



U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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April 10, 2008

Sean Cota
President
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Dear Mr. Cota:

On February 13th, I announced the creation of the Commission's Energy Markets Advisory Committee (EMAC). I believe your industry experience and insights on energy market issues would greatly benefit the Commission and I would like to formally invite you to be a member of the EMAC as a representative of the New England Fuel Institute.

The EMAC will serve an important role in the Commission's constant effort to meet the regulatory needs of the ever-evolving U.S. energy markets. I am committed to composing a diverse membership of highly knowledgeable energy industry representatives, including market users, consumer organizations, energy producers, end users, industry trade associations, and exchanges. Representative members serve on advisory committees for the primary purpose of conveying to the Commission and to other members of the committee the views and interests of the organization, group, or interest the member represents. The representative function includes working together with the Commission and representatives of other interests to arrive at policy recommendations of mutual benefit. Representative members of advisory committees may also provide the Commission with the benefit of their personal expertise, so long as doing so does not conflict with or supersede their primary role as representatives of particular organizations, groups, or interests.

Our panel will endeavor to meet at least twice a year, for half a day, in Washington, D.C. The first meeting will cover organizational matters and other issues to be determined based upon the suggestions of members. I have attached an acceptance form that indicates possible dates for our first meeting and provides space for you to suggest agenda items. I welcome your input and ask that you please return the form to my office by April 18th. If you have questions, please contact Allison Lurton of my staff at (202) 418-5349.

I appreciate your consideration of this invitation and I look forward to working with you as the Commission seeks to obtain valuable input on energy market issues that affect American consumers and the integrity and competitiveness of U.S. markets.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walt Lukken". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "W" and "L".

Walter Lukken

Enclosure



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**Invitation for Sean Cota to Join the
Commodity Futures Trading Commission's
Energy Markets Advisory Committee (EMAC)**

_____ I accept Acting Chairman Lukken's invitation for membership on the
EMAC.

_____ No thank you, I would rather not participate on the Committee.

*Please indicate below your availability to meet in Washington, D.C.
for the first EMAC meeting.*

<u>Possible Meeting Dates</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Wednesday, May 21, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wednesday, June 4, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thursday, June 5, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tuesday, June 10, 2008	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Suggested agenda items for future EMAC meetings: _____

*Please fax or email this response to the attention of Allison Lurton at 202.418.5550 or
alurton@cftc.gov no later than April 18. Thank you.*