## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE XL FLEET CORP. SECURITIES LITIGATION

Case No. 1:21-cv-02002-JLR

# FINAL JUDGMENT APPROVING CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND ORDER OF DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE

WHEREAS, a consolidated class action is pending in this Court entitled *In re XL Fleet Corp. Sec. Litig.*, Case No. 1:21-cv-02002-JLR (the "Action");

WHEREAS, (a) lead plaintiff Delton Rowe and additional plaintiffs Jeffrey Suh, Carl Enslin, Simone Heridis, and Soraya Heridis (née Matamoros) (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class (defined below), and (b) defendants XL Fleet Corp., ("XL Fleet")<sup>1</sup> and Jonathan J. Ledecky, James H.R. Brady, Kevin Griffin, Thomas J. Hynes III, Dimitri Kazarinoff, and Brian Piern (collectively, "Individual Defendants"; and together with XL Fleet, "Defendants"; and together with Plaintiffs, the "Parties") have determined to settle all claims asserted against Defendants in this Action with prejudice on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated December 6, 2023 (the "Stipulation"), that provides for a complete dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation, and a separate confidential supplemental agreement, subject to the approval of this Court (the "Settlement");

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> XL Fleet is now known as Spruce Power Holding Corporation.

WHEREAS, unless otherwise defined in this Judgment, the capitalized terms herein shall have the same meaning as they have in the Stipulation;

WHEREAS, by Order dated January 18, 2024 (the "Preliminary Approval Order"), this Court: (a) preliminarily approved the Settlement; (b) certified the Settlement Class solely for purposes of effectuating the Settlement; (c) ordered that notice of the proposed Settlement be provided to potential Settlement Class Members; (d) provided Settlement Class Members with the opportunity either to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or to object to the proposed Settlement; and (e) scheduled a hearing regarding final approval of the Settlement;

WHEREAS, due and adequate notice has been given to the Settlement Class;

WHEREAS, the Court conducted a hearing on April 30, 2024 (the "Settlement Hearing") to consider, among other things, (a) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement are fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class, and should therefore be approved; and (b) whether a judgment should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice as against the Defendants; and

WHEREAS, the Court having reviewed and considered the Stipulation, all papers filed and proceedings held herein in connection with the Settlement, all oral and written comments received regarding the Settlement, and the record in the Action, and good cause appearing therefor; and for the reasons set forth on the record on April 30, 2024;

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

- 1. <u>Jurisdiction</u> The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action, and all matters relating to the Settlement, as well as personal jurisdiction over all of the Parties and each of the Settlement Class Members.
  - 2. Incorporation of Settlement Documents This Judgment incorporates and

makes a part hereof: (a) the Stipulation filed with the Court on December 8, 2023 (ECF No. 182-1); and (b) the Notice, the Summary Notice, and the Postcard Notice, all of which were filed with the Court on March 26, 2024 (ECF No. 196-1).

3. Class Certification for Settlement Purposes – The Court hereby affirms its determinations in the Preliminary Approval Order certifying, for the purposes of the Settlement only, the Action as a class action pursuant to Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of the Settlement Class consisting of all persons and entities that purchased or otherwise acquired the publicly traded common stock, units, and/or warrants of XL Fleet or Pivotal Investment Corporation II ("Pivotal"), purchased or otherwise acquired publicly traded XL Fleet or Pivotal call options, and/or wrote publicly traded XL Fleet or Pivotal put options, between September 18, 2020 and March 31, 2021, both dates inclusive, and were damaged thereby. Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (a) persons who suffered no compensable losses; and (b)(i) Defendants; (ii) any person who served as a partner, control person, officer, and/or director of XL Fleet or Pivotal during the Settlement Class Period, and members of their Immediate Families; (iii) present and former parents, subsidiaries, assigns, successors, affiliates, and predecessors of XL Fleet and Pivotal; (iv) any entity in which the Defendants have or had a controlling interest; (v) any trust of which an Individual Defendant is the settler or which is for the benefit of an Individual Defendant and/or member(s) of their Immediate Families; (vi) Defendants' liability insurance carriers; and (vii) the legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns of any person or entity excluded under provisions (i) through (vi) hereof.<sup>2</sup> Also excluded from the Settlement Class are the persons and entities listed on Exhibit 1 hereto who or which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For the avoidance of doubt, "affiliates" are persons or entities that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, control, are controlled by or are under common control with one of the Defendants.

are excluded from the Settlement Class pursuant to request.

- 4. Adequacy of Representation Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and for the purposes of the Settlement only, the Court hereby affirms its determinations in the Preliminary Approval Order certifying Plaintiffs as Class Representatives for the Settlement Class and appointing Lead Counsel as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class. Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel have fairly and adequately represented the Settlement Class both in terms of litigating the Action and for purposes of entering into and implementing the Settlement and have satisfied the requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(a)(4) and 23(g), respectively.
- 5. Notice The Court finds that the dissemination of the Postcard Notice, the online posting of the Notice, and the publication of the Summary Notice: (a) were implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action; (ii) the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the Releases to be provided thereunder); (iii) Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; (iv) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; (v) their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; and (vi) their right to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, as amended, and all other

applicable law and rules.

- 6. No Settlement Class Member is relieved from the terms of the Settlement, including the releases provided for therein, based upon the contention or proof that such Settlement Class Member failed to receive actual or adequate notice. A full opportunity has been offered to the Settlement Class Members to object to the proposed Settlement and to participate in the hearing thereon. The Court further finds that the notice provisions of the Class Action Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1715, were fully discharged and that the statutory waiting period has elapsed. Thus, it is hereby determined that all members of the Settlement Class are bound by this Judgment, except those persons listed on Exhibit 1 to this Judgment.
- 7. Final Settlement Approval and Dismissal of Claims Pursuant to, and in accordance with, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court hereby fully and finally approves the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation in all respects (including, without limitation: the amount of the Settlement; the Releases provided for therein; and the dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action), and finds that the Settlement is, in all respects, fair, reasonable, and adequate to the Settlement Class. The Parties are directed to implement, perform, and consummate the Settlement in accordance with the terms and provisions contained in the Stipulation.
- 8. The Action and all of the claims asserted against Defendants in the Action by Plaintiffs and the other Settlement Class Members are hereby dismissed with prejudice. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Stipulation.
- 9. <u>Binding Effect</u> The terms of the Stipulation and of this Judgment shall be forever binding on Defendants, Plaintiffs, and all other Settlement Class Members (regardless of

whether or not any individual Settlement Class Member submits a Claim Form or seeks or obtains a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund), as well as their respective successors and assigns. The persons and entities listed on Exhibit 1 hereto are excluded from the Settlement Class pursuant to request and are not bound by the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.

- 10. <u>Releases</u> The Releases set forth in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Stipulation, together with the definitions contained in paragraph 1 of the Stipulation relating thereto, are expressly incorporated herein in all respects. The Releases are effective as of the Effective Date. Accordingly, this Court orders that:
- Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 11 below, (a) upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Plaintiffs and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves, and on behalf of any other person or entity legally entitled to bring Released Plaintiffs' Claims on behalf of the respective Settlement Class Member in such capacity only, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived, and discharged each and every Released Plaintiffs' Claim against the Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees (including, without limitation, Unknown Claims) whether or not such Settlement Class Members execute and deliver the Proof of Claim or share in the Net Settlement Fund, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims (including, without limitation, Unknown Claims) against any of the Defendants' Releasees in any court of law or equity, arbitral forum, administrative forum, or in the court of any foreign jurisdiction, whether or not such Settlement Class Members execute and deliver the Proof of Claim or shares in the Net Settlement Fund. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to interpret and enforce the permanent injunction described in this paragraph. This

Release shall not apply to any of the Excluded Claims (as that term is defined in paragraph 1(s) of the Stipulation).

- (b) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 11 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves, and on behalf of any other person or entity legally entitled to bring Released Defendants' Claims on behalf of Defendants in such capacity only, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived, and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim against Plaintiffs and the other Plaintiffs' Releasees (including, without limitation, Unknown Claims), and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims (including, without limitation, Unknown Claims) against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees. This Release shall not apply to any person or entity listed on Exhibit 1 hereto.
- 11. Notwithstanding paragraphs 10(a) (b) above, nothing in this Judgment shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.
- 12. Rule 11 Findings The Court finds and concludes that the Parties and their respective counsel have complied in all respects with the requirements of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in connection with the institution, prosecution, defense, and settlement of the Action.
- 13. <u>No Admissions</u> Neither this Judgment, the Term Sheet, the Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits thereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Term Sheet and the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in

connection with the Term Sheet, the Stipulation, and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

- (a) shall be offered against any of the Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiffs or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation;
- (b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees, as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault, or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees, in any civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; or
- (c) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given under the Settlement represents the amount which could be or would have been recovered after trial; *provided*, *however*, that the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to this Judgment and the

Stipulation to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder and thereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

- 14. The Defendants' Releasees' may file the Stipulation and/or this Judgment in any other action that may be brought against them in order to support 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 similar defense or counterclaim.
- 15. **Retention of Jurisdiction** Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, this Court retains continuing and exclusive jurisdiction over: (a) the Parties for purposes of the administration, interpretation, implementation, and enforcement of the Settlement; (b) the disposition of the Settlement Fund; (c) any motion for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses by Lead Counsel in the Action that will be paid from the Settlement Fund; (d) any motion to approve the Plan of Allocation; (e) any motion to approve the Class Distribution Order; and (f) the Settlement Class Members for all matters relating to the Action.
- 16. Separate orders shall be entered regarding approval of a plan of allocation and the motion of Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Such orders shall in no way affect or delay the finality of this Judgment and shall not affect or delay the Effective Date of the Settlement.
- 17. <u>Modification of the Agreement of Settlement</u> Without further approval from the Court, Plaintiffs and Defendants are hereby authorized to agree to and adopt such amendments or modifications of the Stipulation or any exhibits attached thereto to effectuate the Settlement that: (a) are not materially inconsistent with this Judgment; and (b) do not materially limit the rights of Settlement Class Members in connection with the Settlement. Without further

order of the Court, Plaintiffs and Defendants may agree to reasonable extensions of time to carry

out any provisions of the Settlement.

18. **Termination of Settlement** – If the Settlement is terminated as provided in the

Stipulation or the Effective Date of the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, this Judgment shall

be vacated, rendered null and void and be of no further force and effect, except as otherwise

provided by the Stipulation, and this Judgment shall be without prejudice to the rights of

Plaintiffs, the other Settlement Class Members, Defendants and Defendants' Releasees, and the

Parties shall revert to their respective positions in the Action as of September 28, 2023, as

provided in the Stipulation.

19. **Entry of Final Judgment** – There is no just reason to delay the entry of this

Judgment as a final judgment in this Action. Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is expressly

directed to immediately enter this final judgment in this Action.

20. Confidentiality Orders – The Court's orders entered during this Action relating

to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement.

The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to lift the stay (ECF No. 175), terminate all pending

motions, enter judgment, and close this case.

SO ORDERED this 30th day of April , 2024.

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### Exhibit 1

## <u>List of Persons and Entities Excluded from the Settlement Class Pursuant to Request</u>

- 1. Timothy Jordan Ohar; and
- 2. Kangyoon Bae.