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FORM 144

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ATTENTION: Transmit for filing 3 copies of this form concurrently with either placing an order with a broker to execute sale or executing a sale directly with a market maker.

1(a) NAME OF ISSUER (Please type or print) (b) IRS IDENT. NO. (c) S.E.C. FILE NO.

The GDL Fund 20-8195443 811-21969

1(d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER (e) TELEPHONE

STREET CITY **STATE ZIP CODE** NO.

AREA NUMBER 921-5000

One Corporate Center Rye **CODE**

NY 914 10580

(b) (c) ADDRESS 2(a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT

RELATIONSHIP **STREET CITY** THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD

TO ISSUER **STATE ZIP CODE**

See Note One Corporate Center Rye

Mario J. Gabelli & Gabelli Fund, LDC NY 10580

INSTRUCTION: The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. Identification Number and

the S.E.C. File Number.

3(a) Title of Name and Address of Each the Broker Through Whom the Class of Securities are to be Offered or Securities. Each Market Maker who is Acquiring the Securities To Be Sold SEC USE ONLY Broker-Deale File Number	(c) Number of Shares or Aggregat Other Market Units Value er To ([See instance of the color of t	(e) Number of e Shares or Other Units er. Outstanding [See instr. 3(e)]	(f) Approximate Date of Sale [See instr. 3(f) (MO DAY YR)	(g) Name of Each Securities Exchange [See instr. 3(g)]
Series C Cumulative Puttable G.research, LLC and One Corporate Center Callable Rye, NY 10580 Preferred Shares Series C Cumulative	\$28,141 539 ¹ as of 5/22/18	2,624,025	05/22/2018	NYSE
Puttable G.research, LLC and One Corporate Center Callable Rye, NY 10580 Preferred Shares	\$13,992 268 ² as of 5/22/18	2,624,025	05/22/2018	NYSE

¹ These shares are being sold by Mario J. Gabelli

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. (a) Name of Issuer
 - (b) Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number
 - (c) Issuer's S.E.C. file number, if any
 - (d) Issuer's address, including zip code
- code
- 2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
- (b) Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing)
 - (c) Such person's address, including zip code

- 3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold
- (b) Name and address of each broker through whom the securities are intended to be sold
- (c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)
- (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as (e) Issuer's telephone number, including area of a specified date within 10 days prior to the filing of this
 - notice (e) Number of shares or other units of the class
 - outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent

report or statement published by the issuer

- (f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be
- (g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

² These shares are being sold by Gabelli Fund, **LDC**

TABLE I -- SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

Title of the Class	Date You Acquired	u Nature of Acquisition Transaction	Name of Person from Whom Acquired (if gift, also give date donor acquired)	Amount of Securities Acquired	Date of Payment Nature of Payment
Common Shares	3/26/18	Rights Offering	Issuer	5391	3/26/2018 Cash
Common Shares	3/26/18	Rights Offering	Issuer	268^{2}	3/26/2018 Cash

¹ These shares were acquired by Mario J. Gabelli

If the securities were purchased and full payment therefore was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the

INSTRUCTIONS: consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments, describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

TABLE II -- SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

Name and Address of Seller	Title of Securities Sold	Date of Sale	Amount of Securities Sold	Gross Proceeds
MJG Associates, Inc. One Corporate Center Rye, NY 10580	Series C Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred Shares	5/2/18	268	\$13,936
GPJ Retirement Partners LLC One Corporate Center Rye, NY 10580	Series C Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred Shares	5/2/18	268	\$13,936

REMARKS:

NOTE – Mario J. Gabelli is deemed to control the Issuer through his control of the investment adviser of the Issuer. MJG Associates is the investment adviser of Gabelli Fund, LDC. Mr. Gabelli is the sole shareholder, director and employee of MJG Associates.

INSTRUCTIONS:

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required

ATTENTION:

The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the person for whose account the securities are to be the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the sold but also as to all other persons included in that securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed. If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to satisfy Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, by by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted sales for the account of the person filing this notice. or the instruction given, that person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date.

May 22, 2018

/s/ Douglas R. Jamieson

² These shares were acquired by Gabelli Fund, LDC

DATE OF NOTICE

(SIGNATURE)

Douglas R. Jamieson, Attorney-In-Fact for Mario J. Gabelli

DATE OF PLAN ADOPTION OR GIVING OF INSTRUCTION

IF RELYING ON RULE 10B5-1

The notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed

or printed signatures.

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)