IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT

FAIRHOLME FUNDS, INC., ACADIA INSURANCE COMPANY, ADMIRAL INDEMNITY COMPANY, ADMIRAL INSURANCE COMPANY, BERKLEY INSURANCE COMPANY, BERKLEY REGIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, CAROLINA CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, CONTINENTAL WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY, MIDWEST EMPLOYERS CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, NAUTILUS INSURANCE COMPANY, PREFERRED EMPLOYERS INSURANCE COMPANY, THE FAIRHOLME FUND, ANDREW T. BARRETT,

Nos. 20-1912 & 20-1914

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

v.

UNITED STATES,

Defendant-Cross-Appellant.

RESPONSE TO MOTION TO HOLD APPEALS IN ABEYANCE

Plaintiffs in Nos. 20-1912 and 20-1914 (the "Fairholme Plaintiffs")

take no position on the Government's motion to hold the appeals in abeyance

pending the Supreme Court's ruling in *Collins v. Mnuchin*. However, the Fairholme Plaintiffs submit that the appeals in their case ought to be heard alongside the other appeals pending before the Court that also concern the nationalization of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Thus, if the Court denies the Government's similar motions in the companion cases, it should also deny the motion in the Fairholme appeals.

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CERTIFICATE OF INTEREST

Case Number 20-1912 & 20-1914

Short Case Caption Fairholme Funds, Inc., et al. v. The United States

Filing Party/Entity Appellants, Fairholme Funds, Inc., et al. (see Attachment A)

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1. Represented Entities. Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(1).	2. Real Party in Interest. Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(2).	3. Parent Corporations and Stockholders. Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(3).		
Provide the full names of all entities represented by undersigned counsel in this case.	Provide the full names of all real parties in interest for the entities. Do not list the real parties if they are the same as the entities.	Provide the full names of all parent corporations for the entities and all publicly held companies that own 10% or more stock in the entities.		
□ None/Not Applicable	□ None/Not Applicable	□ None/Not Applicable		
Fairholme Funds, Inc.	None	None		
The Fairholme Fund	Fairholme Funds, Inc.	None		
Acadia Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Admiral Indemnity Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Admiral Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Berkley Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Berkley Regional Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Carolina Casualty Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Continental Western Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Midwest Employers Casualty Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Nautilus Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Preferred Employers Insurance Company	None	W.R. Berkley Corporation		
Additional pages attached				

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4. Legal Representatives. List all law firms, partners, and associates that (a) appeared for the entities in the originating court or agency or (b) are expected to appear in this court for the entities. Do not include those who have already entered an appearance in this court. Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(4).

None/Not Applicable	$\Box \text{Additional pages attached}$

5. Related Cases. Provide the case titles and numbers of any case known to be pending in this court or any other court or agency that will directly affect or be directly affected by this court's decision in the pending appeal. Do not include the originating case number(s) for this case. Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(5). See also Fed. Cir. R. 47.5(b).

None/Not Applicable ~ Additional pages attached Washington Federal v. United States, No. Cacciapalle v. United States, No. 20-2037 (Fed. Fisher v. United States, No. 20-138 (Fed . Cir.) 13-385 (Fed. Cl.) Cir.) Arrowood Indem Co v United States, No 20-2020 (Fed Reid v. United States, No. 20-139 (Fed. Cir.) Rafter v. United States, No. 14-740 (Fed. Cl.) Cir) Owl Creek Akanthos Opportunity Fund, LP. v. United Appaloosa Inv. Ltd. v. United States, No. Asia Master Fund, Ltd v United States, No 20-1934 (Fed Cir) States, No. 20-1938 (Fed. Cir.) 20-1954 (Fed. Cir.)

6. Organizational Victims and Bankruptcy Cases. Provide any information required under Fed. R. App. P. 26.1(b) (organizational victims in criminal cases) and 26.1(c) (bankruptcy case debtors and trustees). Fed. Cir. R. 47.4(a)(6).

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None/Not Applicable

Additional pages attached

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ATTACHMENT A

List of Parties Represented by Counsel

Fairholme Funds, Inc., The Fairholme Fund, Acadia Insurance Company, Admiral Indemnity Company, Admiral Insurance Company, Berkley Insurance Company, Berkley Regional Insurance Company, Carolina Casualty Insurance Company, Continental Western Insurance Company, Midwest Employers Casualty Insurance Company, Nautilus Insurance Company, Preferred Employers Insurance Company, and Andrew T. Barrett

ATTACHMENT B

1. Represented Entities (continued)	2	3. Parent Corporations and Stockholders.		
Andrew T. Barrett	None	None		

ATTACHMENT C

Related Cases (continued)

CSS, LLC v. United States, No. 20-1955 (Fed. Cir.); Mason Capital Master Fund L.P. v. United States, No. 20-1936 (Fed. Cir.)

FORM 19. Certificate of Compliance with Type-Volume Limitations

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