disbursed or incurred Notice and Administrative Costs and Escrow Agent Costs, together up to an aggregate maximum of \$750,000, and Taxes and Tax Expenses.

- 32. Award of Fees and Expenses Not Part of Settlement. The procedures for, and the allowance or disallowance by the Court of, any Fee and Expense Application are to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement set forth in this Agreement. Any order or proceeding relating to any Fee and Expense Application, or any appeal from any Fee and Expense Award or any other order relating thereto or reversal or modification thereof, shall not operate to terminate or cancel this Agreement, or affect or delay the finality of the Judgment and the Settlement of the Action as set forth herein. No order of the Court or modification or reversal on appeal of any order of the Court concerning any Fee and Expense Award or the Distribution Plan shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement.
- 33. **No Liability for Fees and Expenses of Plaintiffs' Counsel.** The Releasees shall have no responsibility for, and no liability whatsoever with respect to, any payment(s) to Plaintiffs' Counsel for fees and expenses and/or to any other Person who may assert some claim thereto, or any Fee and Expense Award that the Court may make in the Action.

# H. CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT, EFFECT OF DISAPPROVAL OR TERMINATION

- 34. **Effective Date.** The Effective Date of this Agreement shall be conditioned on the occurrence of all of the following events:
  - 34.1. The Settlement Agreement has been fully executed by the Settling Parties through their counsel;

- 34.2. The Court has certified the Settlement Class and entered the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form to be agreed to by the Settling Parties, approving this Agreement and approving the program and form for the Notice;
  - 34.3. Class Notice has been issued as ordered by the Court;
- 34.4. Société Générale no longer has any right under the terms of this Agreement to terminate the Agreement and no Settling Party has exercised its right to termination;
- 34.5. The Court has entered the Final Approval Order finally approving the Settlement Agreement in all respects as required by Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; however, this required approval does not include the approval of the Fee and Expense Application and the Distribution Plan and the Judgment;
- 34.6. The Court has entered the Judgment of dismissal with prejudice as to the Releasees with respect to Plaintiffs and Settling Class Members, and the Judgment has become Final;
- 34.7. Either (i) no appeal of the Final Approval Order has been filed and the time for commencing an appeal has expired, or (ii) in the event an appeal of the Final Approval Order is filed, either (a) such appeal has been dismissed and the prescribed time, if any, for commencing any further appeal has expired, or (b) the Final Approval Order has been affirmed on appeal in all material respects and the prescribed time, if any, for commencing any further appeal has expired; and
- 34.8. If they remain pending in the Second Circuit, the appeals docketed as Case Nos. 19-1769 & 19-2012 have been withdrawn or dismissed with prejudice as to or by Société Générale.

- 35. **Occurrence of Effective Date.** Upon the occurrence of all of the events referenced in ¶ 34, above, any and all remaining interest or right of Société Générale in or to the Settlement Fund, if any, shall be absolutely and forever extinguished, and the Net Settlement Fund may be transferred from the Escrow Agent to the Claims Administrator at the written direction of Interim Lead Counsel.
- 36. **Failure of Effective Date to Occur.** If all of the conditions specified in ¶ 34, above, are not and cannot be satisfied, then this Agreement shall be terminated, subject to and in accordance with ¶ 39, unless the Settling Parties mutually agree in writing to continue with it for a specified period of time.
- Order or Judgment. Plaintiffs and Société Générale shall have the right to terminate the Settlement if Court approval is not obtained in any material respect, including if: (i) the Court enters an order declining to enter the Preliminary Approval Order or Final Approval Order in any material respect; (ii) the Court enters an order refusing to approve the Agreement or any material part of it; (iii) the Court enters an order declining to enter the Judgment and order of dismissal in any material respect; (iv) the Court enters an alternative Judgment that affects the final and binding nature of Société Générale's dismissal and release; (v) the Judgment and order of dismissal is modified or reversed by any court of appeals or any higher court in any material respect; or (vi) an alternative Judgment is modified or reversed by a court of appeal or any higher court in a way that materially affects the final and binding nature of Société Générale's dismissal and release. The Settling Parties may, in their sole discretion, within thirty (30) days from the date of issuance of any such ruling described in this paragraph, provide written notice to all other parties hereto of their intent to proceed with the Settlement under the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order, the

Final Approval Order or the Judgment as modified by the Court or on appeal. Such notice may be provided on behalf of Plaintiffs and the Class by Interim Lead Counsel. No Settling Party shall have any obligation whatsoever to proceed under any terms other than substantially in the form provided for and agreed to herein, provided, however, that no order of the Court concerning any Fee and Expense Application or the Distribution Plan, or any modification or reversal on appeal of such an order, shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by any Settling Party. Without limiting the foregoing, Société Générale shall have, in its sole and absolute discretion, the option to terminate the Settlement in its entirety in the event that the Judgment, upon becoming Final, does not provide for the dismissal with prejudice of the Action as to Société Générale and a full release of the Releasees as set forth in ¶¶ 15 and 16 of this Agreement.

- 38. **Termination by Plaintiffs.** Interim Lead Counsel, acting on behalf of the Plaintiffs, shall have the right, but not the obligation, in their sole discretion, to terminate this Agreement if Société Générale fails to comply with ¶ 10 and Société Générale fails to cure such non-compliance within ten (10) business days after Interim Lead Counsel provides written notice to Société Générale's counsel of such non-compliance. Any election to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this paragraph must be made by Interim Lead Counsel in writing to Société Générale's counsel within fifteen (15) business days after Société Générale fails to comply with ¶ 10 and the time to cure such non-compliance has passed.
- 39. **Effect of Termination.** Unless otherwise ordered by the Court, in the event that the Effective Date does not occur, or this Agreement is terminated or cancelled, or otherwise fails to become effective for any reason, including, without limitation, in the event that any of the Settling Parties exercise their respective rights in ¶¶ 37 to 38, then:

- 39.1. Within ten (10) Business Days after written notification of such event is sent by counsel for Société Générale or Interim Lead Counsel to the Escrow Agent, the Settlement Fund, including the Settlement Amount and all accrued interest earned in the Settlement Fund, but excluding any reasonable, already disbursed or incurred Notice and Administrative Costs and Escrow Agent Costs, together up to an aggregate maximum of \$750,000, will be refunded, reimbursed, and repaid by the Escrow Agent to Société Générale in the same proportion as their respective shares of the Settlement Amount. For any Notice and Administrative Costs, Escrow Agent Costs, and/or Taxes and Tax Expenses withheld under this provision, Interim Lead Counsel will provide Société Générale's counsel with proof of such reasonable, already disbursed or incurred expenses for any Notice and Administrative Costs, Escrow Agent Costs, and/or Taxes and Tax Expenses.
- 39.2. The Escrow Agent or its designee shall apply for a refund of any Taxes paid from the Settlement Fund and pay the refund proceeds (if any) and Tax Expenses to Société Générale, after deduction of any fees or expenses reasonably incurred in connection with such application(s) for refund;
- 39.3. The Settling Parties shall be restored, to the maximum extent possible, to their respective positions in the Action as of immediately prior to the execution of the Settlement term sheet, with all of their respective legal claims, defenses, and rights preserved as they existed on that date, including, without limitation, any challenge or objection to personal jurisdiction;<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If the Settlement is not finally approved or otherwise does not become effective such that Société Générale does not achieve final and binding dismissal from the Action, Société Générale reserves all rights to challenge the validity of the assignment of claims of any named plaintiff(s) to any assignee, including, but not limited to, Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC. Notwithstanding this ¶ 39, nothing herein shall preclude Société Générale from challenging the validity of the assignment of claims of any named plaintiff(s) to any assignee, including, but not limited to, Fund

- 39.4. Any and all releases shall be of no further force or effect;
- 39.5. The terms and provisions of this Agreement, with the exception of ¶¶ 12, 31, 39, and 42 (which shall continue in full force and effect), shall be null and void and shall have no further force or effect with respect to the Settling Parties, and neither the existence nor the terms of this Agreement (nor any negotiations preceding this Agreement nor any acts performed pursuant to, or in furtherance of, this Agreement) shall be used in the Action or in any other lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding for any purpose (other than to enforce the terms remaining in effect); and
- 39.6. Any Judgment or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall be treated as vacated, *nunc pro tunc*.
- 40. **Supplemental Agreement.** In addition to the provisions contained in ¶ 37, Société Générale shall have the right, but not the obligation, in its sole discretion, to terminate this Agreement pursuant to the Supplemental Agreement to be executed by the Settling Parties contemporaneously with the execution of this Agreement. The Supplemental Agreement shall not be submitted to the Court except in the event of a dispute thereunder, in which case the Settling Parties shall seek to file it only under seal.

### I. NO ADMISSION OF LIABILITY

41. **Final and Complete Resolution.** The Settling Parties intend the Settlement as described herein to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Action, and it shall not be deemed or construed as an admission by any Settling Party of

Liquidation Holdings, LLC, in other lawsuits, arbitrations, or other legal proceedings in which such allegedly assigned claims have been asserted against Société Générale.

anything, including, without limitation, the merit or lack of merit of any claim or defense, or an admission of liability by any Person, including, without limitation, Releasees.

42. Use of Agreement as Evidence. Neither this Agreement nor the Settlement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of this Agreement or the Settlement: (a) is or may be deemed to be or may be used as an admission of, or evidence of, the validity of any Released Claims, of any allegation made in the Action, or of any wrongdoing or liability of Releasees; or (b) is or may be deemed to be or may be used as an admission of, or evidence of, any liability, fault or omission of the Releasees in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding before any court, administrative agency, arbitration panel or other tribunal. Nothing in this paragraph or Agreement shall exclude Plaintiffs from using any documents and testimony obtained pursuant to Section F herein as necessary to continue to prosecute the Action against Defendants other than Releasees. Neither this Agreement nor the Settlement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of this Agreement or the Settlement, shall be admissible in any proceeding for any purpose, except to enforce the terms of the Settlement, except that the Releasees may file this Agreement and/or the Judgment in any action for any purpose, including, but not limited to, in support of a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion, or any similar defense or counterclaim. The limitations described in this ¶ 42 apply whether or not the Court enters the Preliminary Approval Order, the Final Approval Order or the Judgment.

### J. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

43. **Société Générale's Right to Communicate.** Interim Lead Counsel acknowledges and agrees that Société Générale has the right to communicate orally and in writing with, and to

respond to inquiries from, Class Members, including (without limitation): (a) communications between Class Members and representatives of Société Générale whose responsibilities include client relations to the extent such communications are initiated by Class Members; (b) communications between Class Members who are ongoing clients of Société Générale or who seek to become clients of Société Générale; (c) communications that might be necessary to conduct Société Générale's business; (d) disclosures Société Générale deems necessary to comply with any relevant laws, regulations (including without limitation banking and securities regulations), subpoenas, or other form of judicial process; and (e) disclosures of the fact or amount of the Settlement to Société Générale's external auditors and insurers. However, Société Générale shall not communicate with a material and/or substantial portion of Class Members about the Settlement without prior approval of the contents and subject of the communication from the Court or Interim Lead Counsel.

- 44. **Voluntary Settlement.** The Settling Parties agree that the Settlement Amount and the other terms of the Settlement as described herein were negotiated in good faith by the Settling Parties, and reflect a Settlement that was reached voluntarily after consultation with competent legal counsel.
- 45. **Reservation of Rights.** All rights of any Class Member against other former, current, or future Defendants or their alleged co-conspirators, or any other person other than the Released Parties, with respect to any of the Released Claims are specifically reserved by Plaintiffs and the Class Members, subject to the terms of Paragraph 15 above.
- 46. **Impact of Any Other Settlement.** If any Other Settlement (as defined in paragraph 1.29) is reached, the "Class" definition in Paragraph 5 herein shall be no less favorable to Société Générale than the corresponding term or provision applicable to any Other Settlement.

If Société Générale believes one or more terms or provisions in this paragraph is less favorable than the corresponding term or provision in the Other Settlement, Société Générale will provide written notice of such belief to Interim Lead Counsel within ten (10) business days of the filing of the Other Settlement with the Court. Following receipt of the written notice, Société Générale and Interim Lead Counsel will confer as to whether the relevant term or provision in this Settlement Agreement is less favorable as compared to the Other Settlement. If there is agreement between Société Générale and Interim Lead Counsel that the provision at issue is less favorable, Société Générale and Interim Lead Counsel will execute an amendment to this Agreement, adopting and incorporating the provision as drafted in the Other Settlement into this Agreement, and will submit the amendment to the Court for its approval. If Société Générale and Interim Lead Counsel are unable to reach an agreement on the relevant provision, Société Générale or Interim Lead Counsel may move the Court to resolve the dispute.

Consent to Jurisdiction. Subject to ¶ 48 below, Société Générale, Releasees, each Plaintiff and each Settling Class Member hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court only for the specific purpose of any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the applicability of this Agreement. For the purpose of such suit, action, or proceeding, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Settling Parties, Releasees and the Settling Class Members waive and agree not to assert, by way of motion, as a defense, or otherwise, any claim or objection that they are not subject to the jurisdiction of such Court, or that such Court is, in any way, an improper venue or an inconvenient forum or that the Court lacked power to approve this Settlement Agreement or enter any of the orders contemplated hereby. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything that may be to the contrary in this ¶ 47, Société

Générale and Releasees expressly reserve their right to challenge personal jurisdiction in the Action in the event that the Effective Date does not occur and/or this Agreement is terminated.

- 48. **Resolution of Disputes; Retention of Exclusive Jurisdiction.** Except as set forth in ¶ 24.7, or in other provisions of this Agreement that reserve disputes for resolution according to the dispute resolution provision set forth in ¶ 24.7, any disputes between or among Société Générale and any Plaintiff or Class Member (or their counsel) concerning matters contained in this Agreement shall, if they cannot be resolved by negotiation and agreement between counsel for the Settling Parties or Class Members, be submitted to the Court. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over the implementation and enforcement of this Agreement.
- 49. **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors and assigns of Société Générale, Releasees, Plaintiffs and Releasors hereto. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each and every covenant and agreement herein by Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel shall be binding upon all Settling Class Members. The Settling Parties enter into this Settlement Agreement with full knowledge that adverse or favorable court decisions and/or other events, including those pertaining to any of the Plaintiffs' capacity to serve as litigants or class representatives, may take place in the future that might affect the positions of either or both parties, including prior to issuance of the Final Approval Order. The Settling Parties intend to be bound by this Settlement Agreement notwithstanding the possibility or occurrence of any such future events or changes in position.
- 50. **Authorization to Enter Settlement Agreement.** The undersigned representatives of Société Générale represent that they are fully authorized to enter into and to execute this Agreement on behalf of Société Générale. Interim Lead Counsel, on behalf of Plaintiffs, represent that they are, subject to Court approval, authorized to take all action required or permitted to be

taken by or on behalf of the Class pursuant to this Agreement to effectuate its terms and to enter into and execute this Agreement and any modifications or amendments to the Agreement on behalf of the Class that they deem appropriate.

- Notices. All notices and other communications required to be given hereunder which may be given pursuant to the provisions hereof, other than the Notice (the form and manner of delivery of which shall be determined by the Court), shall be in writing. Each such notice shall be given either by (a) e-mail; (b) hand delivery; (c) registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid; (d) FedEx or similar overnight courier; or (e) facsimile and first class mail, postage pre-paid, and, if directed to any Settling Class Member, shall be addressed to Interim Lead Counsel at their addresses set forth on the signature page hereof; and if directed to Société Générale, shall be addressed to their attorneys at the addresses set forth on the signature pages hereof or such other addresses as Interim Lead Counsel or Société Générale may designate, from time to time, by giving notice to all parties hereto in the manner described in this paragraph.
- 52. **No Conflict Intended.** The headings used in this Agreement are intended for the convenience of the reader only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 53. **No Party Deemed to Be the Drafter.** No Settling Party shall be deemed to be the drafter of this Agreement or any provision hereof for the purpose of any statute, case law, or rule of interpretation or construction that would or might cause any provision to be construed against the drafter.
- 54. **Choice of Law.** This Agreement and the exhibit(s) hereto shall be considered to have been negotiated, executed, and delivered, and to be wholly performed, in the State of New York, and the rights and obligations of the parties to this Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and governed by, the internal, substantive laws of the State of New

York, including N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108, without regard to its conflict of law principles.

- 55. **Amendment; Waiver.** This Agreement shall not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by all the Settling Parties, and the waiver of any rights conferred hereunder shall be effective only if made by written instrument of the waiving party. The waiver by any party of any breach of this Agreement shall not be deemed or construed as a waiver of any other breach of this Agreement, whether prior, subsequent, or contemporaneous.
- 56. **Execution in Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. Facsimile and scanned/PDF signatures shall be considered valid signatures. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument. Counsel for the parties to this Agreement shall exchange among themselves original signed counterparts and a complete set of executed counterparts shall be filed with the Court.
- 57. **Integrated Agreement.** This Agreement, including any exhibits hereto and agreements referenced herein, contains the entire, complete, and integrated statement of each and every term and provision agreed to by and among the Settling Parties and is not subject to any condition not provided for or referenced herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior or contemporaneous discussions, agreements, and understandings among the Settling Parties with respect hereto. This Agreement may not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by all the Settling Parties hereto.
- 58. **Confidentiality.** Plaintiffs, Plaintiffs' Counsel, and Société Générale agree to keep private and confidential the terms of this Agreement, except for disclosure at the Court's direction or disclosure *in camera* to the Court, until this document is filed with the Court, provided, however, that nothing in this provision shall prevent Société Générale from making any

disclosures they deem necessary to comply with any relevant laws, regulations (including without limitation banking and securities regulations), subpoena or other form of judicial process, or from disclosing the fact or amount of the Settlement to Société Générale's external auditors or insurers. Nothing in this provision shall preclude Société Générale from disclosing, without notice to Interim Lead Counsel, the fact, amount or terms of the Settlement as a result of a good faith determination that such disclosure is required or advisable pursuant to bank regulatory requirements, SEC requirements, or other legal or regulatory requirements or from disclosing the fact, amount or terms of the Settlement to their regulators, insurers or external auditors.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto, through their fully authorized representatives, have executed this Agreement as of March 31, 2023.

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

STEPHEN SULLIVAN, WHITE OAK FUND LP, CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SONTERRA CAPITAL MASTER FUND, LTD., FRONTPOINT PARTNERS TRADING FUND, L.P., AND FRONTPOINT AUSTRALIAN OPPORTUNITIES TRUST on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

- against -

BARCLAYS PLC, BARCLAYS BANK PLC,
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC., BNP PARIBAS S.A.,
CITIGROUP, INC., CITIBANK, N.A.,
COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISENBOERENLEENBANK B.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE
S.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE CIB, DEUTSCHE BANK
AG, DB GROUP SERVICES UK LIMITED, HSBC
HOLDINGS PLC, HSBC BANK PLC, ICAP PLC,
ICAP EUROPE LIMITED, J.P. MORGAN CHASE &
CO., JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., THE ROYAL
BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE
SA, UBS AG AND JOHN DOE NOS. 1-50,

Defendants.

Docket No. 13-cv-02811 (PKC)

## EXHIBIT A

[PROPOSED]
ORDER PRELIMINARILY APPROVING
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT WITH SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE,
SCHEDULING HEARING FOR FINAL APPROVAL THEREOF, AND
APPROVING THE PROPOSED FORM AND PROGRAM OF NOTICE TO THE CLASS

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs<sup>1</sup> and Defendant Société Générale entered into a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement ("Settlement Agreement") on March 31, 2023;

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs having moved for an order preliminarily approving the proposed settlement ("Settlement") of this Action against Société Générale; and

WHEREAS, the Court having read and considered the Settlement Agreement and accompanying documents; and Plaintiffs and Société Générale (collectively, the "Settling Parties") having consented to the entry of this Order,

NOW, THEREFORE, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_, upon application of the Settling Parties,

#### **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

- 1. Except for the terms defined herein, the Court adopts and incorporates the definitions in the Settlement Agreement for the purposes of this Order.
- 2. The Court finds that it has subject matter jurisdiction to preliminarily approve the Settlement, including all exhibits thereto, under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and that it has personal jurisdiction over the Settling Parties and all Class Members for the purpose of preliminarily approving the Settlement, including all exhibits thereto.

### A. The Settlement

3. The terms of the Settlement Agreement, including the releases contained therein, are hereby preliminarily approved. The Court preliminarily finds that the Settlement was entered into at arm's-length by experienced counsel and is sufficiently within the range of reasonableness, fairness, and adequacy, and that notice of the Settlement should be given as provided in this Order

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs are Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS"), any subsequently named plaintiff(s), and any assignees of any named plaintiff(s) that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC.

because the Court will likely be able to approve the Settlement under Rule 23(e)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Distribution Plan, the Supplemental Agreement, and the Proof of Claim and Release also are preliminarily approved as within the range of reasonableness, fairness, and adequacy.

4. Solely for purposes of the Settlement, the Settlement Class shall be preliminarily certified and maintained as a class action, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and the Court finds that the applicable provisions of Rules 23(a) and 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure have been satisfied, and that the Court will likely be able to approve the Settlement and certify the Settlement Class for purposes of judgment. The Settlement Class for the Settlement is defined as:

All Persons who purchased, sold, held, traded or otherwise had any interest in Euribor Products from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, who were either domiciled in the United States or its territories or, if domiciled outside the United States or its territories, transacted in Euribor Products in the United States or its territories from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, including, but not limited to, all Persons who traded CME Euro currency futures contracts, all Persons who transacted in NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures and options from a location within the United States, and all Persons who traded any other Euribor Product from a location within the United States. Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government.

5. Notwithstanding the sentence above that "[e]xcluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government," and solely for the purposes of this Settlement and the Settlement Class, the Settling Parties agree that Investment Vehicles are not excluded from the Settlement Class solely on the basis of their being deemed to be Defendants or affiliates or subsidiaries of Defendants. However, to the extent that any Defendant or any entity that might be deemed to be an affiliate or subsidiary thereof (i) managed

or advised, and (ii) directly or indirectly held a beneficial interest in, said Investment Vehicle during the Class Period, that Defendant's beneficial interest in the Investment Vehicle is excluded from the Settlement Class.

- 6. The Court hereby appoints Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. and Lovell Stewart Halebian Jacobson LLP as Class Counsel to such Settlement Class for purposes of the Settlement, having determined that the requirements of Rule 23(g) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure are fully satisfied by this appointment.
- 7. Plaintiffs are hereby appointed as representatives of the Settlement Class for purposes of the Settlement.
- 8. The Court appoints Citibank, N.A. to act as Escrow Agent for the Settlement Fund, which shall have such duties and responsibilities in such capacity as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 9. All proceedings in the Action as to Société Générale, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to implement the proposed Settlement or to effectuate the terms of the Settlement, are hereby stayed and suspended until further order of this Court.
- 10. The Court's preliminary certification of the Settlement Class for the Settlement, and appointment of Plaintiffs as Class Representatives for the Settlement, as provided herein is without prejudice to, or waiver of, the rights of any non-settling Defendant to contest any other request by Plaintiffs to certify a class. The Court's findings in this Preliminary Approval Order shall have no effect on the Court's ruling on any motion to certify any class in this litigation, or appoint Class Representatives, and no party may cite or refer to the Court's certification of the Settlement Class for the Settlement as binding or persuasive authority with respect to any motion to certify such class or appoint Class Representatives.

- 11. The Court appoints A.B. Data, Ltd. as Claims Administrator for purposes of the Settlement.
- 12. A hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_at\_\_\_\_\_[a.m./p.m.] (which date shall be at least 140 days after entry of this Order) in Courtroom 11D of this Courthouse before the undersigned, to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement (the "Settlement Hearing"). The foregoing date, time, and place of the Settlement Hearing shall be set forth in the Notice, which is ordered herein, but shall be subject to adjournment or change by the Court without further notice to the Settlement Class Members, other than that which may be posted at the Court or on www.EuriborSettlement.com (the "Settlement Website").
- 13. The Court reserves the right to approve the Settlement at or after the Settlement Hearing with such modifications as may be consented to by the Settling Parties and without further notice to the Settlement Class.
- All Settlement Class Members and their legally authorized representatives, unless and until they have submitted a timely request for exclusion from the Settlement Class (hereinafter, "Request for Exclusion"), are hereby preliminarily enjoined from (i) filing, commencing, prosecuting, intervening in, or participating as a plaintiff, claimant, or class member in any other lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding in any jurisdiction based on the Released Claims; (ii) filing, commencing, or prosecuting a lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding as a class action on behalf of any Settlement Class Members (including by seeking to amend a pending complaint to include class allegations or seeking class certification in a pending action) based on the Released Claims; (iii) attempting to effect an opt-out of a group, class, or subclass of individuals in any lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding based on the Released Claims; and (iv) assisting any

third party in commencing or maintaining any suit against any Released Party related in any way to any Released Claims.

- 15. No later than 30 days after entry of this Order (the "Notice Commencement Date"), the Claims Administrator or other notice agent shall commence mailing of Notice and cause copies of the mailed notice, in the form (without material variation) of Exhibit 3 to the Joint Declaration of Vincent Briganti and Christopher Lovell, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023 ("\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2023 Joint Decl."), to be mailed by United States First-Class Mail, postage prepaid, as described in the proposed notice program attached to the Declaration of Elaine Pang, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023 ("Pang Decl."), attached as Ex. 2 to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2023 Joint Decl. The foregoing initial mailings shall be substantially completed no later than 40 days after the Notice Commencement Date (the "Initial Mailing Completion Date"). All costs and expenses related to the mailing of Notice to potential Settlement Class Members shall be paid as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 16. No later than the Notice Commencement Date, the Claims Administrator shall cause to be published a publication notice, without material variation from Exhibit 4 to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2023 Joint Decl., as described in the proposed notice program attached as Exhibit A to the Pang Decl. See \_\_\_\_\_ 2023 Joint Decl. at Ex. 2.
- 17. The Claims Administrator shall maintain the Settlement Website, www.EuriborSettlement.com, until the termination of the administration of the Settlement. The Settlement Website shall include copies of the Settlement Agreement (including exhibits), this Order, the mailed and publication notices, the motion for preliminary approval and all exhibits attached thereto and shall identify important deadlines and provide answers to frequently asked questions. The Settlement Website may be amended as appropriate during the course of the administration of the Settlement. The Settlement Website shall be searchable on the Internet.

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- 18. The Claims Administrator shall maintain a toll-free interactive voice response telephone system containing recorded answers to frequently asked questions, along with an option permitting callers to speak to live operators or to leave messages in a voicemail box.
- 19. The Court approves, in form and substance, the mailed notice, the publication notice, and the website as described herein. The Notice plan specified herein (i) is the best notice practicable; (ii) is reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action and of their right to object to or exclude themselves from the proposed Settlement; (iii) is reasonable and constitutes due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all Persons entitled to receive notice of the Settlement Hearing; and (iv) fully satisfies all applicable requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, due process, and any other applicable rules or laws.
- 20. At least fifty-six (56) days prior to the Settlement Hearing, the Claims Administrator shall serve and file a sworn statement attesting to compliance with the notice provisions in paragraphs 15-18 of this Order.
- 21. Any Settlement Class Member and any governmental entity that objects to the fairness, reasonableness, or adequacy of any term or aspect of the Settlement, the application for attorneys' fees and expenses, motion for Incentive Awards, or the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, or who otherwise wishes to be heard in the Action, may appear in person or by his or her attorney at the Settlement Hearing and present evidence or argument that may be proper and relevant. However, except for good cause shown, no person other than Class Counsel and Société Générale's counsel shall be heard and no papers, briefs, pleadings, or other documents submitted by any Settlement Class Member shall be considered by the Court unless, no later than [thirty-five (35) days prior to the Settlement Hearing], the objecting Settlement

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Class Member or governmental entity files with the Court a statement of the objection, as well as the specific legal and factual reasons for each objection, including all support that the objecting Settlement Class Member or governmental entity wishes to bring to the Court's attention and all evidence the objecting Settlement Class Member or governmental entity wishes to introduce in support of his, her, or its objection. Such submission must contain: (1) the name, address, and telephone number of the Person or entity objecting and must be signed by the objector (an attorney's signature is not sufficient); (2) a heading that refers to the Action by case name and case number; (3) a statement of the Person's objection or objections, and the specific legal and factual basis for each objection argument, including a description of any and all evidence the objecting Person or entity may offer at the Settlement Hearing, including but not limited to the names, addresses, and expected testimony of any witnesses; and all exhibits intended to be introduced at the Settlement Hearing; (4) documentary proof of the objecting Person's membership in the Settlement Class; (5) a statement of whether the objecting Person or entity intends to appear at the Settlement Hearing, either in person or through counsel and, if through counsel, a statement identifying that counsel by name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address; (6) a description of the Euribor Products transactions entered into by the Person that fall within the Settlement Class definition (including, for each transaction, the identity of the broker, the date of the transaction, the type (including direction) of the transaction, the counterparty (if any), the exchange on which the transaction occurred (if any), any transaction identification numbers, the rate, and the notional amount of the transaction); and (7) a list of other cases in which the objector or intervenor or counsel for the objector or intervenor has appeared either as an objector or counsel for an objector in the last five years. Persons who have timely submitted a valid Request for Exclusion are not Settling Class Members and are not entitled to object.

- 22. A Settling Party may apply to the Court for permission to examine an objector on terms and conditions set by the Court.
- 23. Any Settlement Class Member or governmental entity that fails to object or move to intervene in the manner described in paragraphs 21-22 of this Order shall be deemed to have waived the right to object (including any right of appeal) and shall be forever barred from raising such objection in this or any other action or proceeding related to or arising out of the Settlement. Discovery concerning any purported objections to the Settlement shall be completed no later than ten (10) days before the Settlement Hearing. Class Counsel and Société Générale's counsel, and any other Persons wishing to oppose timely filed objections in writing may do so not later than ten (10) days before the Settlement Hearing.
- 24. Any Request for Exclusion from the Settlement by a Settlement Class Member must be sent in writing to the Claims Administrator at the address in the mailed notice and post marked by no later than \_\_\_\_\_ [forty-two (42) days before the Settlement Hearing] (the "Exclusion Bar Date"). For the avoidance of doubt, any Request for Exclusion applies to the entirety of the Settlement. Any Request for Exclusion must contain the following information:
  - (a) the name, address, and telephone number of the Settlement Class Member seeking exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person, as well as a list of all trade names or business names that the Settlement Class Member requests to be excluded;
  - (b) the name of the Action ("Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays plc, et al., No. 13-cv-02811 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y.).");
  - (c) a statement certifying such person is a Settlement Class Member;
  - (d) a description of the Euribor Products transactions entered into by the Settlement Class Member that fall within the Settlement Class definition (including, for each transaction, the identity of the broker, the date of the transaction, the type (including direction) of the transaction, the counterparty (if any), the exchange on which the transaction occurred (if

- any), any transaction identification numbers, the rate, and the notional amount of the transaction); and
- (e) a statement that "I/we hereby request that I/we be excluded from the Settlement Class as to the Settlement with Société Générale in *Sullivan*, et al. v. Barclays plc, et al., No. 13-cv-02811(PKC) (S.D.N.Y.)."
- Any Request for Exclusion from the Settlement submitted by a Settlement Class Member pursuant to paragraph 24 of this Order must be signed by the Settlement Class Member (or his, her, their, or its legally authorized representative), even if the Settlement Class Member is represented by counsel. The right to be excluded from the proposed Settlement must be exercised individually by a Settlement Class Member or his, her, their, or its attorney, and not as a member of a group, class, or subclass, except that a Request for Exclusion may be submitted by a Settlement Class Member's legally authorized representative. A Request for Exclusion shall not be effective unless it provides all of the required information listed in paragraph 24 of this Order and is postmarked by the Exclusion Bar Date, as set forth in the Notice.
- 26. Any Settlement Class Member who does not submit a timely and valid written Request for Exclusion from the Settlement Class shall be bound by all proceedings, orders, and judgments in the Action, even if the Settlement Class Member has previously initiated or subsequently initiates individual litigation or other proceedings encompassed by the Released Claims, and even if such Settlement Class Member never received actual notice of the Action or the proposed Settlement.
- 27. The Claims Administrator shall promptly log each Request for Exclusion that it receives and provide copies of the log to Class Counsel and Société Générale's counsel.
- 28. The Claims Administrator shall furnish Class Counsel and counsel for Société Générale with copies of any and all objections, motions to intervene, notices of intention to appear,

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and other communications that come into its possession (except as otherwise expressly provided in the Settlement) within two (2) Business Days of receipt thereof.

- 29. At least thirty (30) days before the Settlement Hearing, the Claims Administrator shall prepare an opt-out list identifying all Persons, if any, who submitted a timely and valid Request for Exclusion from the Settlement Class, as provided in the Settlement Agreement, and an affidavit attesting to the accuracy of the opt-out list. The Claims Administrator shall provide counsel for Société Générale and Class Counsel with copies of any Requests for Exclusion (including all documents submitted with such requests) and any written revocations of Requests for Exclusion as soon as possible after receipt by the Claims Administrator and, in any event, within two (2) Business Days after receipt by the Claims Administrator and, in no event, later than thirty (30) days before the Settlement Hearing. Class Counsel shall file the opt-out list and affidavit of the Claims Administrator attesting to the accuracy of such list with the Court.
- 30. All Proof of Claim and Release forms shall be submitted by Settlement Class Members to the Claims Administrator as directed in the mailed notice and must be postmarked no later than thirty (30) days after the Settlement Hearing.
- 31. To effectuate the Settlement and the Notice plan, the Claims Administrator shall be responsible for: (a) establishing a P.O. Box (to be identified in the mailed notice and the publication notice), a toll-free interactive voice response telephone system and call center, and the Settlement Website; (b) effectuating the Notice plan, including by running potential Settlement Class Members' addresses through the National Change of Address Database to obtain the most current address for each person; (c) accepting and maintaining documents sent from Settlement Class Members, including Proof of Claim and Release forms, and other documents relating to the Settlement and its administration; (d) administering claims for allocation of funds among

Settlement Class Members; (e) determining the timeliness of each Proof of Claim and Release submitted by Settlement Class Members, including the adequacy of the supporting documents submitted by Settlement Class Members; (f) corresponding with Settlement Class Members regarding any deficiencies in their Proof of Claim and Release forms and regarding the final value of any allowed claim; (g) calculating each Authorized Claimant's allowed claim pursuant to the Distribution Plan; (h) determining the timeliness and validity of all Requests for Exclusion received from Settlement Class Members; (i) preparing the opt-out list and an affidavit attaching and attesting to the accuracy of such list, and providing same to Class Counsel and counsel for Société Générale; and (j) providing Class Counsel and counsel for Société Générale with copies of any Requests for Exclusion (including all documents submitted with such requests).

- 32. The Claims Administrator shall maintain a copy of all paper Settlement-related communications for a period of one (1) year after distribution of the Net Settlement Funds and shall maintain a copy of all electronic Settlement-related communications for a period of three (3) years after distribution of the Net Settlement Funds, after which time all such materials shall be destroyed, absent further direction from the Settling Parties or the Court.
- 33. The Court preliminarily approves the establishment of the Settlement Fund defined in the Settlement Agreement as a qualified settlement fund pursuant to Section 468B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 34. Neither the Settlement Agreement (nor any of its exhibits), whether or not the Effective Date occurs, nor any negotiations, documents, and discussions associated with them, nor the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment is or shall be deemed or construed to be an admission, adjudication, or evidence of (a) any violation of any statute or law or of any liability or

wrongdoing by Société Générale or any Released Party; (b) the truth of any of the claims or allegations alleged in the Action; (c) the incurrence of any damage, loss, or injury by any Person; (d) the existence or amount of any artificiality; or (e) the propriety of certification of a class other than solely for purposes of the Settlement. Further, neither the Settlement Agreement (including its exhibits), whether or not the Effective Date occurs, nor any negotiations, documents, and discussions associated with it, nor the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, may be discoverable or used directly or indirectly, in any way, whether in the Action or in any other action or proceeding of any nature, whether by the Settlement Class or any Person, except if warranted by existing law in connection with a dispute under the Settlement Agreement or an action in which the Settlement Agreement is asserted as a defense. All rights of Société Générale and Plaintiffs are reserved and retained if the Effective Date does not occur in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

- 35. Class Counsel shall file their motions for payment of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses, incentive awards, and for final approval of the Settlement at least fifty-six (56) days prior to the Settlement Hearing; and reply papers, if any, shall be filed no later than ten (10) days before the Settlement Hearing.
- 36. If the Settlement is approved by the Court following the Settlement Hearing, a Final Approval Order and Final Judgment will be entered as described in the Settlement Agreement.
- 37. The Court may, for good cause, extend any of the deadlines set forth in this Order without notice to Settlement Class Members, other than that which may be posted at the Court or on the Settlement Website, www.EuriborSettlement.com.
- 38. In the event that the Settlement is terminated in accordance with its provisions, the Settlement Agreement and all proceedings had in connection therewith, including but not limited

to all negotiations, documents, and discussions associated with them, and any Requests for

Exclusion from the Settlement previously submitted and deemed to be timely, shall be null and

void and be of no force and effect, except as expressly provided to the contrary in the Settlement

Agreement, and shall be without prejudice to the status quo ante rights of the Settling Parties, and

the Settlement Amount, and all interest earned in the Settlement Fund on that Settlement Amount,

shall be refunded, reimbursed, and repaid to Société Générale to the extent provided in the

Settlement Agreement.

39. If the Settlement is terminated or is ultimately not approved, the Court will modify

any existing scheduling order to ensure that the Settling Parties will have sufficient time to

prepare for the resumption of litigation.

40. Unless otherwise specified, the word "days," as used herein, means calendar days.

In the event that any date or deadline set forth herein falls on a weekend or federal or state legal

holiday, such date or deadline shall be deemed moved to the first business day thereafter.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this day of , 2023, at the Courthouse for the United States District

Court for the Southern District of New York.

Honorable P. Kevin Castel

United States District Judge

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

STEPHEN SULLIVAN, WHITE OAK FUND LP, CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SONTERRA CAPITAL MASTER FUND, LTD., FRONTPOINT PARTNERS TRADING FUND, L.P., AND FRONTPOINT AUSTRALIAN OPPORTUNITIES TRUST on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

- against -

BARCLAYS PLC, BARCLAYS BANK PLC,
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC., BNP PARIBAS S.A.,
CITIGROUP INC., CITIBANK, N.A.,
COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISENBOERENLEENBANK B.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE
S.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE CIB, DEUTSCHE BANK
AG, DB GROUP SERVICES UK LIMITED, HSBC
HOLDINGS PLC, HSBC BANK PLC, ICAP PLC,
ICAP EUROPE LIMITED, J.P. MORGAN CHASE &
CO., JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., THE ROYAL
BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE
SA, UBS AG AND JOHN DOE NOS. 1-50,

Defendants.

Docket No. 13-cv-02811 (PKC)

#### EXHIBIT B

[PROPOSED] FINAL APPROVAL ORDER OF SETTLEMENT WITH SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. This Final Approval Order hereby incorporates by reference the definitions in the Settlement Agreement and all terms used herein. Except as otherwise expressly defined herein, the terms used shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
  - 2. For purposes only of the settlement of the Released Claims<sup>2</sup> set forth in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Plaintiffs are Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS"), any subsequently named plaintiff(s), and any assignees of any named plaintiff(s) that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Released Claims" means any and all manner of claims, including, without limitation, 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, or damages, whenever incurred, or 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, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity, against the Released Parties arising from or relating in any way to conduct alleged in the Action or which could have been alleged in the Action against the Released Parties concerning Euribor, any Euribor Products or any similar financial instruments priced, benchmarked, or settled to Euribor purchased, sold, held, traded, and/or transacted by the Plaintiffs, Class Members, and/or Settling Class Members (to the extent such similar financial instruments were entered into by a U.S. Person, or by a Person from or through a location within the U.S.), or in which any of the foregoing otherwise had any interest, including, but not limited to, any alleged manipulation of Euribor or Euribor Products under the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. or any other statute, regulation, or common law, or any purported conspiracy, collusion, racketeering activity, or other improper conduct relating to Euribor (including, but not limited to, all claims under Section 1 of the Sherman

Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement"), the Court hereby finally certifies the following Settlement Class, and further adopts the definition of "Euribor Products" from the Settlement<sup>3</sup>:

All Persons who purchased, sold, held, traded or otherwise had any interest in Euribor Products from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, who were either domiciled in the United States or its territories or, if domiciled outside the United States or its territories, transacted in Euribor Products in the United States or its territories from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, including, but not limited to, all Persons who traded CME Euro currency futures contracts, all Persons who transacted in NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures and options from a location within the United States, and all Persons who traded any other Euribor Product from a location within the United States. Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government.<sup>4</sup>

3. Based on the record, the Court reconfirms that the applicable provisions of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure have been satisfied for purposes only of the Settlement.

Antitrust Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961-1968, and any other federal or state statute, regulation, or common law). The following claims shall not be released by this Settlement: (i) any claims against former employees of Société Générale arising solely from those former employees' conduct that occurred while not employed by Société Générale; (ii) any claims against the named Defendants in this Action other than Société Générale; (iii) any claims against interdealer brokers or their employees or agents when and to the extent they were engaged as employees or agents of the other Defendants or interdealer brokers; or (iv) any claims against any Defendant not affiliated with Société Générale who may be subsequently added in this Action. For the avoidance of doubt, Released Claims do not include claims arising under foreign law based solely on transactions executed entirely outside the United States by Settling Class Members domiciled outside the United States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Euribor Products" means any and all interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements, futures, options, structured products, and any other instrument or transaction related in any way to Euribor, including but not limited to, NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures contracts and options, CME Euro currency futures contracts and options, Euro currency forward agreements, Euribor-based swaps, Euribor-based forward rate agreements and/or any other financial instruments that reference Euribor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Notwithstanding that "[e]xcluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a Defendant, and the United States Government," and solely for the purposes of this Settlement and the Settlement Class, the Settling Parties agree that Investment Vehicles are not excluded from the Settlement Class solely on the basis of being deemed to be Defendants or affiliates or subsidiaries of Defendants. However, to the extent that any Defendant or any entity that might be deemed to be an affiliate or subsidiary thereof (i) managed or advised, and (ii) directly or indirectly held a beneficial interest in, said Investment Vehicle during the Class Period, that Defendant's beneficial interest in the Investment Vehicle is excluded from the Settlement Class.

- 4. In so holding, the Court finds that, solely for purposes of settlement, the Settlement Class meets all of the applicable requirements of FED. R. CIV. P. 23(a) and (b)(3). The Court hereby finds, in the specific context of this Settlement, that: (i) the Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder of all members of the Settlement Class is impracticable, FED. R. CIV. P. 23(a)(1); (ii) common questions of law and fact exist with regard to the Defendants' alleged manipulation of Euribor, and the prices of Euribor Products, FED. R. CIV. P. 23(a)(2); (iii) the Plaintiffs' claims in this litigation are typical of those of the members of the Settlement Class, FED. R. CIV. P. 23(a)(3); and (iv) the Plaintiffs' interests do not conflict with, and are co-extensive with, those of absent members of the Settlement Class, and Lowey Dannenberg, P.C. and Lovell Stewart Halebian Jacobson LLP ("Class Counsel") have adequately represented the interests of the Settlement Class, FED. R. CIV. P. 23(a)(4). The Court also finds that common issues of fact and law predominate over any questions affecting only individual members and that a class action is superior to other available methods for fairly and efficiently adjudicating this controversy. FED. R. CIV. P. 23(b)(3).
- 5. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Plaintiffs, Société Générale, and all Settlement Class Members and subject matter jurisdiction over the Action for the purpose of approving the Settlement Agreement and all exhibits attached thereto.
- 6. The Court finds that the mailed notice, publication notice, website, and class notice plan implemented pursuant to the Settlement Agreement: (a) constituted the best practicable notice; (b) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, of their right to exclude themselves from or object to the proposed Settlement, of their right to appear at the Settlement Hearing, of the Distribution Plan, of Class Counsel's application for an attorneys' fees award and for reimbursement of expenses associated with the Action, and Plaintiffs' motion for Incentive

Awards; (c) provided a full and fair opportunity to all Settlement Class Members to be heard with respect to the foregoing matters; and (d) met all applicable requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, due process, and any other applicable rules or law. Based upon Société Générale's submission to the Court dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023, the Court further finds that Société Générale has complied with the obligations imposed by the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005, 28 U.S.C. § 1715.

- 7. The Court finds that [\_\_\_] members of the Settlement Class have validly requested to be excluded from the Settlement Class. Those excluded members of the Settlement Class are identified at ECF No.\_\_\_\_.
- 8. The Court finds that [\_\_\_] objections to the proposed Settlement have been submitted. Notwithstanding the [lack of] objections, the Court has independently reviewed and considered all relevant factors and has conducted an independent examination into the propriety of the proposed Settlement.
- 9. It is hereby determined that all Settling Class Members are bound by the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order, regardless of whether such member of the Settlement Class executes and delivers a Proof of Claim and Release, and all of their Released Claims against the Releasees,<sup>5</sup> as provided under the Settlement Agreement, are hereby dismissed with prejudice and released.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Releasees" (or "Released Parties") means Société Générale, its predecessors, successors and assigns, its direct and indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and joint ventures, and each of their respective current and former officers, directors, employees, managers, members, partners, agents (in their capacity as agents of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), shareholders (in their capacity as shareholders of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), attorneys, insurers, or legal representatives, and their 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. For the avoidance of doubt, "Released Parties" shall not include any named Defendants other than Société Générale as defined herein.

- 10. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court hereby finally approves the Settlement, as set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and finds that the Settlement is, in all respects, fair, reasonable, and adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class, including the Plaintiffs. In reaching this conclusion, the Court considered the factors set forth in *City of Detroit v. Grinnell Corp.*, 495 F.2d 448, 463 (2d Cir. 1974), *abrogated on other grounds by Goldberger v. Integrated Res., Inc.*, 209 F.3d 43 (2d Cir. 2000). This Court further finds that the Settlement set forth in the Settlement Agreement is the result of arm's-length negotiations between experienced counsel representing the interests of the Parties, and that Class Counsel and Plaintiffs adequately represented the Settlement Class for the purpose of entering into and implementing the Settlement Agreement. Accordingly, the Settlement embodied in the Settlement Agreement is hereby approved in all respects. The Parties are hereby directed to carry out the Settlement Agreement in accordance with all of its terms and provisions, including the termination provisions.
- Agreement is validly terminated by the Plaintiffs or Société Générale, is disapproved in whole or in part by the Court, any appellate court, or any other court of review, or the Effective Date fails to occur, then the provisions of this Final Approval Order dismissing the Plaintiffs' claims shall be null and void with respect to such Settlement; the Plaintiffs' claims shall be reinstated; Société Générale's defenses shall be reinstated; the certification of the Settlement Class and final approval of the proposed Settlement, and all actions associated with them, including but not limited to any requests for exclusion from the Settlement previously submitted and deemed to be valid, shall be vacated and be of no force and effect; the Settlement Agreement, including its exhibits, and any and all negotiations, documents, and discussions associated with it and the releases set forth herein,

shall be without prejudice to the rights of any Party, and of no force or effect; and the Parties shall be returned to their respective positions before the Settlement Agreement was signed. Notwithstanding the language in this Section, any provision(s) in the Settlement Agreement that the Parties have agreed shall survive termination shall continue to have the same force and effect intended by the Parties.

- 12. The Settlement Fund defined in the Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Fund") has been established as a trust and shall be established as a fiduciary account (the "Settlement Fiduciary Account"). The Court further approves the establishment of the Settlement Fiduciary Account under the Settlement Agreement as a qualified settlement fund pursuant to Section 468B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder.
- the Court reserves exclusive jurisdiction over the implementation and enforcement of the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement contemplated thereby and over the enforcement of this Final Approval Order. The Court also retains exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any disputes arising out of or relating to the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement, or the Settlement Fund (except for such disputes and controversies as are subject to Paragraph 24.7 of the Settlement Agreement, which disputes and controversies shall be governed by the terms of such section), to consider or approve administration costs and fees, including but not limited to fees and expenses incurred to administer the Settlement after the entry of the Final Approval Order, and to consider or approve the amounts of distributions to Authorized Claimants. In addition, without affecting the finality of this Final Approval Order, Plaintiffs, Société Générale, and the Settling Class Members hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Southern

District of New York for any suit, action, proceeding, or dispute arising out of or relating to this Final Approval Order or the Settlement Agreement. Any disputes involving Plaintiffs, Société Générale or the Settling Class Members concerning the implementation of the Settlement Agreement shall be submitted to the Court.

- 14. Each Settling Class Member must execute a release and covenant not to sue in conformity with the Settlement Agreement, as incorporated into the Proof of Claim and Release, to receive the Settling Class Member's share(s), if any, of the Net Settlement Fund defined in the Settlement Agreement. The Court hereby confirms the appointment of A.B. Data, Ltd. as Claims Administrator, and directs that the Claims Administrator shall ensure that each Proof of Claim and Release provided to Settlement Class Members contains a copy of such release and covenant not to sue. However, each Settling Class Member's claims shall be released pursuant to Paragraphs 15-16 of the Settlement Agreement, regardless of whether the Settling Class Member executes a release and covenant not to sue pursuant to this Paragraph 14.
- 15. The Court hereby approves the Releasors' release of claims as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and this Final Approval Order as of the Effective Date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Releasors" (or "Releasing Parties") means each and every Plaintiff, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and each and every Settling Class Member on their 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 and any other Person legally entitled to bring Released Claims on their behalf or by reason of their relationship to any of the foregoing Persons. Notwithstanding that the U.S. Government is excluded from the Settlement Class, with respect to any Settling 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 Released Claims on behalf of Plaintiffs, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and Settling Class Members.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Upon the Effective Date, and in exchange for the receipt of the Settlement Amount provided for herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Releasors, and any other Person claiming against the Settlement Fund (now or in the future) through or on behalf of any Releasor, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the

16. The Court declares that the Settlement Agreement and the Final Approval Order shall be binding on, and shall have *res judicata* and preclusive effect in, all pending and future lawsuits or other proceedings against Releasees encompassed by the Released Claims that are maintained by or on behalf of any Releasor, regardless of whether the Releasor previously initiated or subsequently initiates individual litigation or other proceedings encompassed by the Released

Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged Releasees from any and all Released Claims, and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from instituting, commencing or prosecuting any such Released Claim against any Releasee in any lawsuit, arbitration or other proceeding against any Releasee in any court or venue in any jurisdiction worldwide. Each Releasor shall be deemed to have released all Released Claims against the Releasees regardless of whether any such Releasor ever seeks or obtains by any means, including, without limitation, by submitting a Proof of Claim and Release, any distribution from the Settlement Fund or Net Settlement Fund. The releases set forth herein are given pursuant to New York law, including N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108 which bars claims for contribution by joint tortfeasors and other similar claims, and are to be construed under New York law without regard to its conflict of law principles. The Settlement Agreement is expressly intended to absolve Releasees against any claims for contribution, indemnification, or similar claims from other Defendants in the Action or any defendant who may be subsequently added to this Action, arising out of or related to the Released Claims, in the manner and to the fullest extent permitted under the law of New York (including, without limitation, N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108) or any other jurisdiction that might be construed or deemed to apply to any claims for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against any Releasee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, should any court determine that any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action is or was legally entitled to any kind of contribution or indemnification from Société Générale arising out of or related to Released Claims, the Releasors agree that any money judgment subsequently obtained by the Releasors against any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action shall be reduced to an amount such that, upon paying the entire amount, the Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action would have no claim for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against Société Générale.

Although the release set forth above is not a general release, such release constitutes a waiver of any and all rights arising under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (to the extent it applies to the Action), which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

The release set forth above also constitutes a waiver of any and all provisions, rights, and benefits of any federal, state, or foreign law, rule, regulation, or principle of law or equity that is similar, comparable, equivalent to, or which has the effect of, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code. The Settling Class Members acknowledge that they are aware that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to, or different from, those facts which they know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Settlement Agreement, but that it is their intention to release fully, finally, and forever all of the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. In entering and making the Settlement Agreement, the Settling Parties assume the risk of any mistake of fact or law, and the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding any mistake of fact or law.

Claims, and even if such Releasor never received actual notice of the Action or this proposed Settlement.

- 17. The Court permanently bars and enjoins the Releasors from: (a) filing, commencing, prosecuting, intervening in, or participating (as class members or otherwise) in any other lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding in any jurisdiction against Société Générale, or any Releasees based on the Released Claims; (b) filing, commencing, or prosecuting a lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding as a class action on behalf of any Settling Class Members (including by seeking to amend a pending complaint to include class allegations or seeking class certification in a pending action), against Société Générale, or any Releasees based on the Released Claims; (c) organizing Settlement Class Members into a separate group, class, or subclass for purposes of pursuing as a purported class action any lawsuit or administrative, regulatory, arbitration, or other proceeding (including by seeking to amend a pending complaint to include class allegations, or seeking class certification in a pending action) against Société Générale, or any Releasees based on the Released Claims; and (d) assisting any third party in commencing or maintaining any suit against any Releasee related in any way to any Released Claims.
- 18. The Court permanently bars and enjoins claims by any Person against Société Générale or any Releasees for all or a portion of any amounts paid or awarded in the Action by way of settlement, judgment, or otherwise. To the extent permitted by law, the Court permanently bars and enjoins claims against Société Générale, and any Releasees, for contribution or indemnification (however denominated) for all or a portion of any amounts paid or awarded in the Action by way of settlement, judgment, or otherwise by (a) any of the other Defendants currently named in the Action; (b) any other Person formerly named as a party in the Action; or (c) any other

Person subsequently added or joined as a party in the Action. Should any court determine that any Defendant is or was legally entitled to any kind of set-off, apportionment, contribution, or indemnification from Société Générale or any Releasee arising out of or related to Released Claims, any money judgment subsequently obtained by the Releasors against any Defendant shall be reduced to an amount such that, upon paying the entire amount, the Defendant would have no claim for set-off, apportionment, contribution, indemnification, or similar claims against Société Générale or any Releasee.

19. Neither the Settlement Agreement (nor its exhibits), whether or not the Effective Date occurs, nor any negotiations, documents exchanged among counsel for the Plaintiffs and Société Générale in connection with settlement discussions, and discussions associated with them, nor the Final Approval Order and Judgment are or may be deemed to be or may be used as an admission of, or evidence of: (a) the validity of any Released Claims, of any allegation made in the Action, or of any wrongdoing or liability of Releasees; (b) any liability, fault or omission of the Releasees in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding before any court, administrative agency, arbitration panel or other tribunal; (c) the incurrence of any damage, loss, or injury by any Person; (d) the existence or amount of any artificiality; or (e) the propriety of certification of a class other than solely for purposes of the Settlement. Further, neither the Settlement Agreement (nor its exhibits), whether or not the Effective Date occurs, nor any negotiations, documents exchanged among counsel for Plaintiffs and Société Générale in connection with settlement discussions, and discussions associated with them, nor the Final Approval Order and Judgment, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Settlement, shall be discoverable, admissible, or used directly or indirectly for any purpose whether in the Action or in any other proceeding of any nature for any purpose, except to enforce the terms of the

Settlement, and except that the Releasees may file the Settlement Agreement and/or the Judgment in any action for any purpose, including, but not limited to, in support of a defense or counterclaim based on principles of *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion, or any similar defense or counterclaim. Plaintiffs' Counsel may use any and all of the information and documents obtained from Société Générale only for the purpose of the Action against the non-settling defendants, but not for the institution or prosecution of any other action or proceeding against any Releasee or for any other purpose whatsoever. Plaintiffs and Société Générale, without the need for approval from the Court, may adopt such amendments, modifications, and expansions of the Settlement Agreement and all exhibits thereto as (i) shall be consistent in all material respects with the Final Approval Order; and (ii) do not limit the rights of Settling Class Members.

- 20. The Court finds that, during the course of the Action, Plaintiffs, Société Générale, and their respective counsel at all times complied with the requirements of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure as to each other. Any data or other information provided by Settling Class Members in connection with the submission of claims shall be held in strict confidence, available only to the Claims Administrator, Class Counsel, experts and/or consultants acting on behalf of the Settlement Class. In no event shall a member of the Settlement Class's data or personal information be made publicly available, except as provided for herein or upon Court Order for good cause shown.
- 21. The Proof of Claim and Release form and Distribution Plan are each approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate.

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22. The word "days," as used herein, means calendar days. In the event that any date

or deadline set forth herein falls on a weekend or federal or state legal holiday, such date or

deadline shall be deemed moved to the first Business Day thereafter.

23. The Court's certification of the Settlement Class and appointment of the Plaintiffs

as class representatives, as provided herein, is without prejudice to, or waiver of, the rights of any

Defendant to contest any other request by the Plaintiffs to certify a class. The Court's findings in

this Final Approval Order shall have no effect on the Court's ruling on any motion to certify any

other class or to appoint other class representatives in this litigation or any challenge to the

Plaintiffs' capacity to litigate against other Defendants or to represent another putative class, and

no party may cite or refer to the Court's approval of the Settlement Class as binding or persuasive

authority with respect to any such motion or challenge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Honorable P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

STEPHEN SULLIVAN, WHITE OAK FUND LP, CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SONTERRA CAPITAL MASTER FUND, LTD., FRONTPOINT PARTNERS TRADING FUND, L.P., AND FRONTPOINT AUSTRALIAN OPPORTUNITIES TRUST on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

- against -

BARCLAYS PLC, BARCLAYS BANK PLC,
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC., BNP PARIBAS S.A.,
CITIGROUP INC., CITIBANK, N.A.,
COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISENBOERENLEENBANK B.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE
S.A., CRÉDIT AGRICOLE CIB, DEUTSCHE BANK
AG, DB GROUP SERVICES UK LIMITED, HSBC
HOLDINGS PLC, HSBC BANK PLC, ICAP PLC,
ICAP EUROPE LIMITED, J.P. MORGAN CHASE &
CO., JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., THE ROYAL
BANK OF SCOTLAND PLC, SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE
SA, UBS AG AND JOHN DOE NOS. 1-50,

Defendants.

Docket No. 13-cv-02811 (PKC)

## **EXHIBIT C**

[PROPOSED]
FINAL JUDGMENT OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE OF SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED:

- 1. This Judgment hereby incorporates by reference the definitions in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement between Plaintiffs and Société Générale dated March 31, 2023 (the "Settlement Agreement"). All terms used herein, except as otherwise expressly defined herein, shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 2. The Action, including each claim in the Action, is hereby dismissed with prejudice on the merits as to Société Générale and without fees or cost.
- 3. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement, all of the following claims shall be released. Specifically, the Releasors,<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Plaintiffs are Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS"), any subsequently named plaintiff(s), and any assignees of any named plaintiff(s) that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Releasors" (or "Releasing Parties") means each and every Plaintiff, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and each and every Settling Class Member on their 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 and any other Person legally entitled to bring Released Claims on their behalf or by reason of their relationship to any of the foregoing Persons. Notwithstanding that the U.S. Government is excluded from the Settlement Class, with respect to any Settling 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 Released Claims on behalf of Plaintiffs, Sonterra Capital Master Fund, Ltd., FrontPoint Partners Trading Fund, L.P., FrontPoint Australian Opportunities Trust, and Settling Class Members.

and any other Person claiming against the Settlement Fund (now or in the future) through or on behalf of any Releasor, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever released, relinquished and discharged Releasees<sup>3</sup> from "Released Claims":

any and all manner of claims, including, without limitation, 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, or damages, whenever incurred, or 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, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity, against the Released Parties arising from or relating in any way to conduct alleged in the Action or which could have been alleged in the Action against the Released Parties concerning Euribor, any Euribor Products<sup>4</sup> or any similar financial instruments priced, benchmarked, or settled to Euribor purchased, sold, held, traded, and/or transacted by the Plaintiffs, Class Members, and/or Settling Class Members (to the extent such similar financial instruments were entered into by a U.S. Person, or by a Person from or through a location within the U.S.), or in which any of the foregoing otherwise had any interest, including, but not limited to, any alleged manipulation of Euribor or Euribor Products under the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. or any other statute, regulation, or common law, or any purported conspiracy, collusion, racketeering activity, or other improper conduct relating to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Releasees" (or "Released Parties") means Société Générale, its predecessors, successors and assigns, its direct and indirect parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, and joint ventures, and each of their respective current and former officers, directors, employees, managers, members, partners, agents (in their capacity as agents of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), shareholders (in their capacity as shareholders of Société Générale or its affiliates and subsidiaries), attorneys, insurers, or legal representatives, and their 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. For the avoidance of doubt, "Released Parties" shall not include any named Defendants other than Société Générale as defined herein.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Euribor Products" means any and all interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements, futures, options, structured products, and any other instrument or transaction related in any way to Euribor, including but not limited to, NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures contracts and options, CME Euro currency futures contracts and options, Euro currency forward agreements, Euribor-based swaps, Euribor-based forward rate agreements and/or any other financial instruments that reference Euribor.

Euribor (including, but not limited to, all claims under Section 1 of the Sherman Antitrust Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961-1968, and any other federal or state statute, regulation, or common law). The following claims shall not be released by this Settlement: (i) any claims against former employees of Société Générale arising solely from those former employees' conduct that occurred while not employed by Société Générale; (ii) any claims against the named Defendants in this Action other than Société Générale; (iii) any claims against interdealer brokers or their employees or agents when and to the extent they were engaged as employees or agents of the other Defendants or interdealer brokers; or (iv) any claims against any Defendant not affiliated with Société Générale who may be subsequently added in this Action. For the avoidance of doubt, Released Claims do not include claims arising under foreign law based solely on transactions executed entirely outside the United States by Settling Class Members domiciled outside the United States.

4. This release constitutes a waiver of any and all rights arising under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (to the extent it applies to the Action), which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

The release also constitutes a waiver of any and all provisions, rights, and benefits of any federal, state or foreign law, rule, regulation, or principle of law or equity that is similar, comparable, equivalent to, or which has the effect of, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code.

With respect to the Settlement Agreement, the Releasors acknowledge that they are aware that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to, or different from, those facts which they know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Settlement Agreement, but that it is their intention to release fully, finally, and forever all of the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. In entering and making the

Settlement Agreement, the Settling Parties assume the risk of any mistake of fact or law, and the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding any mistake of fact or law.

5. The Court, finding no just reason for delay, directs pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that the judgment of dismissal as to Société Générale shall be final and entered forthwith. The Court concludes that the risk of piecemeal appeals is low because of the absence of objectors.

IT IS SO ORDERED.		
Signed this day of	, 2023.	
		Honorable P. Kevin Castel
		United States District Judge