From: secretary < secretary @CFTC.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 7, 2010 3:43 PM

To: Metals Hearing <metalshearing@CFTC.gov>

Subject: FW: Limits

From: Mark Birdsall [mailto:mdbirdsall@triskeles.org]

Sent: Wednesday, April 07, 2010 2:47 PM

To: secretary **Subject:** Limits

Dear Sir;

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on the issue of position limits for precious metals; it has long been an interest of mine and I simpPlease establish a speculative position limit in COMEX silver of no more than 1500 contracts. Please restrict any hedging exemptions from those limits to legitimate hedgers. Please stop the levels of concentration in COMEX silver futures that have been experienced over the past few years on the short side of the market. Sincerely,

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