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S. M. Oliva, President  
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Re: *In the Matter of Negotiated Data Solutions LLC*  
*File No. 051-0094*

Dear Mr. Oliva:

Thank you for your comments on behalf of the Voluntary Trade Council, Inc. ("VTC") regarding the proposed consent order accepted for public comment in the above-captioned matter. The Commission has reviewed your comments and has placed them on the public record of the proceeding.

The Commission is appreciative of the apparent view of VTC that "patent hold-up" is a real problem that should be addressed. Other views expressed in the VTC's comments, however, are contrary to those of the Commission, as set forth in the Analysis to Aid Public Comment and other public documents in connection with this case.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. After considering all the comments, including the comments of VTC, the Commission has determined that the public interest would be served best by issuing the Decision and Order in final form without modification.

By direction of the Commission, Chairman Kovacic dissenting.

Donald S. Clark  
Secretary