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Hi Dan, another comment for the position limits file. Thanks!

Ali

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Gary Gensler,

As an investor in precious metals I'm interested in an open, fair and transparent market. There are now huge risks in the futures market for precious metals, especially gold and silver, on the COMEX. The CFTC is obligated to set position limits (Short and Long) for these markets as of January 17th, 2011 per the recent Financial Reform legislation. It is my understanding that the CFTC is now planning to set some limits. However, the limits being proposed are far too high to be effective.

It is time for the CFTC to take its obligation to protect the

small investor seriously. The CFTC is required to regulate the Derivatives market associated with the metals. As you know Derivatives are often referred to as "Financial Weapons of Mass Destruction" by financial analysts in the know. They are called this because of the vast destruction that can occur in our economy if they ever run out of control. The CFTC needs to get their arms around this financial monster and protect us from the possible devastation.

It is well known by the financial analysts that what the CFTC has done so far to contain the problem in the metals market is totally inadequate. Here are two of the recent articles:

1. http://www.financeandeconomics.org/Articles%20archive/2011.01.18%20Comex.htm
2. https://marketforceanalysis.com/article/latest_article_011511.html

Those of us who follow these markets are aware of the problems. I have to believe that the CFTC Commissioners are aware of these problems as well - both from reading these two articles and their access to other financial information possibly not even available to other investors.

So my question to the CFTC - Why doesn't the CFTC fix the problem and set reasonable position limits?

Thanks for your attention.

Sincerely,

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