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Fund A =

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Dear :

This letter revokes PLR 200745021 (PLR-124179-06¹) issued to Funds A and B (the “Funds”) on June 20, 2006.

In PLR 200745021, the Internal Revenue Service (the “Service”) issued a ruling that income and gain from certain commodity-linked notes constitute qualifying income

¹ PLR-124179-06 is the controlling PLR number for a multi-filer private letter ruling. Each of Funds A and B were assigned a separate PLR number. This letter refers to the controlling PLR number, but applies equally to the rulings issued to all of the Funds under their respective, separately assigned PLR numbers.

under section 851(b)(2) (the "CLN Ruling"). In a letter dated September 29, 2016, the Service notified the Funds that it was considering revoking the CLN Ruling.

Since issuing PLR 200745021, the Service has determined that having provided a private letter ruling on the issue in the CLN Ruling is not in accord with the current views of the Service. See Rev. Proc. 2016-50, 2016-43 I.R.B. 522, superseded by Rev. Proc. 2017-3, 2017-1 I.R.B.130, 140 (section 4.01(44)); see also REG-123600-16, 81 Fed. Reg. 66576-77 (Sept. 28, 2016). Section 11.04 of Rev. Proc. 2017-1, 2017-1 I.R.B. 1, 61, provides, in part, that unless it was part of a closing agreement, a letter ruling found to be in error or not in accordance with the current views of the Service may be revoked or modified. Accordingly, PLR 200745021 is revoked.

Section 11.04 of Rev. Proc. 2017-1 also provides that, if a letter ruling is revoked, the revocation applies to all years open under the statute of limitations on assessment unless the Service uses its discretionary authority under section 7805(b) to limit the retroactive effect of the revocation. To date, Funds have not responded to the September 29, 2016, letter from the Service with a request for relief under section 7805(b). Therefore, the revocation of PLR 200745021 applies retroactively to all years open under the statute of limitations on assessment as of the date of this letter and to all future years.

In accordance with the power of attorney on file with this office, we are sending a copy of this letter to the Funds' authorized representative. We are also sending a copy of this letter to the appropriate operating division.

Sincerely,

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