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Form 19b-4 Information *AddRemoveView	The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.			
Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change * Add Remove View	The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO] -xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)			
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Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications         Add       Remove       View         Exhibit Sent As Paper Document	Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G.			
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Exhibit 4 - Marked CopiesAddRemoveView	The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.			
Add     Remove     View	The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change.			
Partial Amendment       Add     Remove       View	If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.			

# **1.** Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) The proposed rule change is filed by National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") and consists of modifications to Addendum A (Fee Structure) of NSCC's Rules & Procedures ("Rules").

- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

# 2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

(a) Certain of the proposed changes to NSCC's fees have been approved by NSCC management pursuant to delegated authority from NSCC's Board of Directors, and certain of the proposed changes to NSCC's fees have been approved by the Finance / Capital Committee of the Board of Directors of NSCC at its meeting duly called and held on August 13, 2013.

# **3.** Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

(a) The purpose of the proposed rule change is to revise NSCC's fee schedule (as listed in Addendum A of the Rules) in connection with the recent approval of additional alternative investment products eligible for processing through the Alternative Investment Product Services ("AIP") of NSCC, as well as to eliminate the fee cap currently applicable to AIP Distributors<sup>1</sup> processing Registered Hedge Fund transactions through AIP. In general, AIP fees are grouped by volume — higher volume alternative investment products are charged reduced fees, while lower volume alternative investment products are charged higher fees. The newly approved additional alternative investment products eligible for AIP processing are being added to the higher volume category. Under the current AIP fee structure, AIP Distributors are eligible for a fee cap of \$50,000 annually ("Fee Cap") on higher volume alternative investment products, such as Non-Traded REITs and Managed Futures. Currently, Registered Hedge Funds are included within the annual Fee Cap. NSCC is amending the existing fee structure to eliminate this Fee Cap as applicable to Registered Hedge Fund transactions and to include the newly added alternative investment products within the Fee Cap.

Additionally, NSCC is proposing to revise its fee schedule with respect to its trade clearance fees in order to align these fees with the costs of delivering services.

# Implementation Timeframe

The proposed fee changes will take effect on January 1, 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> AIP Distributors are generally broker/dealers, or otherwise, the buy-side of an AIP transaction.

# Proposed Rule Changes

NSCC proposes to amend Addendum A as marked on Exhibit 5 hereto. No other changes to the Rules are contemplated by this proposed rule change.

(b) The proposed rule change will align NSCC's fees with the costs of delivering services, and will allocate those fees equitably among the NSCC members that use those services. Therefore, NSCC believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Act") and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to NSCC, in particular Section 17A(b)(3)(D) of the Act,<sup>2</sup> which requires that NSCC's Rules provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its participants.

# 4. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

NSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact, or impose any burden, on competition. As stated above, the proposed changes will align NSCC's fees with the costs of delivering services to its members, and will not disproportionally impact any NSCC members.

### 5. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. NSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by NSCC.

# 6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

NSCC does not consent to an extension of the time period specified in Section 19(b)(2) of the Act for Commission action.

# 7. Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) or Section 19(b)(7)(D)

(a) The proposed rule change is to take effect on January 1, 2014 pursuant to paragraph A of Section 19(b)(3) of the Act.

(b) The proposed rule change establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge applicable only to NSCC participants.

- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Not applicable.

<sup>2</sup> 5 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(D).

# 8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission

The proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

#### 9. Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act

Not applicable.

# 10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

#### 11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1 – Not applicable

 $\underline{\text{Exhibit } 1A}$  – Notice of proposed rule change and advance notice for publication in the Federal Register

Exhibit 2 – Not applicable

Exhibit 3 – Not applicable

Exhibit 4 – Not applicable

Exhibit 5 – Proposed Changes to NSCC's Rules

### **EXHIBIT 1A**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-[\_\_\_\_]; File No. SR-NSCC-2013-14

[DATE]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change to Modify its Fee Schedule

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and

Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on December \_\_\_, 2013, the National

Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange

Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Item I, II and III

below, which Items have been prepared primarily by the clearing agency. The

Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change

from interested persons.

I. <u>Clearing Agency's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule</u> <u>Change</u>

The proposed rule change consist of amendments to the Rules & Procedures

("Rules") of NSCC to modify its fee schedule, as more fully described below.

II. <u>Clearing Agency's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for,</u> <u>the Proposed Rule Change</u>

In its filing with the Commission, NSCC included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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the places specified in Item IV below. NSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

#### (A) <u>Clearing Agency's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for,</u> <u>the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(i) <u>Introduction</u>

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to revise NSCC's fee schedule (as listed in Addendum A of the Rules) in connection with the recent approval of additional alternative investment products eligible for processing through the Alternative Investment Product Services ("AIP") of NSCC, as well as to eliminate the fee cap currently applicable to AIP Distributors<sup>3</sup> processing Registered Hedge Fund transactions through AIP. In general, AIP fees are grouped by volume – higher volume alternative investment products are charged reduced fees, while lower volume alternative investment products are charged higher fees. The newly approved additional alternative investment products eligible for AIP processing are being added to the higher volume category. Under the current AIP fee structure, AIP Distributors are eligible for a fee cap of \$50,000 annually ("Fee Cap") on higher volume alternative investment products, such as Non-Traded REITs and Managed Futures. Currently, Registered Hedge Funds are included within the annual Fee Cap. NSCC is amending the existing fee structure to eliminate this Fee Cap as applicable to Registered Hedge Fund transactions and to include the newly added alternative investment products within the Fee Cap.

Additionally, NSCC is proposing to revise its fee schedule with respect to its trade clearance fees in order to align these fees with the costs of delivering services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> AIP Distributors are generally broker/dealers, or otherwise, the buy-side of an AIP transaction.

#### Implementation Timeframe

The proposed fee changes will take effect on January 1, 2014.

#### Proposed Rule Changes

These proposed rule changes are marked on Exhibit 5 to this proposed rule change. No other changes to the Rules are contemplated by this proposed rule change.

#### (ii) <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The proposed rule change will align NSCC's fees with the costs of delivering services, and will allocate those fees equitably among the NSCC members that use those services. Therefore, NSCC believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to NSCC, in particular Section 17A(b)(3)(D) of the Act, which requires that NSCC's Rules provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its participants.

#### (B) <u>Clearing Agency's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

NSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact, or impose any burden, on competition. As stated above, the proposed changes will align NSCC's fees with the costs of delivering services to its members, and will not disproportionally impact any NSCC members.

#### (C) <u>Clearing Agency's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change</u> <u>Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. NSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by NSCC.

### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change, and Timing for Commission Action

The forgoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act<sup>4</sup> and Rule  $19b-4(f)(2)^5$  thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

### Electronic Comments:

• Use the Commission's Internet comment form

(http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or

 Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NSCC-2013-14 on the subject line.

# Paper Comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.
 All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NSCC-2013-14. This file

number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet website (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NSCC and on NSCC's website

(<u>http://dtcc.com/legal/rule\_filings/nscc/2013.php</u>). All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NSCC-2013-14 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>6</sup>

Elizabeth M. Murphy Secretary

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<sup>17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**EXHIBIT 5** 



NATIONAL SECURITIES CLEARING CORPORATION

# **RULES & PROCEDURES**

# TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

Underlined and boldface text indicates new text

Strikethrough and boldface indicates deleted text

### ADDENDUM A

### NATIONAL SECURITIES CLEARING CORPORATION

### FEE STRUCTURE

I. TRADE COMPARISON AND RECORDING SERVICE FEES - represents the fees to enter and correct original trade data.

- A. Trade Comparison:
  - 1. Each side of each bond trade submitted \$0.85 per side.
- B. Trade Correction Fees:<sup>1</sup>
  - 1. Listed Equity System Correction Fees:

Suggested Name Deletes submitted to the Corporation directly by participants on T+1 - \$.40 to both sides.

- 2. Bond Correction Fees:
  - a. All supplemental input after T (Advisory, As Of, Withhold) except for Trades Deleted:
    - (1) T+1 \$.60 to the submitter
    - (2) T+2 \$.90 to the submitter
    - (3) after T+2 \$1.50 to the submitter
  - b. Trades Deleted:
    - (1) T+1 \$.60 to both sides
    - (2) T+2 \$.90 to both sides
    - (3) after T+2 \$1.50 to both sides
- 3. Trade Rejection Fee: \$.50 per bond reject.
- C. Trade recording fees will be charged as follows on those items originally compared by other parties, but cleared through the Corporation<sup>2</sup>:
  - 1. Each side of each bond item entered for settlement, but not compared by the Corporation \$0.85 per side.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Trade Submission Fees (see I.A. above) will be charged in addition to the Trade Correction Fees detailed in I.B. Trade Correction Fees will not be applied on OCS, IDC and ACT input.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Trade recording fees for equities are incorporated into the Clearance Activity Fee set forth in II.A. below.

2. Each side of a foreign security trade entered for settlement, but not compared by the Corporation - \$.75 per side.

# D. OBLIGATION WAREHOUSE

1.	Warehouse Fee for each compared item	\$0.02
2.	Matching Fee for each submission	\$0.75
За.	Fee for each pending comparison advisory aged 5 days or more (July through September 2011)	\$1.00
3b.	Fee for each pending comparison advisory aged 5 days or more (October through December 2011)	\$2.50
Зс.	Fee for each pending comparison advisory aged 5 days or more (January 2012 and forward)	\$5.00
4.	Fee to close an obligation and send to CNS	\$0.20
5.	Fee to withhold an obligation from being closed and sent to CNS	\$0.05
6.	Fee to apply mandatory corporate action events to compared obligations warehoused in Obligation Warehouse	\$2.50
7.	Fee for OW delivery notification request advisories aged 2 days or older	\$1.00
8.	Fee for OW pending cancel request advisories aged 2 days or older	\$1.00
9.	Fee for each obligation closed due to RECAPS (charged per RECAPS cycle)	\$0.20
Indev	Receipts	

#### E. Index Receipts

- Index Creation and Redemption Units each side of each Index Creation and Redemption instruction submitted for regular way (T+3) settlement -\$30 per side.
- Index Creation and Redemption Units each side of each Index Creation and Redemption instruction submitted for shortened settlement - \$50 per side.

II. TRADE CLEARANCE FEES - represents fees for trade recording, netting, issuance of instructions to receive or deliver, effecting book-entry deliveries, and related activity.

- A. Clearance Activity Fee The sum of: (a)(i) \$-0330-0.021593 per side for zero to 35,000 monthly sides, (ii) \$-00183-0.001197 per side for 35,001 to 42,000,000 monthly sides, and (iii) \$-00096-0.000628 per side for over 42,000,000 monthly sides, plus (b) a "value into the net" fee of \$-219-0.331940430 per million of processed value (i.e. for CNS and Balance Order netting, the sum of the contract amount and any CNS fail value), plus (c) a "value out of the net" fee of \$-1.97 2.36844405 per million of settling value (i.e. the absolute value of the CNS Long and Short Positions).
- B. Deliveries to CNS in the day processing cycle to cover a short valued position \$.40 per delivery.
- C. Fails to Deliver to CNS (Short-In CNS) -
  - 1. \$.25 per item short in CNS for 1 to 30 days at close of business.
  - 2. \$.50 per item short in CNS for 31 to 60 days at close of business.
  - 3. \$.75 per item short in CNS for 61 to 90 days at close of business.
  - 4. \$1.00 per item short in CNS for more than 90 days at close of business.
- D. Flip Trades \$.00060 per side.
- E. Security orders generated<sup>33</sup> \$.40 per item.
- F. CNS Buy-In (long Broker and short Broker) \$5.00 per item.
- G. Clearing Interface Exemption or Inclusion Instruction to the Corporation \$.75 per item.
- H. Reorganizations
  - 1. Mandatory Reorganizations \$2.50 each
  - 2. Voluntary Reorganizations
    - a. Long Broker (per input)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A security order, or non-CNS settling item, is an instruction to deliver or receive securities outside of the CNS system. These instructions will be generated when cleared securities are not eligible for CNS or when both parties to a transaction wish to settle in this manner. Security orders may be issued on an item-by-item basis or netted through Abalance order@ procedures.

#### Automated Input \$15.00 each

- b. Short Broker (per reorganization) \$35.00 each
- I. Foreign Securities Transactions (Netted)

\$.50 per item in addition to F. above

- J. Dividends
  - 1. CNS Stock Dividend Payment (Long) \$12.00 per item.
  - 2. CNS Cash Dividend & Interest Payment (Long) \$1.40 per item.
  - 3. CNS Stock Dividend Payment (Short) \$12.00 per item.
  - 4. CNS Cash & Interest Payment (Short) \$1.40 per item.
  - 5. Research on invalid CNS dividend or interest claim \$70 per claim

#### III. DELIVERY SERVICE FEES

A. Envelope Settlement Service:

ESS Deliveries or Receives<sup>4</sup> \$10.00 per envelope

- B. New York State Transfer Taxes \$1.00 per Form
- IV. OTHER SERVICE FEES
- A. Reorganizations
- B. Non-CNS Buy-ins
- C. Check and Draft processing
- D. Reconciliation and Proof of Settlement
- E. Processing Daily Settlement activity entered on Settlement Statement

\$10.00 per item

\$10.00 per item

\$165.00 per month

\$100.00 per month

\$1.00 per item (minimum \$25.00; maximum \$250.00 per month)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This fee applies to all ESS deliveries and receives (including intercity).

F.	Automated Customer Account Transfer Service						
	1.	Transfer Initiation Form					
		a.	Standard	\$.15 per submission			
		b.	Non-Standard	\$.15 per submission			
	2.	Recor	ding				
		a.	Asset Delivers	\$.05 per asset which is reported by the delivering firm			
		b.	Asset Receives	\$.05 per asset which is received by the receiving firm			
	3.	Corre	ctions	\$.05 per asset			
		Asset chang	additions, deletions, or Jes				
	4.	Insura	ance Registrations	\$.25 per insurance registration submitted, to the receiver and the deliverer			
	5.	Non-C Order	CNS Receive/Deliver s	\$.10 per order issued			
	6.	Adjus numb	tment of customer account er	\$.12 per adjustment			

7. Account Transfer Rejects\* \$1.00 per full account reject per side where both parties are required by their designated examining authority or other regulatory body to use an automated customer account transfer service Fund/SERV<sup>®</sup> G. 1. Membership Fee: \$50.00 per month for each participating Member, Mutual Fund/Insurance Services Member and Fund Member regardless of activity level 2. **Transaction Fee:** \$0.0700 per side per order or transfer request settling through the Corporation Networking<sup>7</sup> Η. Membership Fee: \$200.00 per month 1. for each participating Member, Mutual Fund/Insurance Services Member and Fund Member regardless of activity level 2. Activity Fee (all types except for \$.001 per record Networking Omnibus Activity Position Files (Omni/SERV)) 3. Networking Omnibus \$2,500 monthly file fee for omnibus file transmissions Activity/Position Files (Omni/SERV) DTCC Payment aXis<sup>7</sup> Ι. 1. Non-Omnibus Membership Fee \$50.00 per month a. i. For the first 500,000 \$.30 per hundred records, \$50 minimum records submitted

each month

For each record in excess of 500,000, but not exceeding1,000,000	\$.20 per hundred records
submitted each month	
	excess of 500,000, but not

iii. For each record in \$.10 per hundred records excess of1,000,000 submitted each month

#### 2. Omnibus

a. Membership Fee	\$500.00 per month
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- b. Transaction Fees:
  - i. For the first 500,000 \$.10 per record records submitted each month
  - For each record in excess of 500,000, but not exceeding1,000,000 submitted each month
  - iii. For each record in \$.06 per record excess of 1,000,000 submitted each month

#### J. Profile

1.	for ea Mem	bership Fee: ach participating Settling ber and Fund Member dless of activity level.	
	a.	Phase I (price and rate) only	\$325.00 per month
	b.	Phases I and II	2,000.00 per month <sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Users of Profile II with 25 or fewer funds in their family will receive a \$1,150 credit per month against the base \$2,000 per month fee. Thus, the net fee for fund families which meet this criterion will be \$850 per month.

- K. Insurance and Retirement Processing Services<sup>6, 7</sup>
  - 1. Transaction Fees
    - a.(i) Positions (both Full and New)
      - From 0 to 500,000 \$8.00 per 1,000 items items/month
      - From 500,001 to 2,000,000 \$4.00 per 1,000 items items/month
      - From 2,000,001 to 4,000,000 \$3.00 per 1,000 items items/month
      - For 4,000,001 or more \$2.00 per 1,000 items items/month
      - (ii) Positions (Focused)
        - From 0 to 500,000 \$3.00 per 1,000 items items/month
      - From 500,001 to 2,000,000 \$1.50 per 1,000 items

BIN and REP Incentive Discount: Effective October 1, 2009, Participants that submit BIN or REP transactions (i.e., In Force Transactions-Registered Representative Change Requests or Confirms (2.f. and 2.g. of this Section T., also referred to as "REP" transactions) and -Brokerage Identification Number Change Requests or Confirms (2.h. and 2.i. of this Section T., also referred to as "BIN" changes) will receive the first \$350 in such transactions, each month, at no cost.

In addition, effective October 1, 2009, Participants that submit BIN or REP transactions will receive a credit of 30% of the BIN and REP transaction costs (net of the monthly \$350 discount) to be applied to fees charged (but not to exceed the amount changed) in respect of Insurance and Retirement Services "Core Products". Core Products are the following: Positions, Commissions, Financial Activity Reporting, Applications/Subsequent Premiums, and Asset Pricing.

<sup>7</sup> Extraordinary Event Pricing: if arranged in advance with NSCC, a Participant may qualify for a credit on transaction fees incurred due to extraordinary events such as mergers or mass reconciliations that generate unusually high transaction volume for a limited duration. With respect to transaction types for which the participant has no history of prior usage, the credit is in the amount of 85% of the transaction fees chargeable in respect of the transaction type, with an additional credit in the amount of 5% if the participant continues use of the transaction type after the event. With respect to transaction types for which the participant has a history of prior usage, the credit is in an amount sufficient to produce an aggregate fee for the transaction type that is no more than 120% of the average amount charged to the participant in respect of such transactions in the prior three months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Unless otherwise noted, all Insurance and Retirement Processing Services transaction fees are per side, and both sides are charged for each item. Volume is calculated on an aggregate basis among qualified carrier members or qualified distributor members, as applicable.

items/month

- From 2,000,001 to 4,000,000 \$1.50 per 1,000 items items/month
- For 4,000,001 or more \$0.50 per 1,000 items items/month
- b. Asset Pricing
  - From 0 to 49,999 \$0.75 per 1,000 items items/month
  - From 50,000 to 249,999 \$0.65 per 1,000 items items/month
  - From 250,000 to 999,999 \$0.55 per 1,000 items items/month
  - More than 999,999
     \$0.45 per 1,000 items
     items/month
- c. Commissions
  - From 0 to 999 items/month \$40.00 per 1,000 items
  - From 1,000 to 9,999 \$35.00 per 1,000 items items/month
  - From 10,000 to 29,999 \$30.00 per 1,000 items items/month
  - More than 29,999 \$25.00 per 1,000 items items/month
- d. Initial Application Information (APP)<sup>88</sup>

For members for whom settlement is available:

- From 0 to 1,999 items/month \$1.50 per item
  From 2 000 to 2 400 \$1.00 per item
- From 2,000 to 3,499 \$1.00 per item items/month

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Each initial application with a new business attachment will be subject to a \$0.25 discount.

Release 2.0

Release 3.0

•	More than	s/month	\$0.50 per	item		
	embers for ailable:	ement is				
•	From 0 to	1,999 items	s/month	\$1.50 per	item	
• More than 1,999 items/month				\$1.00 per	item	
e.	Subsequ	(SUB)	\$0.50 per	item		
f.	f. Financial Activity Report (FAR)			\$0.05 per zero to 100,000 items		
				\$.04 per 100,001 to 150,000 items		
			\$.03 per 150,001 to 200,000 items			
			\$.02 per 2 greater ite	200,001 or ems		
g.	Analytic	Reporting	Service			
		M	onthly Fee			
Versic	on <sup>9</sup>	Tier 1 <sup>10</sup>	Tier 2 <sup>11</sup>	Tier 3 <sup>12</sup>	Opt-Out Members	
Relea	se 1.0	\$1,000	\$750	\$500	\$1,667	

\$2,250

\$6,000

\$1,500

\$4,000

\$5,000

\$13,333

\$3,000

\$8,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Roll out of each subsequent Release Version will be based on client feedback and the timing of functionality enhancements. Roll out of each subsequent Release Version supersedes and replaces <sup>10</sup> Tier 1 = Carriers with \$25 billion or more, but less than \$25 billion, in assets; Dealers with 3,000 or more,

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Tier 3 = Carriers with less than \$4 billion in assets; Dealers with less than 3,000 financial advisors.

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Release 4.0	\$10,5	500	\$7,875	\$5,250	\$17,500	
Release 5.0	\$12,0	000	\$9,000	\$6,000	\$20,000	
Other Servic	e Fees					
TIER	FEE	SE	RVICES			
TIER 1 \$.05 All Attachr side)				hments (per attachment, per		
TIER 2 \$0.15			Licensing and Appointments (L&A) Periodic Reconciliation (per item)			
TIER 3	\$0.35		ensing and ansaction (p		ients (L&A)	
			gistered Re onfirm (per t		ive Change a, per side)	
		Ch	Brokerage Identification Number Change Request (per transaction, per side)			
			0		Number ansaction, per	
			lues Inquiry sponse, per		iry, includes	
TIER 4	\$0.65	tra	nsaction, c	harged to	sfer Output (per Insurance ices Member	

only)

Customer Account Transfer Confirm (per transaction, per side)

Settlement Processing (per transaction, per side)

Request for Replacement Status (a/k/a Pending Case Status) – Receiving Carrier (per Request for Replacement Status)

Request for Replacement Status (a/k/a Pending Case Status) – Deliverer (per Request for Replacement Status)

Registered Representative Change Request (per transaction, per side)

Time Expired Transaction (per transaction, per side)

TIER 5 \$1.25 Fund Transfer (per request, per side)

Withdrawals (per request, per side)

Arrangements (per request, per side)

Request for Replacement - Delivering Carrier (per request)

Request for Replacement - Receiving Carrier (per request)

#### L. Global Clearance Network Service

- 1. Instruction Processing Fees
  - a. Receipt of transaction \$2.25 per item instructions from a Member via CPU/CPU or I.P.C.
  - b. Rejects each instruction \$.75 per item submitted resulting in a rejection

		C.	Processing of Accepted Instructions - forwarding of instruction to agent bank	\$.75 per item
	2.	Repor	ting Fees	
		each c reports	ot of Reports - fee charged day a Member is sent a set of s, per location, based on the d of distribution	
		a.	Machine Readable Output (MRO)	\$10.00 per item
		b.	Print Image Output	\$20.00 per item
		C.	Hardcopy or Mail	\$50.00 per item
M.	Inte Fee		I Link Service-Transaction	Per Agreement with Link Service Participant
N.			ormation Transmission each Member participating in	\$200.00 per month

O. Alternative Investment Products

the service

- <u>1.</u> a. <u>Higher Volume<sup>13</sup> Eligible</u> <u>AIP Product Fees Non-</u> <u>Traded REITs, Registered</u> <u>Hedge Funds<sup>13</sup> and</u> <u>Managed Futures<sup>14</sup></u>
  - i. Records
  - A. The first 2,999,999 records \$0.10 per record per calendar year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Higher volume Eligible AIP Products are identified in subsection 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> For purposes of the Alternative Investment Products fee structure, "Registered Hedge Funds" shall mean hedge funds that are registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> The charges listed below for "Non-Traded REITs, Registered Hedge Funds and Managed Futures" apply to all entities processing such products through AIP; however, the maximum charge for broker/dealers in this regard is a cumulative maximum (for submission of records and trades) of \$50,000 per calendar year.

<u>2.</u>

B.	The next 1,000,000 records per calendar year <sup>15<u>14</u></sup>	\$0.09 per record
C.	The next 1,000,000 records per calendar year <sup>46<u>15</u></sup>	\$0.08 per record
D.	All additional records <sup>47<u>16</u></sup>	\$0.07 per record
ii.	Trades	
A.	The first 10,000 trades per calendar year	\$5.00 per trade
В.	The next 10,000 trades per calendar year <sup>18-<u>17</u></sup>	\$4.75 per trade
C.	The next 10,000 trades per calendar year <sup><del>19<u>18</u></del></sup>	\$4.50 per trade
D.	All additional trades <sup>2919</sup>	\$4.00 per trade
<del>b.</del>	Lower Volume <sup>20</sup> Eligible <u>AIP Product Fees Other</u> Investment Products (Other than Non-Traded REITs, Registered Hedge Funds and Managed Futures)	
		<b>•</b> · • • •

i. Records \$1.00 per record

- $^{16}$  15 i.e., the 4,000,000<sup>th</sup> to 4,999,999<sup>th</sup> records submitted in a calendar year.
- $\frac{17}{16}$  i.e., the 5,000,000<sup>th</sup> and higher records submitted in a calendar year.
- $\frac{18}{17}$  i.e., the 10,001<sup>st</sup> to 20,000<sup>th</sup> trades submitted in a calendar year.
- $^{\tt 19}$  18 i.e., the 20,001  $^{\rm st}$  to 30,000  $^{\rm th}$  trades submitted in a calendar year.

 $<sup>\</sup>frac{15}{14}$  i.e., the 3,000,000<sup>th</sup> to 3,999,999<sup>th</sup> records submitted in a calendar year.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> <u>19</u> i.e., the 30,001<sup>st</sup> and higher trades submitted in a calendar year.
 <sup>20</sup> Lower volume Eligible AIP Products are identified in subsection 3.

ii. Trades

<u>3.</u>

ELIGIBLE AIP PRODUCT	<u>Higher</u> Volume	<u>Lower</u> Volume	<u>Fee<sup>21</sup></u> <u>Cap</u>
Hedge Fund			
Fund of Funds			
Private Equity Fund			
Managed Debt Fund			
Private Debt Fund			
Managed Currency Fund			
Commodity Pool Fund			
<u>REIT</u>	$\underline{}$		$\underline{}$
Managed Future Fund	$\underline{}$		$\underline{}$
Business Development Corporation (BDC)	$\underline{\checkmark}$		$\underline{\checkmark}$
Registered Hedge Fund <sup>22</sup>			
Oil & Gas Public			
Oil & Gas Private			
Equipment Leasing Public	$\underline{}$		$\underline{}$
Equipment Leasing Private			$\underline{}$
Futures Public			
Futures Private			$\underline{}$
Notes Public	$\underline{}$		$\underline{}$

<sup>21</sup> If column is checked, the applicable fees apply to all entities processing such products through AIP; however, the maximum charge for AIP Distributors in this regard is a cumulative maximum (for submission of records and trades) of \$50,000 per calendar year. <sup>22</sup> For purposes of the Alternative Investment Products fee structure, "Registered Hedge Fund" shall mean hedge

funds that are registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Notes Private		$\underline{}$
Real Estate Public		$\underline{}$
Real Estate Private		$\underline{}$
<u>Closed End Management Investment</u> <u>Company</u>	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\underline{\checkmark}$
All Other		

#### V. PASS-THROUGH AND OTHER FEES

A. Participant Fees - represents the monthly fee for each number assigned to a Member or Municipal Comparison Only Member for participation by each Member or Municipal Comparison Only Member under such number in one or more of the specified services provided by the Corporation. The services and their related base fees are:

1.	Trade Processing System				
	For M	embers	\$300.00 per month, per account		
2.		input, either (a) as a Service u or (b) by an affiliated Service u	\$250.00 per month		
3.	Globa	I Clearance Network Service	\$100.00 per month		
4.	Interna	ational Link Service	Per Agreement with Link Service Participant		
Special Service Fees:					
1.	Commission Billing:				
	a.	Debit	\$.50 per item		
	b.	Credit	\$.50 per item		

- 2. DTC Sponsored Accounts available Cost to each CNS participant who is not also a participant of DTC:
- 3. Output Fees

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	a.	Machine Readable Output	\$10.00 per tape		
	b.	Service Bureau Tapes	\$2.50 per tape		
	C.	Magnetic Tape not returned	\$20.00 per tape		
	d.	Printed Output Reports:			
		For Members with less than 20,000 lines per month	No charge		
		For Members with 20,000 or more lines per month	\$4.00 per each 1000 lines		
4.	Microfiche Reports		\$3.00 per fiche		
5.	Special Research		\$25.00 per hour		
6.	Domestic Portfolio Composition File		\$125.00 per month per file		
7.	Foreign Portfolio Composition File		\$125.00 per month per file		
8.	Subscription-based Portfolio Composition File Reporting		\$5 per unit per month for the first zero to 200 average daily units <sup>2321</sup>		
			\$3 per unit per month for the next 300 average daily units (201st to 500th units)		
			\$2 per unit per month for all average daily units above 500 (501 <sup>st</sup> and above)		
Pass-Through Expenses:					

1. Communications

C.

- a. Communications Access Cost
- b. Telephone toll calls Cost

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2321</sup> "Units" refers to the number of portfolio subscriptions for each billing month. Unit charges are calculated by applying the tiered fee structure to the average daily number of units subscribed for by the Member in the billing month.

с.	Failure to migrate from legacy	Cost <sup><u>2422</u></sup>
	networks to SMART and/or	
	SFTI	

- 2. Forms Cost
- 3. Miscellaneous Expenses: Cost Any other expense not specified above, whether one-time or recurring, which the Corporation may incur on behalf of a Member at a Member's request
- D. (1) Each item submitted in paper form \$.50 per item (except Envelope Settlement Service, Funds Only Settlement Service, Dividend Settlement Service, Correspondent Delivery and Collection Service, and Automated Customer Account Transfer Service Transfer Initiation Form)
  - (2) Each ACAT Transfer Initiation Form \$1.00 per item submitted in paper form
- E. Line of Credit Commitment Fee

Current month's cost -- pro rata monthly among Letter of Credit users based upon previous month's utilization

F. Global Clearing Network Service P.C. \$125.00 per month Access/Hunt group Fee

#### VI. COLLECTION CHARGE

The Corporation may also bill Members and Mutual Fund/Insurance Services Members for, and include on Members' and Mutual Fund/Insurance Services Members' (referred to in this section collectively as "participants") settlement statements, fees and charges which may be imposed on such participants by third parties such as: (a) other subsidiaries of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (b) self-regulatory organizations and other security industry organizations or entities, where such third party has represented to the Corporation that it has an agreement with the participant allowing the participant's payment of such fees and charges; and (c) other organizations and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2422</sup> The entire cost of supporting the legacy network connections will be allocated among the remaining users pro rata.

entities which provide services or equipment to participants which are integral to services provided by the Corporation. Any amounts so collected will be remitted to the appropriate organization or entity imposing such fee or charge.

Such fees and charges may include those of companies that identify themselves as being an affiliate of the participant. Participants should check their settlement statements, which shall reflect all such charges, and report any problems to the Corporation immediately.

#### VII. APPLICATION OF FEES

With the exception of certain registered clearing agencies, all fees will be charged uniformly to all participants and collected through the settlement system if possible. Fees for other standard services provided to registered clearing agencies will be the same as those charged to other participants. Special services performed for registered clearing agencies will be contracted on an individual basis.

#### VIII. NSCC PRICING POLICY

The Corporation's policy is to retain only those revenues which are required to maintain an adequate revenue base in order to liquidate current production costs, provide for a continuance of product enhancements and development, provide for a discount when volume levels equal or exceed projections and provide for retained earnings as directed by the Board. In order to meet such objectives, the Corporation will:

If the Corporation's gross billable revenues before adjustment (i.e., revenues before discount) exceed the approximate level of costs, adjust downward (i.e., discount) participants' invoices.

If the Corporation's gross billable revenues before adjustment (i.e., revenues before surcharge) are less than the approximate level of costs, adjust upward (i.e., surcharge) participants' invoices.

Both the discount and the surcharge when applicable will be reflected directly on participants" invoices.