

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
December 7, 2012**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT  
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**NewLink Genetics Corporation**

**File No. 333-171300 - CF#28874**

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NewLink Genetics Corporation submitted an application under Rule 406 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form S-1 filed on December 21, 2010, as amended.

Based on representations by NewLink Genetics Corporation that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit will not be released to the public for the time period specified:

Exhibit 10.70                      through September 24, 2013

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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Special Counsel