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Washington, DC 20463

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 16 SUBJECT: MUR 7454 (Blue Magnolia Investments, LLC)
 17 Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation
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 19 DATE: October 21, 2021

20 The Commission, on October 13, 2021, rejected OGC's recommendation to accept the
 21 negotiated conciliation agreement with Blue Magnolia Investments, LLC ("Blue Magnolia")
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24 Accordingly, a signed
 25 agreement that would settle Blue Magnolia's violation of 11 C.F.R. § 110.1(g)(5) is attached.
 26 Attach. 2. We recommend that the Commission accept the signed agreement and close the file in
 27 this matter as to Blue Magnolia.²
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¹ Certification ¶ 1-2, MUR 7454 (Oct. 13, 2021). OGC had previously negotiated an agreement with Blue Magnolia and submitted it for the Commission's approval on August 24, 2021, pursuant to the Commission's vote to find reason to believe and authorize pre-probable cause conciliation on May 20, 2021. Certification ¶ 1, 8, MUR 7454 (May 20, 2021); *see* Certification, MUR 7454 (July 26, 2021) (approving Factual and Legal Analyses).

² The matter would remain open as to the other respondents, Highway 76 LLC and DefendArizona and Benjamin Ottenhoff in his official capacity as treasurer, with whom conciliation negotiations are ongoing. *See also* Certification ¶ 3, MUR 7454 (Oct. 13, 2021) (instructing OGC to make identical language changes to the draft conciliation agreements being negotiated with other respondents).

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14 We therefore recommend that the
15 Commission accept the attached signed agreement and close the file as to Blue Magnolia.

16 RECOMMENDATIONS

19 2. Close the file as to Blue Magnolia Investments, LLC.

20 3. Approve the appropriate letter.

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