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5 Critical Agenda Items

1. Consumer Protection
2. Oversight of Risk
3. Collaboration with Other Regulatory Agencies
4. Review of Hedge Exemption Policies and Increasing Market Transparency
5. Adequate CFTC Funding



Consumer Protection

1. Primary agency mission
2. Small individual investors as important as pension funds and large institutional investors
3. FY2008 – 40 cases filed, first 5 months of FY 2009 – 24 cases
4. Treatment of retail forex contracts
5. Rolling spot loophole in all commodities



Oversight of Risk

1. Internal lessons learned review of 2008 events
2. Risk advisory committee to:
 - a) Examine internal risk, systemic risk and product risk
 - b) Assess and quantify impact of risks to industry
 - c) Understand how regulators can tailor oversight based on risk assessments
3. Committee members to be drawn from broad-cross section of industry and user groups



Collaboration with other Regulatory Agencies

1. Expansion of MOUs to include operational policies
2. DOJ collaboration
3. SEC meeting
4. International cooperation
5. Restructure of regulatory system
6. President's Working Group



Hedge Exemptions and Market Transparency

1. Hedge exemption concept release
2. “This Month in Futures Markets” report
3. Cause of 2008 market volatility
4. Pragmatic steps to increase transparency
5. Review of speculative position limits
6. Legislative action



Adequate CFTC Funding

- Oversee \$5 trillion notional value of trading every day
- In 1992 CFTC had 592 FTEs, today the agency has 490 FTEs
- Omnibus appropriations bill – 31% increase in funds over FY2008
- Funding for additional Congressional mandates

