#### **U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission**

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## Report on Administrative Proceedings For Period October 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008

Rule 900 of the Commission's Rule of Practice (17 CFR 201.900) requires the Commission's Secretary to issue a six-month status report on the Commission's administrative proceedings caseload.

The attached report identifies the number of matters pending before the administrative law judges and the Commission at the beginning of the six-month period; the number of matters instituted, filed, and disposed of during the period; and the number pending at the end of the period. For each category of decision, the report shows the median age of the matters at the time of decision and the number of matters decided within the guidelines in Rule 900 for the timely completion of adjudicatory proceedings or within the time specified in orders instituting proceedings for issuance of an initial decision, or any extension granted by the Commission. Finally, the report includes data from the previous two six-month periods.

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## **Matters Before the Administrative Law Judges**

	10/01/2007- 03/31/2008	04/01/2007- 09/30/2007	10/01/2006- 03/31/2007
Number pending at start of period	56	22	35
New matters added during period	31	63	31
Subtotal	87	85	66
Dispositions:	55		44
Initial Decisions	13	5	8
Other dispositions (e.g., settlements, defaults) <sup>1</sup>	42	24	36
Total pending at end of period	32	56	22
Initial Decisions:			
Median age at decision (days)	151	207	127
Number issued within guideline or specified time period <sup>2</sup>	11	6	8

### **Matters Before the Commission**

	10/01/2007- 03/31/2008	04/01/2007- 09/30/2007	10/01/2006- 03/31/2007
Review of ALJ Matters <sup>3</sup>			
Number pending at start of period	13	11	11
New matters added during period	6	6	8
Subtotal		17	19
Dispositions:			
Opinions	7	2	7
Other dispositions	0		
(e.g., dismissals)		2	1
Total pending at end of period	12	13	11
Opinions:			
Median age at decision (days)	419	210	281
Number decided within guideline <sup>4</sup>	0	2	2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes all proceedings disposed of other than by an initial decision, including default orders that dispose of the entire proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Guideline for matters appealed 7/17/03 or later is seven months, or 11 months if the Commission determines that a matter presents unusual complicating circumstances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> May include review of initial decisions, review of other non-interlocutory ALJ matters, and matters on remand from the Courts of Appeals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Guideline for matters appealed 7/17/03 or later is seven months, or 11 months if the Commission determines that a matter presents unusual complicating circumstances.

## **Matters Before the Commission**

	10/01/2007- 03/31/2008	04/01/2007- 09/30/2007	10/01/2006- 03/31/2007
Review of Self-Regulatory Organization Decisions <sup>5</sup>			
Number pending at start of period	15	15	15
New matters added during period	21	8	9
Subtotal	36	23	24
Dispositions:			
Opinions	6	6	7
Other dispositions	6		
(e.g., dismissals, remands)		2	1
Total pending at end of period	24	15	15
Opinions:			
Median age at decision (days)	325	284	283
Number decided within guidelines <sup>6</sup>	0	1	0

	10/01/2007- 03/31/2008	04/01/2007- 09/30/2007	10/01/2006- 03/31/2007
Miscellaneous Matters			
Interlocutory Motions:			
Number pending at start of period	0	0	0
Number filed during period	1	3	0
Number decided during period	1	3	0
Total pending at end of period	0	0	0
Median age at decision (days)	170	100	n/a
Number decided within 45 days	0	1	n/a
Stay Requests:			
Number pending at start of period	0	0	0
Number filed during period	7	9	3
Number decided during period	7	9	3
Total pending at end of period	0	0	0
Median age at decision (days)	9	7	5
Number decided within guidelines <sup>7</sup>	6	8	3

May include matters filed pursuant to Section 11A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
Guideline for matters appealed 7/17/03 or later is seven months, or 11 months if the Commission determines that a matter presents unusual complicating circumstances.
Guideline is either five days or 45 days from the date for opposing the motion, depending on the effective date of the order

requested to be stayed.