KEY ELEMENTS OF THE INSURANCE LETTER FOR THE FAST BALANCE AGREEMENT

* 1. Must be on the letterhead of the insurance broker or agent or the company(ies).

* 2. Must be manually signed.

3. State the limits and deductibles of the insurance policy.

**4. Name the transfer agent as the insured.

5. Specify that the coverage is in force at the address where the transfer agent will be processing securities.

6. Give the in-force dates of the policy.

7. State the types of activities covered. Coverage should include transportation of securities (mail, armored carrier, etc.) and securities handling.

8. The policy should be in the form of Bankers Blanket Bond Standard Form 24, or similar coverage containing Central Handling of Securities Rider.

9. The insurance must cover any securities received from DTC and/or held by the transfer agent on their premise (list the address) on behalf of DTC under the FAST Balance Agreement.

In case of a FAST Processor Agreement (ie. private label), the agent's insurance must cover securities handled on the processor's premise. The processor's name and address must be specified on the letter.

10. Where layers of insurance are in force, the letter should cover each of the insurance policies.

* Lloyds' London Coverage: a letter from Lloyd's attorney in the U.S. is acceptable.

** Additional documentation is required if the transfers will be handled by a processor; the processor must be named as an insured under the transfer agent's policy.