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Level 2 Regulation

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Topic

Direct Electronic Access and algorithmic trading

Subject Matter

Algorithmic trading

Question

If an investment firm (firm A) merely transmits a client's order for execution to another investment firm (firm B) who uses algorithmic trading, is investment firm A engaged in algorithmic trading?

ESMA Answer

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No. The transmission of an order for execution to another investment firm without performing any algorithmic trading activity is not algorithmic trading.