

From: [eileenloh](#)
To: [Comments, Public](#)
Subject: Public Comments on Short Sale Reporting
Date: Thursday, July 8, 2021 2:04:24 PM

EXTERNAL: Verify sender before opening attachments or links.

As a retail investor, I am blown away by the blatant market manipulation that is obvious to anyone with even a cursory knowledge of the stock market. Hedge funds, market makers et al are not bothering to conceal their illegal behavior such as share value dilution via synthetic short selling, egregious FTDs, hiding predatory naked shorts in options, etc. because they face no consequences. Being fined a small fraction of their ultimate profits for illegal behavior and nothing more is just a cost of doing (illicit) business. Being allowed to self report is a case of the fox guarding the henhouse. For a corporation to serve as both a hedge fund and market maker is a ridiculous conflict of interest.

Exclusive tools only available to market makers such as high-volume trading, lack of reporting and dark pools clearly put retail investors at a disadvantage and do not allow for equitable trading. There should be an even playing field for retail investors. Every tool and piece of data available to market makers should be available to retailers.

The egregious illegal behavior and lack of transparency has gotten worse and worse over the years and I am extremely thankful it is being brought to light on multiple social media platforms. FINRA please do your job to bring transparency and accountability to market makers.

Sincerely,
Eileen Loh, New Orleans, LA