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- Swap Data Repositories Access to SDR Data by Market Participants

Dear Ms. Jurgens.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on your Interim final rule on Swap Data Repositories - Access to SDR Data by Market Participants.

You are adopting an interim final rule to clarify the scope of permissible access by market participants to swap data and information maintained by a registered swap data repository (SDR). The interim final rule clarifies that, for a swap that is executed anonymously on a swap execution facility or designated contract market, and then cleared in accordance with your straight-through processing requirements, the data and information maintained by an SDR that may be accessed by either counterparty to the swap does not include the identity of the other counterparty to the swap, the identity of the other counterparty's clearing member for the swap, or such counterparty's or clearing member's legal entity identifier.

I support this interim final rule that explicitly limits the scope of § 49.17(f)(2)¹ to ensure compliance with the privacy requirements of CEA section 21(c)(6)². This is reasonable and will improve clarity and increase internal regulatory consistency.

¹ See § 49.17(f)(2): "Data and information related to a particular swap that is maintained by the registered swap data repository may be accessed by either counterparty to that particular swap."

² See CEA section 21(c)(6): A swap data repository shall "maintain the privacy of any and all swap transaction information that the swap data repository receives from a swap dealer, counterparty, or any other registered entity".

Please note that the comments expressed herein are solely my personal views

Yours sincerely

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