

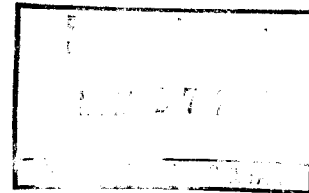
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**Hon. William H. Donaldson, Chairman
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
450 First Street NW
Washington DC 20549
Re: File # S7-10-04**



Dear Chairman Donaldson:

I support the Regulation NMS and the Commissioner's decision to expand the power of investors to determine how their order is executed and which factors should be considered in that execution.

Providing investors with more choice in the markets is, in my opinion, vital. Not only does this rule change bring additional choices to the investor, but it will make more efficient the trading process. That is good for the investor, the brokers, and even the markets.

I would like to urge the passage of the new regulation.

Sincerely,
Frelon Abbott, Jr.
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**CC: Commissioner Paul Atkins
CC: Commissioner Roel C. Campos
CC: Commissioner Cynthia A. Glassman
CC: Commissioner Harvey J. Goldschmid
CC: Congressman Spencer Bachus
CC: Senator Richard Shelby**