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Via E-mail
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Re: GFI Group Inc.

DFAN14 filed by BGC Partners, Inc. and BGC Partners, L.P.

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Dear Mr. Merkel:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comment.

General

1. We note the recent statement that "...their deal is going down, and we are going to win it...it seems obvious..." which Mr. Howard Lutnick made in an interview he gave to CNBC on January 23, 2015. Please avoid making any similar claims in the future. Refer to Note (d) of Rule 14a-9.

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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