



Direction

To: New Street Research LLP ("The firm")

Ref: **230804**

Of: 36 Queen Street
London
E4R 1BN

Date: **25 March 2004**

Handbook Version as in force at the date of this Direction

Power

1. This direction is given by the *FSA* under section 148 of the *Act*.

Duration

2. (1) This direction takes effect on 25 March 2004

Rule Modified

3. The *FSA* directs that the *rule* listed below applies to the firm with the modification shown.

Rule	Modification
TC 2.4.5 R	A <i>firm</i> must not assess an <i>employee</i> as competent to engage in or oversee an activity unless the <i>employee</i>: (1) has been assessed as competent to apply the knowledge and skills necessary to engage in or oversee the activity without supervision; and (2) has passed each module of the appropriate approved examination specified in the annexes to TC2

Conditions

4. This direction is subject to the conditions that:
 - (1) It relates only to Mr Simon Roberts for so long as he is employed by the firm and;
 - (2) Mr Robert's clients are limited only to *intermediate customers* and *market counterparties* in providing *investment* advice.



Interpretation

5. Interpretative provisions (including definitions) of the *Handbook* apply to this direction in the same way as they apply to the *Handbook*.

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