

EXHIBIT 55

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Cc: Heather Schoeppe[HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com]; Wires[Wires@chainbridgebank.com]
From: Maria Cole
Sent: Thur 3/26/2020 12:12:21 PM
Subject: RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

Thanks Claudia,
They will wire out today 2 wires totaling \$22,680,000.00
Funds are available?

Maria Cole

Assistant Vice President & Commercial Relationship Manager

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Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2020 12:09 PM
To: Claudia A. Mojica <cmojica@chainbridgebank.com>; Rick Claburn <rclaburn@chainbridgebank.com>; Maria Cole <mcole@chainbridgebank.com>
Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>; Wires <Wires@chainbridgebank.com>
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Copy that.
Thanks
MR

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Here you go Mike:

WIRE TRANSFER NOTICE

3/26/20
Chain Bridge Bank NA
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Plaintiff's
Trial Exhibit
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Exhibit
0023

INCOMING WIRE TRANSFER

IMAD: 20200326B1QGC06C006570
 OMAD: 20200326MMQFMPCZ00001103261155FT01

Amount of Wire: \$456,888,600.00
 Credit Account: Acct Ending 7459

Originator: CALIFORNIA STATE TREASURER
 Originator Address: CONCENTRATION ACCOUNT
 915 CAPITOL MALL RM 319
 Originator Bank: JPMORGAN CHASE
 Originator Bank ABA: 021000021
 Originator to Beneficiary: BY ORDER OF DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

Wire Fee: \$.00

Beneficiary:
 Blue Flame Medical LLC
 499 S Capitol St, SW, Ste 420
 Washington DC 20003

Chain Bridge Bank N A Wire Department

This is an automated email. Please do not respond to this email.

Claudia A. Mojica

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Rick – can you forward the details on the incoming wire?

Thanks

MR

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From: Rick Claburn

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2020 11:58 AM

To: Maria Cole <mcole@chainbridgebank.com>; Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>; Wires <Wires@chainbridgebank.com>

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Hi Maria,

The wire has been received and credited to the client's account.

Best Regards,

Rick Claburn

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Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>; Wires <Wires@chainbridgebank.com>

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John Thomas just called me asking if the wire already hit their account. They are expecting it today, they were told it was going to be sent at 8:00 am Western Time.

I told them they are set up for wire notifications, both him and Mike Gula.

This is just an update.

Best,

Maria Cole

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From: Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2020 9:30 AM

To: Maria Cole <mcole@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>
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No rush on it.
Thanks
MR

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I just have to request a transfer for Stephanie Fenjiro and will get this account ready... will let you know when ready.

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Don't upload yet. We'll wait on this to go live.
I'll have the ICS Agreement ready in the next 10 minutes.
MR

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From: Maria Cole

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Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>

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Awesome. Thanks Mike. I couldn't remember the numbers upfront....I think I got it from there. Do you want me to upload it of just wait?

Best,
Maria

From: Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>

Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2020 9:22 AM

To: Maria Cole <mcole@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

Hey Maria – ICS shadow accounts will be 2199+the last 6 digits of the account it will be linked to, so in this case the last 6 digits of the Blue Flame Medical account that was opened yesterday.

You will have to select "ICS Shadow Acct" in the account type field on the first screen of the account opening.

Let me know if you have ?'s
Thanks
MR

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From: Maria Cole

Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 6:50 PM

To: Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: Re: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

Sure thing Mike! I will do this first thing in the morning.
Just finished up his wire agreement and sent it via DocuSign.

The shadow account starts with 2300*****?

Thanks and have a great evening!

Best,
Maria

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2020, at 6:34 PM, Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com> wrote:

Hey Heather - yeah I'm skeptical of this whole thing too.

In any event, will monitor and adjust as needed. I don't believe any funds were transferred in today. He may be opening himself up if he provides wire instructions to this group that supposedly is sending him funds. So we should be on the lookout for potential fraudulent transactions.

I'll work up the ICS agreement just in case and Maria, can you work up the ICS shadow account and not upload yet?

Thanks and let me know if there are questions.

MR

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Sent from my Verizon Wireless mobile device

On Mar 25, 2020, at 5:46 PM, Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com> wrote:

Hi Mike,

John and David were going to reach out to him to confirm the information b/c they are very skeptical about this. If it ends up being real, then we discussed putting them on ICS. Would it be possible for Maria to prepare ICS paperwork tomorrow in case it goes that way? They said we would need it off of the books asap. They just think it seems very strange a company established 2 days ago would get awarded this huge contract from California. I'll keep you posted and thanks for telling me to reach out to them.

Have a great evening,
Heather

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Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 5:12 PM

To: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

Hey Heather – tried to call you but missed you . . . checking to see what the verdict was on this anticipated wire.

Thanks
MR

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From: Heather Schoeppe**Sent:** Wednesday, March 25, 2020 4:31 PM**To:** John J. Brough <JBrough@chainbridgebank.com>; Mike Richardson <mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>;
Joanna Williamson <jwilliamson@chainbridgebank.com>**Subject:** RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

Call me back

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<mrichardson@chainbridgebank.com>; Joanna Williamson <jwilliamson@chainbridgebank.com>**Subject:** RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire 450 million

I'm on the phone with David. Trying to conference you in Heather.

John

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Joanna Williamson <jwilliamson@chainbridgebank.com>

John and Joanna,
We opened an account today for Blue Flame Medical/Mike Gula and he is expecting a wire in today for 450 Million from the State of California. Mike Gula said the Governor of California just announced that California is buying 100 Million N95 masks from China and will be deploying them. Mike's company Blue Flame Medical received the contract. He said the money should be in today and will be spent out fairly rapidly as China produces the masks and they pay them. He said he understands that the timing is important to us and can give us more information tomorrow on the timing of payments out of the account.

I will call you right away, but wanted you to see this in case I can't reach you immediately.

Thanks,
Heather

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Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 4:00 PM

To: Heather Schoeppe <HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Wires <Wires@chainbridgebank.com>; Commercial Banking <commercialbanking@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: Re: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire

Anything of that size would need to be known on the front end because that's half our asset size and could be problems on our capital ratios.

Please reach out to confirm and let's talk with John and Joanna if it turns out to be something that massive.

MR

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On Mar 25, 2020, at 3:54 PM, Heather Schoeppe
<HSchoeppe@chainbridgebank.com> wrote:

He actually said 450 million. I was hoping Maria knew about it already b/c it is pretty

crazy and would explain why he is going crazy today. If not, then maybe someone should reach out to discuss further to see what it's all about and the timeline of how long it will be here. I'm happy to do it if you want.

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Cc: Commercial Banking <commercialbanking@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: RE: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire

Heather – I hope you're using "M" as roman numeral for thousands and not "M" for millions. ☺

MR

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Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2020 3:31 PM

To: Wires <Wires@chainbridgebank.com>

Cc: Commercial Banking <commercialbanking@chainbridgebank.com>

Subject: Blue Flame Medical incoming wire

Mike Gula with Blue Flame Medical is expecting a wire from the state of California for 450M. and he would like to be contacted at 202-255-9745 as soon as we receive the funds.

Thank You,
Heather

Heather Schoeppe

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