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An antitrust regulator has been rebuked for not recording some evidence in the European Union's investigation of **Intel Corp.**, according to a report Friday.

The Wall Street Journal reported that an EU ombudsman said an account of an August 2006 meeting between an executive from **Dell Inc.** and commission investigators was not properly recorded in the case file.

According to the Journal, the executive is believed to have said Dell thought the performance of Intel rival, Sunnyvale, Calif.-based Advanced Micro Devices Inc., (NYSE:AMD) was poor.

The EU said earlier it found evidence of anticompetitive conduct by Santa Clara-based Intel

(NASDAQ:INTC).

In 2000 AMD first complained to the European Union that Intel was using illegal means to keep it out of the chip market.

Intel was accused of offering European retailers rebates if they agreed not to buy AMD processors, as well as paying at least one manufacturer to delay rolling out a product it planned that would use AMD CPUs.

One of Intel's largest chip manufacturing plants is located in Rio Rancho, New Mexico, immediately northwest of Albuquerque.

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