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Re: Placement of a Foreign Board of Trade's Computer Terminals in the U.S.

Dear Ms. Webb and Mr. Greenberger:

This letter is in response to the Commission's request for comments in its Concept Release on issues related to the placement by foreign boards of trade of computer terminals in the U.S. that would be used for the purpose of facilitating the trading of products available through those boards of trade. Please note that TradeLink L.L.C. ("TradeLink") supports the swift enactment of rules and/or any other interim measures designed to level the uneven playing field that currently exists as a result of the Commission's issuance of special dispensation to selective U.S. firms who are members of Eurex Deutschland ("Eurex"), in order that all U.S. firms can compete globally.

TradeLink, a member of Eurex in good standing, is unfairly competitively disadvantaged in relation to approximately 20 other Eurex member firms that have obtained Eurex terminals in the U.S. To date, we have not been successful in our efforts to acquire the Commission's permission to install and utilize a Eurex terminal in our U.S. offices. Presently, each of our U.S. based Eurex trades necessitates a telephone call overseas for purposes of execution. As a result of this situation, TradeLink is not able to obtain best execution in connection with its Eurex trading.

In conclusion, TradeLink supports the expeditious creation of a level playing field for all U.S. firms. We also favor the implementation of prudent measures designed to permit U.S. firms to use available technologies, including computer terminals, to access directly in the U.S. the products offered by foreign exchanges, enabling the U.S. to compete globally.

Very truly yours,

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