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DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

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<u>Via E-mail</u> Stephen M. Merkel, Esq. General Counsel BGC Partners, Inc. 499 Park Avenue New York, New York 10022

> Re: GFI Group Inc. DFAN14 filed by BGC Partners, Inc. and BGC Partners, L.P. Filed January 21, 2015 File No. 001-34897

Dear Mr. Merkel:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comment.

General

1. We note the statement that "ISS recognizes the economic inferiority and conflicted nature of the proposed CME-GFI management \$5.85 stock and cash transaction...." Please provide support for the assertion that ISS recognizes the "conflicted nature" of the CME-GFI proposal.

You may contact Eric Envall at (202) 551-3234 or me at (202) 551-3503 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ David L. Orlic

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