

B #:	4379-16
Date:	October 5, 2016
То:	All Participants
Category:	Reorganization
From:	Corporate Actions Operations
Attention:	Managing Partner/Officer, Operations Officer
Subject:	New Functionality – Cover Protect on Behalf of Another Participant

Effective on October 14, 2016, DTC will deploy a new option in the PTS/PBS functions PTOP and PSOP identified as "Cover Protects on Behalf of Another" which will allow Participants to submit a cover protect, either in part or full, for another Participant that previously submitted a protect. This new functionality was previously announced in Important Notice B#1056-15. Simultaneous with this deployment, access to the PTS/PBS PTOP and PSOP "Cover Protect Submitted Directly to Agent" function will be disabled, and no longer available for use.

<u>Covering Protects on Behalf of Another</u> - To use the new functionality, the Participant submitting the cover protect will be required to enter the Protect ID, Protect Sequence Number (PSOP only) and Protect Participant ID created in PTOP/PSOP by the protecting Participant. Upon successful system validation, the Participant submitting the cover protect will be debited position in the target security and the Participant submitting the protect will be credited position in either the contra CUSIP for PTOP events or the underlying CUSIP for PSOP events.

<u>Covering a Protect Submitted Directly to the Agent</u> - In the event a Participant submits a hard copy Notice of Guaranteed Delivery (Protect) directly to the Tender or Rights Subscription Agent, the Participant will have two options to cover the protect: (a) submit the cover protect instruction directly to the agent, or (b) coordinate with the agent and DTC to cover the protect through DTC as follows:

Hardcopy Notice of Guaranteed Delivery/Protect submitted directly to Agent

- a) Agent accepts Notice of Guaranteed Delivery (Protect) and advises DTC
- b) Participant submits the hardcopy protect submission form to DTC Voluntary Team
- c) Voluntary Team processes the protect submission detail into PTOP/PSOP
- d) Participant covers the protect within PTOP/PSOP set up by DTC using either:
 - o Existing Options COVER PROTECTS SUBMITTED VIA PSOP (#3) or PTOP (#4)
 - o New Option #5 COVER PROTECTS ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PARTICIPANT

Questions regarding this Important Notice may be directed to the Client Help Center (CHC) Hotline at 1 (888) 382-2721, Option 4.

Note – with the new functionality, as described above, to cover a protect via PTS /PBS, there must be a protect in PTS/PBS.

Sample PSOP Screen

For PSOP, by entering Option 4 the Participant will be directed to use Option 3 if covering their own protect or Option 5 if covering another Participant's protect (see note above).

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USE OPT 3 FOR COVER VIA PSOP OR OPT 5 FOR COVER ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PART
TAHE
                        THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY
                                                               DATE:
                                RIGHTS MAIN MENU
                                                               TIME:
                    1) SUBMIT NEW INSTRUCTIONS
                    2) SUBMIT PROTECTS
                   3) COVER
4) COVER
                              PROTECTS SUBMITTED VIA PSOP
                              PROTECTS SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO AGENT
                    COVER
                              PROTECTS ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PARTICIPANT
                    6) SUBMIT SELL INSTRUCTIONS
                      INQUIRY MENU
                    ENTER OPTION:
                    RIGHTS CUSIP:
                                                       PROTECT SEQ:
                    PROTECT ID
                    PROTECT PARTICIPANT:
ENTER:PROCESS
               PF8/20:END FUNCTION
                                        PF9/21:SIGNOFF
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Sample PTOP screen

In PTOP, by entering Option 3 the Participant will be directed to use Option 4 if covering their own protect or Option 5 if covering another Participant's protect (see note above).

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USE OPT 4 FOR COVER VIA PTOP OR OPT5 FOR COVER ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PARTICIPANT
                            THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY
                                                                        DATE: 09/21/2016
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                              VOLUNTARY TENDER SERVICE
                 1) SUBMIT NEW INSTRUCTIONS
2) SUBMIT PROTECTS
3) COVER PROTECTS SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO AGENT
                 4) COVER PROTECTS SUBMITTED VIA PTOP
                 5) COVER PROTECTS ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PARTICIPANT
6) INQUIRY
7) PROTECT SUBMISSIONS INQUIRY
                 8) PROTECT SUBMISSIONS WITH UNCOVERED QUANTITIES
                    PROTECT SUBMISSIONS COVERED ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER
                10) WITHDRAWAL SELECTIONS & INQUIRY
                                                              - 031 PENDING
                  ENTER OPTION: 03
                                                  PROTECT PART ID : __
       CONTRA CUSIP
                                                  PROTECT ID:
                        : N (Y OR N)
       HISTORICAL
ENTER:PROCESS
                               PF8/20:END FUNCTION
                                                                     PF9/21:SIGNOFF
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