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Mary Shapiro, Chairman of the S E C 100 F Street, N E Washington, D.C. 20549

## Dear Ms. Shapiro:

I'm certain that you are totally aware that one of the major causes of the disastrous decline of the stock market is the elimination of the "Uptick Rule "which protected the small investor from the major entities who prey on the market by "selling short" at their opportune time which fostors accelerated erosion of the market as a whole.\
Recognizing this I and many of my business associates feel that you in your position of authority have the responsibility of taking whatever moves that are necessary to bring back the protection that the "Uptick Rule" afforded all of us who participate in the market.

Anything you can do to make this happen will endear you to the hearts of millions of investors.

Sincerely,

James H. Dye