

# The Depository Trust Company

# IMPORTANT

**B#:** 3577-08

**DATE:** June 5, 2008

**TO:** All Participants

**CATEGORY:** Settlement / Underwriting

**FROM:** Product Management

**ATTENTION:** Settlement Manager/Managing Director/Cashier

**SUBJECT:** Options Symbology Initiative (OSI) & OCC Sub-Accounting Initiative – OCC Pledges & Release Requests – User Acceptance Testing (UAT) Period

In Important Notice# 2816-07 dated December 24, 2007, Important Notice# 3052-08 dated February 29, 2008 and Important Notice# 3290-08 dated March 28, 2008, the Depository Trust Company (DTC) outlined modifications to its Collateral Loan System for Options Clearing Corporation (OCC) pledges & release requests resulting from the industry-wide Options Symbology Initiative (OSI) and OCC Sub-Accounting Initiative.

In order to prepare for both the migration period and implementation date, DTC will make available its User Acceptance Testing (UAT) region to participants beginning on **Monday, June 23, 2008**. At this time, participants can conduct round trip testing to and from the OCC using the new input and output file formats as well as the new OCC Collateral Loan Services input screens on DTC's Participant Terminal System (PTS). These transactions include OCC pledges, release requests, OCC Member authorization of third party release requests and pledge returns. Prior to testing, participants must contact the Participant Interface Planning (PIP) Group to ensure their account(s) is setup in the test region and also establish test positions. The PIP Group can be reached at (888) 382-2721, using Option# 1, than Option# 3. A listing of the securities and CUSIPs that can be used during the test period is outlined on the last page of this important notice (**See Schedule A**). Furthermore, to facilitate the process, the OCC will be coordinating a testing schedule for their clearing members and bank participants. For additional

questions about this, please contact Sharon Basso at (312) 322-7620. DTC's UAT region will remain open and available to participants through **October 9, 2008**.

Listed below is a summary of the user guide documents that contain the new OCC pledge and release request input and output file formats. These can be accessed directly on DTC's website at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) or by clicking on the following URL address: <http://www.dtcc.com/products/documentation/cs/cs.php#formats>.

Document 5.19	Section 4.5 & 4.6	Used by participants to program MQ & NDM/FTP input of OCC pledges and release requests (also known as an Options release of deposit request)
Document 20.03	Exhibit 5B	Used by participants to describe the receipt of Machine Readable Output (MRO) associated with OCC pledge and pledge return transactions
Document 5.11	Pages 18-20 (Format of DTFPART Data Records: Pledges & Releases to and from OCC).	Used by participants to describe the receipt of NDM/FTP output associated with OCC pledge and pledge return transactions. <b>Participants must program to receive up to Byte 837</b>

For participants who currently use the Legacy CF2 file formats (**CF2PLR** for OCC pledges & release requests), please be advised that DTC **will not** be making modifications to these input file formats. These participants are advised to program for MQ input PLG1 or NDM/FTP input PLG5 (**Record Type COLC02**) located in user guide **Document 5.19**. Effective **October 10, 2008**, input records using **CF2PLR** for OCC pledge and release request transactions will not be accepted.

Additionally, subject to approval from the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), a migration period will begin on **August 8, 2008** in preparation for the required implementation date scheduled on **October 10, 2008**. During the migration period, participants can submit OCC pledge and release request transactions in either the new formats or the current (old) formats. However, participants who want to receive output in the new MRO format must contact the PIP Group to be setup on DTC's distribution tables. Participants who do not contact the PIP Group will continue to receive output in the current (old) file format until the required implementation date of **October 10, 2008**. This is a change to what was originally communicated indicating that participants would receive output based upon input choice. During the migration period, participants will have the ability to submit OCC pledge and release request transactions using the new OCC Collateral Loan Services input screens on DTC's Participant Terminal System (PTS). Alternatively, participants can use the new equivalent input applications on DTC's Participant Browser Service (PBS). DTC will update its PTS/PBS Function Guides with these changes and make them available to participants on its website. These new PTS screens and PBS applications will become mandatory on **October 10, 2008**.

If you have any further questions about the testing or migration period, please contact your Relationship Manager or the undersigned at (212) 855-4223 or [llepore@dtcc.com](mailto:llepore@dtcc.com). If you need any additional information on the Options Symbology Initiative (OSI), please refer to the Options Clearing Corporation's website at [www.optionsclearing.com/initiatives/symbology](http://www.optionsclearing.com/initiatives/symbology) or contact Sharon Basso at (312) 322-7620 or [sbasso@theocc.com](mailto:sbasso@theocc.com).

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#### **SCHEDULE A**

<b>CUSIP</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>OCC Collateral Type</b>
458140100	Intel Corp	Valued Security
060505104	Bank of America Corp	Valued Security
172967101	Citigroup Inc	Valued Security
037833100	Apple Inc	Specific Deposit
30231G102	Exxon Mobil	Specific Deposit
369604103	General Electric	Specific Deposit
912795G96	Treasury Bill 10/09/2008	Government Security
912810DX3	Treasury Bond 11/15/2016	Government Security
912828EA4	Treasury Note 07/15/2015	Government Security
3134A4UQ5	Freddie Mac Note 04/15/2009	GSE Debt Security
3134A4HF4	Freddie Home Note 09/15/2011	GSE Debt Security
3134A4JT2	Freddie Home Note 01/15/2012	GSE Debt Security
60934N104	Federated	Money Market Fund
60934N203	Federated	Money Market Fund
60934N625	Federated	Money Market Fund