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7/28/2006

Eileen Donovan, Acting Secretary
Commodity Trading Futures Commission
Three Lafayette Center
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

RE: COT

Dear Ms. Donovan,

Please do NOT discontinue the COT. As an individual trader, I am beginning to rely heavily on the COT report for family investing to assist me in making market decisions in both stocks and soon possibly commodities.

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Sincerely,


4847 BUNDY RD
COLEMA, MI 49038

From: Chuck Chapanian
5316 Navigation Ct.
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

To: Eileen Donovan, Acting Secretary
Commodity Trading Futures Commission
Three Lafayette Center
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

Subj: COT Report

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Regards,



Chuck Chapanian

secretary

From: MICHAEL HARADER [harader1@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:12 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

I am very concerned about the possible elimination of the COT reports for gold and silver. These reports that you put together are extremely helpful in determining what is happening in the market place. By removing these excellent reports, you would effectively put a curtain in front of what is actually happening in the market place. I find it similar to what the Federal Reserve has done by no longer publishing the M3 money supply report. They have taken away one of the best tools for monitoring what is actually happening in the market place.

If you beleive in free markets and information availability for the public good then please help by continuing to publish your excellent COT reports and even improving them if possible.

Sincerely,

Michael Harader, CPA
Scottsdale, AZ

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Dominiek Verbist [dominiek.verbist@pandora.be]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

please keep these reports available

Yours sincerely,

D. Verbist

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Mark Brundage [markbrundage@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:49 PM
To: secretary
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Mark Brundage

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From: Rod Fitzsimmons Frey [rfrey@psychometrics.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:51 PM
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secretary

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Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 3:56 PM
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Richard Lefebvre

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secretary

From: pturgl@tiscali.it
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 2:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report.-

Importance: High

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Fabia Redaelli - Italy

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secretary

From: Island Joe [isl@rockisland.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 2:34 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot

thank you for leaving the friday cot report in its very useful form. No changes please.

secretary

From: Marion Radecki [mjradecki@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 12:58 PM
To: secretary
Cc: marion radecki
Subject: ("COT") reports

Dear Eileen Donovan:

Please continue The Commitment of Trader Reports. The weekly "COT" report. Is it possible to give the report more often? Like Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Respectively Yours,
Marion J Radecki

8/2/2006

secretary

From: David [montanatrout@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 1:43 PM
To: secretary
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David Lawrence

secretary

From: Cook, T R [TCOOK@amfam.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 2:34 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

I am sending this email to request that the COT reports continue. I have come to appreciate their usefulness in determining open interest levels. While I am now an attorney practicing in St. Louis, I was formerly a CFTC licensed option floor trader at the Chicago Board of Trade around 1988-1990.

T. Robert Cook
Regional Legal Senior Staff Attorney
1807 Park 270, Suite 200
St. Louis, MO 63146
(314) 542-0015
Fax (314) 432-0361

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secretary

From: robi99 [robi.root@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:16 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Roberto Brusco

secretary

From: Catia [catia.bellato@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:19 AM
To: secretary
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Catia Bellato

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Julian & Ferriel [nokwad@dsl.pipex.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:37 AM

To: secretary

Subject: COT Reports

Dear Eileen Donovan

Yes, please continue with the weekly COT Reports. They are very useful to me and a number of my colleagues in the investment industry.

Sincerely

Julian Nokes
London W8 7AS
UK

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Shuhab Jafri [shuhabjafri@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:55 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

To: secretary@cftc.gov
From: S.Z.Jafri
Subj: COT Report

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Best Regards
S.Z.Jafri

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secretary

From: JBlackbird@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 12:04 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

I've just found out that you people are thinking about taking away the COT report. I'm getting so depressed these days because everywhere I turn my govt. is supressing information that I should know. Of course everyone knows that the big commodities traders have the information. What has happened to the govt. agecnceys that are supposed to help the majority of people. Is this country being transformed into a two-class society? Please do not discontinue the COT Report.....

Sincerely Yours,

Jim Blackbird
Blackbird Investments

8/2/2006

secretary

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MARK WIDUCH

secretary

From: Kevin Helrich [khelrich@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 1:05 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

I would like to see the very valuable COT reports continue. Please keep up the good work.

Sincerely, Kevin Helrich



Sai

Baba

secretary

From: Lorne [lorne.hooper@sympatico.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 9:53 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I use the COT reports extensively in my futures trading. I find them to be a very usefull. Please continue to provide them.
Thank you,
Lorne Hooper

8/2/2006

secretary

From: RPost10830@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 7:54 AM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT Reports"

Please continue to issue the weekly COT Reports as you have in the past. The publicly available information is useful to those who have investment money at risk, even those with IRA accounts.

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Ransford@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 8:07 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Dear Sir:

I simply want to urge the retention of the COT reports. I find them useful and important for transparency in the markets. In fact, I would prefer more information rather than less.

Sincerely,
Ransford C. Pyle
Gainesville, Florida

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Tcstlo@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 10:32 AM
To: secretary
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I do not know the issues as to why changes to or elimination of the report is being considered, but the data is important in keeping the markets transparent and allows thousands of traders additional valuable information on which to base their trading decisions.

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I urge you to continue publishing the reports. Please do not discontinue providing this valuable resource.

Thank you.

Tim Costello

secretary

From: mgonzalez49 [mgonzalez49@cox.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 8:35 AM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT reports" Keep Reporting Please

Dear Secretary,

I would like to take this time to respond to the open comment period in regard to the Commitments of Traders reports (COT). As an investor I find the report very helpful in maintaining clarity and openness in our free market economy.

Please keep the Commitments of Traders reports (COT) as it is currently reported.

Thank you very much for accepting responses on this important issue.

Michael Gonzalez

16714 Stoneridge Drive
Greenwell Springs, La. 70739

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Bvdalaw3@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 8:42 AM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT reports"

Please do not cancel the weekly COT reports. I have been using them for over 30 years, since the great Russian grain "heist" of the early 70's. They are a very informative tool for all traders, large and small. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

Respectively,

Bradley C. Lawton

bvdalaw3
@aol.com

secretary

From: Brown Bobby E [Bobby.Brown@irs.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 10:32 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Please continue the COT reports as we in the public rely on the information to determine the state of the markets.
Thank you for your consideration and hard work.
Bobby E. Brown
624 Prince Charles Way
Franklin, TN 37064

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Alex M [alexmm@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 8:56 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

To: Eileen Donovan, Acting Secretary
Commodity Trading Futures Commission
Washington, DC

From: Alex Miller
Occupation: Individual Self-Directed Futures Trader

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Alex Miller
Aptos, California
2006-08-02

8/2/2006

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Thanks very much,

Sincerely,

John J. Hardy

Market Strategist, Saxo Bank

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From: Paul Balzano [balzanopj@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 7:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

To: secretary@cftc.gov

From: Paul J. Balzano

Sub: COT Report

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secretary

From: Don Barker [donbarker@prodigy.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 7:48 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Madame Secretary:

I'm sure you have an extraordinary amount of email traffic regarding this subject so I will be brief.

Please do not eliminate the COT report, it is a very useful tool that I use to assist in my trading decisions.

Sincerely,

Roy D. Barker III

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Kenneth Ledlow [ledlow@raspet.msstate.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 12:18 AM
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Subject: COT reports

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for allow the public to comment on the COT reports. I for one would like for the report to continue as they are now.

Regards,

Kenneth Ledlow

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Carl Otto [carl_otto@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 12:13 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I hear ugly rumors that consideration is being given to do away with the COT reports.

Please, PLEASE, **Please, PLEASE** continue publishing these valuable and useful reports!!!

Carl Otto
Investor

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Charles Rogers [crogers11511@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 8:26 AM
To: secretary
Subject: CTFC reports

Please keep the CTFC reports as I have found them to be very useful.

Thanks,

Charles Rogers, CPA

secretary

From: □□□□ [meitatsu@nifty.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 7:26 AM
To: secretary
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secretary

From: Ed Richardson [emrpin@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 1:04 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Attn Secretary:

The COT reports have been very helpful to me for the past few years.
I urge you to continue the reports.
One suggestion I have is to breakout those entities from the "true"
hedger category that are not really hedgers such as certain institutional
and momentum hedge funds.
COT is a valuable service.
Regards,
Edward M. Richardson
Playa & Co.
Carlsbad, CA

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Philippe CHAVEE [chavee@cegetel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:36 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Dear sir,

I think that the COT reports are a important matter of information. The information **MUST** remain public in order to continue to have a **FREE** market.

Thanks You
and best regards.

Philippe Chavée
Av. del Mediterraneo 37
18690 Alnunecar
SPAIN.

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Ken Crysler [kcrysler1@netzero.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 12:39 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Dear Person,

The report is very useful to me as it is, thank you. Is it possible to release the report earlier than Friday?

Best Regards,
Kenneth Crysler

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Robert Opekar [ropekar@sympatico.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:02 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

COT Reports are a valuable financial resource. Please do everything possible to continue to provide this information. Robert Opekar

secretary

From: Ashlei Christian [ALC4253@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:18 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

I am requesting that your agency continue to provide the weekly COT reports. These reports are very helpful and provide useful information.

Thank You,
Janet Christian

8/2/2006

secretary

From: TECHNICAL DYNAMICS [steve@technical-dynamics.co.uk]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:11 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT REPORT

As an individual trader, I rely heavily on the COT report to assist me in making market decisions. In fact my entire trading strategy is based on the content of this report as I am sure, it is for many other individual traders.

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Regards

Steve McTaggart
TECHNICAL DYNAMICS LTD

8/2/2006

secretary

From: Hanning, James [jghannin@bechtel.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:40 AM
To: secretary
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secretary

From: Karnaukhov Leonid [lkarnaukhov@mail.ru]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2003 2:24 AM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Leonid Karnaukhov

St.Petersburg, Russia

Tel. +79219334463

secretary

From: Bradford N. Nichols [bradnichols@mail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2006 9:53 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Bradford N. Nichols

secretary

From: Robert Cierlitsky [cjier560@ptd.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 7:22 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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8/3/2006

secretary

From: Loyd Massey [loyd@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:14 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Loyd Massey

secretary

From: Michael Slivka [michael_slivka@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:32 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Michael Slivka

secretary

From: Michael L. Miller [millermm@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:27 PM
To: secretary
Subject: The COT REPORT!!!

To: secretary@cftc.gov
From: Michael L Miller
Subj: COT Report

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Thank You!

Michael L. Miller

secretary

From: Ryan Neville [rfneville@cox.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Ryan Neville

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secretary

From: Enrico Tomat [enricotomat@virgilio.it]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:42 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report
Importance: High

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Enrico Tomat

Italy

secretary

From: Loyd Massey [loyd@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:15 PM
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Kevin Massey

secretary

From: Sherman Garner [sgforjc@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 11:33 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT

Dear CTFC:

This message concerns the possibility of CFTC doing away with the Commitments of Traders reports (COT). My concern arises due to a press release issued issued by CFTC a short while back asking for feedback from the trading community as to whether the commission should discontinue the report altogether or revise it.

I use the COT report each week to make trading decisions. I prefer a revision of the report to provide more timely information and transparency. This change would be a major contribution to free market mechanisms. I applaud CFTC for considering a major revision of the report. Daily, even hourly, data is now available and the current report issued once per week is an antiquated approach.

Eliminating the report altogether would cause immeasurable damage to free market ideals.

Thank you for providing me with this opportunity to express my opinion.

Sherman Garner
2701 Surrey Ave
Modesto, CA 95355
209-577-0450

secretary

From: cafenno1@juno.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 9:30 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:47 PM
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secretary

From: renatomat@virgilio.it
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:44 PM
To: secretary
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Renato

secretary

From: Andrew [drew_747@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 6:39 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pending your request for comments on the Commitment of Traders report (by August 21, 2006) I would like to request that this report 'not' be eliminated nor altered in any manner. In fact, the citizens of this country require more access to information - not less.

COT reports currently come out on Friday and are reflective of positions as of Tuesday. In this electronic age, why could we not receive this data in a more timely manner (e.g. they probably should come out once a day, or at least with a one-day time lag.).

Regards,

Andrew

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secretary

From: John Corbit [jcorbit@cox.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:25 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I strongly oppose the possibility of doing away with the COT reports.

Respectfully,

Dr. John D. Corbit, III
286 Osprey Rd.
Wakefield, RI 02879-6550

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secretary

From: jbauer@firstenergycorp.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 02, 2006 5:01 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Dear Sir:

I would like to see the commission continue reporting weekly COT data to aid in transparency of the market. I often will not take on a trade without knowing this gauge of market sentiment.

Thanks, Jeff

Jeff Bauer
Bernville, PA

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