## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION CIVIL CASE NO. 1:15-cv-00081-MR-DLH

U.S. COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

**ORDER** 

VS.

OTC INVESTMENTS LLC, FOREX CURRENCY TRADE ADVISORS, LLC AND BARRY C. TAYLOR,

Defendants.

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion to Extend the Current Stay of Discovery for an Additional Ninety Days [Doc. 44].

The Plaintiff U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") and Defendant Barry C. Taylor ("Taylor"), proceeding *pro se*, jointly request an additional extension of the limited stay of discovery proceedings in this case, in light of the guilty plea recently entered by Defendant Taylor in a parallel criminal case now pending before this Court [Criminal Case No. 1:16-cr-00002-MR-DLH-1]. The Commission suggests,

and Defendant Taylor agrees, that the most efficient way to proceed at this

juncture would be for the Court to grant an additional limited stay of discovery

to allow the parties to focus their efforts on exploring whether a negotiated

resolution of the underlying case can be reached on terms agreed to by

Defendant Taylor, and on terms that the Division of Enforcement would

favorably recommend to the Commission for approval.

For the reasons stated in the parties' motion, and for good cause

shown, the Court will allow an additional extension of the limited stay of

discovery.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the parties' Joint Motion to

Extend the Current Stay of Discovery for Ninety Days [Doc. 44] is

GRANTED, and discovery in this matter shall be stayed for an additional

period of 90 days from the entry of this Order. The Commission shall be

allowed to issue third party subpoenas to financial institutions during this 90-

day period.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court shall enter a Pretrial Order

and Case Management Plan upon the expiration of the limited stay of

discovery.

Signed: February 4, 2016

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Martin Reidinger

United States District Judge