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<u>BY E-MAIL – regcomments@fincen.treas.gov</u> FinCEN Section 352 Investment Adviser Rule Comments P.O. Box 39 Vienna, Virginia 22183

Re: Comment on Financial Crimes Enforcement Network; Anti-Money Laundering Program for Investment Advisers

Gentlemen:

This firm represents a number of broker-dealers and investment advisers. The purpose of this is to comment on an exception that appears to be missing from the proposed rule.

Many federally registered broker-dealers are also federally registered investment advisers. It would seem from the rule that the firms would have to maintain two separate anti-money laundering programs. As you know, all broker-dealers are now required to have anti-money laundering programs. I believe there should be a comment or an express exception stating that federally registered broker-dealers that are also federally registered investment advisers are exempt from the proposed rule or, alternatively, a note in the adopting release that the broker-dealers policies will suffice for purposes of its investment adviser clients as long as the program is applicable to all clients.

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If I can shed any further light on this, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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