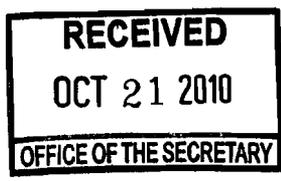


October 14, 2010



Ms. Elizabeth Murphy
Secretary
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20549

Dear Commission members,

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment on the mechanics of the U.S. proxy system. A lot has changed in the 30 years since the SEC last took a top-to-bottom look at proxy mechanics. We applaud you for taking the initiative to ensure that the regulatory foundation is up to date with the market realities of 2010.

Cyanotech Corporation has reviewed the Discussion Draft on Public Company Proxy Voting from the Shareholder Communications Coalition and agrees with its recommendations to improve the system. As shareholder activism increases and major regulatory reforms are enacted, we believe it is important to create a system that promotes a competitive environment and takes advantage of modern communication practices.

Thank you again for addressing these issues.

Sincerely,

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