

To whom it may concern,

As an individual investor, I would like to state my full support for the Short Sale Reporting rule. The current state of the US Stock Market is one that quite frankly gives the appearance of basically a rigged casino, run by and for the wealthy and powerful, at the expense of small businesses and retail investors like myself. Far too much of this so called 'free and fair market' happens behind the scenes and in the dark, in ways that leave the average retail investor at a severe disadvantage, and any rule that would force greater transparency would not only benefit investors, but would go a long way towards improving the perception of and confidence in the market in general. I strongly urge you to move forward with the implementation of this rule.

Respectfully,

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