

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
September 2, 2008**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Cabot Microelectronics Corp.
File No. 0-30205 CF# 22455**

Cabot Microelectronics Corp. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibit to a Form 10-Q filed on August 8, 2008.

Based on representations by Cabot Microelectronics Corp., that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.50 through December 31, 2012

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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