

July 29, 1999

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**Re: File No. SR-NASD-99-07 - Development of the Discovery Guide -
Extension of Time of Commission Action**

Dear Mr. Strasser:

NASD Regulation hereby consents to a one-month extension of time for the Commission to act on the proposed rule change. This should extend the final action date to August 31, 1999.

As you know, the proposed Discovery Guide is a very important initiative that will improve the discovery process in NASD-sponsored securities arbitrations. Since the Discovery Guide was published on April 23, 1999 in the *Federal Register* and the period for public comment expired on May 14, 1999, NASD Regulation is anxious for the proposed rule change to be acted upon. Accordingly, the staff of NASD Regulation will not be able to grant an extension of time beyond August 31, 1999 for the Commission to act on the proposed rule change.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 728-8982; e-mail:
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Very truly yours,

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