

Exhibit A

Form **W-8ECI**

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Certificate of Foreign Person's Claim That Income Is Effectively Connected With the Conduct of a Trade or Business in the United States

▶ Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code. ▶ See separate instructions.
▶ Give this form to the withholding agent or payer. Do not send to the IRS.

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Note: Persons submitting this form must file an annual U.S. income tax return to report income claimed to be effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business (see instructions).

Do not use this form for:

- A beneficial owner solely claiming foreign status or treaty benefits **W-8BEN**
- A foreign government, international organization, foreign central bank of issue, foreign tax-exempt organization, foreign private foundation, or government of a U.S. possession claiming the applicability of section(s) 115(2), 501(c), 892, 895, or 1443(b) **W-8EXP**

Note: These entities should use Form W-8ECI if they received effectively connected income (e.g., income from commercial activities).

- A foreign partnership or a foreign trust (unless claiming an exemption from U.S. withholding on income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States) **W-8BEN or W-8IMY**
- A person acting as an intermediary **W-8IMY**

Note: See instructions for additional exceptions.

Part I Identification of Beneficial Owner (See instructions.)

1 Name of individual or organization that is the beneficial owner	2 Country of incorporation or organization
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3 Type of entity (check the appropriate box):

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Disregarded entity
<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> Simple trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Complex trust
<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Grantor trust	<input type="checkbox"/> Central bank of issue
<input type="checkbox"/> Private foundation	<input type="checkbox"/> International organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Estate
		<input type="checkbox"/> Tax-exempt organization

4 Permanent residence address (street, apt. or suite no., or rural route). **Do not use a P.O. box.**

City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.	Country (do not abbreviate)
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5 Business address in the United States (street, apt. or suite no., or rural route). **Do not use a P.O. box.**

City or town, state, and ZIP code

6 U.S. taxpayer identification number (required—see instructions)	7 Foreign tax identifying number, if any (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> SSN or ITIN <input type="checkbox"/> EIN	

8 Reference number(s) (see instructions)

9 Specify each item of income that is, or is expected to be, received from the payer that is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States (attach statement if necessary)

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Part II Certification

Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information on this form and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct, and complete. I further certify under penalties of perjury that:

- I am the beneficial owner (or I am authorized to sign for the beneficial owner) of all the income to which this form relates,
- The amounts for which this certification is provided are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and are includible in my gross income (or the beneficial owner's gross income) for the taxable year, and
- The beneficial owner is not a U.S. person.

Furthermore, I authorize this form to be provided to any withholding agent that has control, receipt, or custody of the income of which I am the beneficial owner or any withholding agent that can disburse or make payments of the income of which I am the beneficial owner.

..... Signature of beneficial owner (or individual authorized to sign for the beneficial owner) Date (MM-DD-YYYY) Capacity in which acting
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