

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

Financial Statements (Unaudited) as of September 30, 2023 and
December 31, 2022 and for the three and nine months ended
September 30, 2023 and 2022

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STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands, except share data)	As of September 30, 2023	As of December 31, 2022
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 402,840	\$ 358,450
Accounts receivable - net of allowance for credit losses	20,297	14,462
Clearing Fund	63,149,626	47,730,885
Other Participants' assets	66,321	76,569
Other current assets	30,829	7,856
Total current assets	<u>63,669,913</u>	<u>48,188,222</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS:		
Premises and equipment - net of accumulated depreciation of \$381 and \$366 as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively	583	598
Intangible assets - net of accumulated amortization of \$76,622 and \$62,995 as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively	41,255	44,006
Total non-current assets	<u>41,838</u>	<u>44,604</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 63,711,751</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 48,232,826</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 104,172	\$ 77,343
Clearing Fund	63,149,626	47,730,885
Payable to Participants	66,321	76,569
Other current liabilities	12,063	2,192
Total current liabilities	<u>63,332,182</u>	<u>47,886,989</u>
OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Other non-current liabilities	5,614	9,690
Total liabilities	<u>63,337,796</u>	<u>47,896,679</u>
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 2)		
SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Common stock, \$0.50 par value - 105,000 shares authorized; 20,400 shares issued and outstanding	10	10
Additional paid-in capital	86,617	86,617
Retained earnings	287,328	249,520
Total shareholder's equity	<u>373,955</u>	<u>336,147</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 63,711,751</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 48,232,826</u></u>

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STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands)	For the three months ended September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
REVENUES				
Clearing services	\$ 102,140	\$ 78,701	\$ 291,435	\$ 234,741
Other services	395	280	1,021	644
Total revenues	<u>102,535</u>	<u>78,981</u>	<u>292,456</u>	<u>235,385</u>
EXPENSES				
Employee compensation and related benefits	32,138	33,101	102,836	96,686
Information technology	7,452	7,056	21,179	20,033
Professional and other services	36,600	28,898	97,993	79,535
Occupancy	2,080	2,445	5,928	6,004
Depreciation and amortization	3,936	4,815	13,642	14,326
General and administrative	3,853	3,869	11,376	10,742
Total expenses	<u>86,059</u>	<u>80,184</u>	<u>252,954</u>	<u>227,326</u>
Total operating income (loss)	<u>16,476</u>	<u>(1,203)</u>	<u>39,502</u>	<u>8,059</u>
NON-OPERATING INCOME (EXPENSE)				
Interest income	263,682	84,863	736,012	119,073
Refunds to Participants	(258,609)	(83,279)	(722,818)	(116,716)
Interest expense	(1,261)	(811)	(3,823)	(2,418)
Other non-operating income, net	1,315	679	4,071	2,390
Total non-operating income	<u>5,127</u>	<u>1,452</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>2,329</u>
Income before taxes	21,603	249	52,944	10,388
Provision for income taxes	6,204	371	15,136	3,265
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 15,399</u>	<u>\$ (122)</u>	<u>\$ 37,808</u>	<u>\$ 7,123</u>

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands)	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total Shareholder's Equity
BALANCE - January 1, 2023	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 249,520	\$ 336,147
Net income	—	—	10,480	10,480
BALANCE - March 31, 2023	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 260,000	\$ 346,627
Net income	—	—	11,929	11,929
BALANCE - June 30, 2023	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 271,929	\$ 358,556
Net income	—	—	15,399	15,399
BALANCE - September 30, 2023	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 86,617</u>	<u>\$ 287,328</u>	<u>\$ 373,955</u>
(In thousands)				
BALANCE - January 1, 2022	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 244,894	\$ 331,521
Net income	—	—	6,059	6,059
BALANCE - March 31, 2022	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 250,953	\$ 337,580
Net income	—	—	1,186	1,186
BALANCE - June 30, 2022	\$ 10	\$ 86,617	\$ 252,139	\$ 338,766
Net income	—	—	(122)	(122)
BALANCE - September 30, 2022	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 86,617</u>	<u>\$ 252,017</u>	<u>\$ 338,644</u>

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(In thousands)	For the nine months ended September 30,	
	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 37,808	\$ 7,123
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	13,642	14,326
Deferred income taxes	(4,083)	(3,580)
Other	13	—
Net change in:		
Accounts receivable	(5,848)	7,687
Other assets	(22,973)	(11,116)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	26,829	20,229
Other liabilities	9,878	(1,741)
Clearing Fund liabilities	1,607,924	2,229,873
Payable to Participants	(10,248)	(12,473)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>1,652,942</u>	<u>2,250,328</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Capitalized software development costs	(10,876)	(16,590)
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(10,876)</u>	<u>(16,590)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Dividend on common stock	—	(20,000)
Cash used in financing activities	<u>—</u>	<u>(20,000)</u>
Net increase in Cash and cash equivalents, Clearing Fund cash deposits, Cash in Other Participants' assets	1,642,066	2,213,738
Cash and cash equivalents, Clearing Fund cash deposits, Cash in Other Participants' assets - Beginning of period	<u>19,202,097</u>	<u>12,919,454</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, Clearing Fund cash deposits, Cash in Other Participants' assets - End of period	<u>\$ 20,844,163</u>	<u>\$ 15,133,192</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:		
Interest paid	<u>\$ 3,665</u>	<u>\$ 2,384</u>
Income taxes paid - net of refunds	<u>\$ 8,870</u>	<u>\$ 8,208</u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AND 2022

1. BUSINESS AND OWNERSHIP

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation (FICC or the Company), a clearing agency registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), provides central counterparty (CCP) services for the U.S. government and mortgage-backed securities markets (referred to herein as Participants). Services provided by FICC consist principally of automated real-time trade comparison, netting, settlement, trade confirmation, clearing, risk management and electronic pool notification. FICC has two divisions, the Government Securities Division (GSD) and the Mortgage-Backed Securities Division (MBSD).

FICC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC). Other subsidiaries of DTCC include The Depository Trust Company (DTC), National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC), DTCC ITP LLC, DTCC Deriv/SERV LLC and DTCC Solutions LLC.

FICC is designated as a Systemically Important Financial Market Utility (SIFMU) by the U.S. Financial Stability Oversight Council pursuant to Title VIII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, which subjects the Company to enhanced standards for risk management, operation and governance, as established by the SEC's Standards for Covered Clearing Agencies (CCAS).

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation. The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The interim financial statements exclude some of the disclosures required in audited financial statements and should be read in conjunction with FICC's Audited Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, which are located on the Company's website at <http://www.dtcc.com/legal/financial-statements>. See Note 2 in FICC's audited financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, for additional information on the Company's Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

The interim financial statements reflect all adjustments of a normal recurring nature that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for the fair presentation of the results for the interim period. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the entire year.

Use of estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Management makes estimates regarding, among other things, the collectability of receivables, the outcome of litigation, the realization of deferred taxes, unrecognized tax benefits, impairment of intangible assets, fair value measurements, expense allocations and other matters that affect the reported amounts. Estimates are based on judgment and available information; therefore, actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

Commitments and contingencies. The Company is involved in legal proceedings and litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the outcome of such proceedings and litigation is not expected to have a material effect on the accompanying Statements of Financial Condition, Income or Cash Flows.

Revenue recognition. The Company derives its revenue from transaction fees, subscription revenue, and usage fees. Revenue from transaction fees is billed monthly and calculated based on the value and volume of executed transactions and the established fee schedules, less any applicable volume discounts. The volume targets or thresholds for the discounts primarily reset monthly. Subscription revenues are recognized ratably over the performance period of the relevant contract using a time elapsed measure of progress as the customer receives the benefits of the services throughout the term of the contract. Usage fees are recognized when services are provided based on contractual terms.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Details for each revenue stream presented in the Company's Statements of Income follow:

Clearing services. Revenue derived from this revenue stream is in the form of transaction fees that are based on either the volume or value of trading activity. Services include the netting and settlement of mortgage backed securities clearing, and government securities clearing.

Other services. Revenue derived from this revenue stream may be in the form of subscription revenue and usage fees, which include referential and activity-based announcement, security reference, and liquidity data through the DTCC Data Services product. These offerings are delivered in fixed or configurable formats, sourced from the Company's transaction, reference, position and asset servicing data.

Deferred revenue. Deferred revenue represents the Company's liability to perform services in the future related to payments received in advance of those services. Deferred revenue as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 was \$1,432,000 and \$1,903,000, respectively, and is included in Other current liabilities on the accompanying Statements of Financial Condition. Of the \$1,903,000 as of December 31, 2022, \$373,000 and \$977,000 were recognized as revenue during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, respectively.

Expense allocations. Substantially all expenses are recorded at DTCC and are allocated to its subsidiaries, including FICC, based upon their estimated use of such goods or services as determined by various allocation factors including level of support provided and utilization of technology resources. Accordingly, the expenses in the accompanying Statements of Income represent allocated costs including Employee compensation and related benefits, Information technology, Professional and other services, Occupancy and General and administrative.

Reconciliation of Cash and cash equivalents and other limited-use cash. When reconciling the beginning and ending total amounts shown in the Statements of Cash Flows, the Company includes all cash on the Statements of Financial Condition, regardless of which line it is included. The Statement of Cash Flows includes Cash and cash equivalents and cash balances that are not available for general corporate purposes due to certain limitations, including - Clearing Fund cash deposits and Cash in Other Participants' assets.

A reconciliation of Cash and cash equivalents, Clearing Fund cash deposits, and Cash in Other Participants' assets, reported within the Statements of Financial Condition that sum to the total of the same such amounts shown on the accompanying Statements of Cash Flows follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2023	December 31, 2022	September 30, 2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 402,840	\$ 358,450	\$ 325,130
Clearing Fund cash deposits (see Note 3)	20,375,002	18,767,078	14,805,690
Cash in Other Participants' assets	66,321	76,569	2,372
Total Cash and cash equivalents, Clearing Fund cash deposits and Cash in Other Participants' assets shown on the Statements of Cash Flows	<u>\$ 20,844,163</u>	<u>\$ 19,202,097</u>	<u>\$ 15,133,192</u>

Global Events and Crises. Global pandemics, sanctions, war, or natural disasters may have an adverse impact on market, economic and geopolitical conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown. Such a slowdown may have a material impact on the Company's financial results including changes in revenue, interest rates, liquidity/credit, and government and regulatory policy. At this time, the Company has not experienced any material adverse financial impacts from these events and crises.

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3. CLEARING FUND

Details for the Clearing Fund deposits as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 follow (in thousands):

	2023			2022		
	GS Division	MBS Division	Total	GS Division	MBS Division	Total
Total deposits	\$50,491,253	\$12,658,373	\$63,149,626	\$36,730,794	\$11,000,091	\$47,730,885
Less: Required deposits	40,070,616	10,515,764	50,586,380	29,422,757	8,189,256	37,612,013
Excess deposits	<u>\$10,420,637</u>	<u>\$ 2,142,609</u>	<u>\$12,563,246</u>	<u>\$ 7,308,037</u>	<u>\$ 2,810,835</u>	<u>\$10,118,872</u>

Cash and Securities. Details for cash and securities of the Clearing Fund, which may be applied to satisfy obligations of the depositing Participant, other Participants, or the Company pursuant to FICC's rules, as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 follow (in thousands):

	2023			2022		
	GS Division	MBS Division	Total	GS Division	MBS Division	Total
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽¹⁾	\$15,984,988	\$ 4,390,014	\$20,375,002	\$14,202,795	\$ 4,564,283	\$18,767,078
U.S. Treasury Securities	29,404,917	8,107,817	37,512,734	19,965,470	5,974,034	25,939,504
U.S. Agency Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities	4,650,826	89,982	4,740,808	2,305,701	387,359	2,693,060
U.S. Agency Issued Debt Securities	450,522	70,560	521,082	256,828	74,415	331,243
Total	<u>\$50,491,253</u>	<u>\$12,658,373</u>	<u>\$63,149,626</u>	<u>\$36,730,794</u>	<u>\$11,000,091</u>	<u>\$47,730,885</u>

(1) The Company's cash and cash equivalents of the Clearing Fund are all bank deposits as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

4. CREDIT RATINGS

The Company is rated by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (Moody's) and S&P Global Inc. (S&P). Details for issuer credit ratings and ratings outlooks for the Company as of September 30, 2023 follow:

Moody's ⁽¹⁾			S&P		
Long-term	Short-term	Outlook	Long-term	Short-term	Outlook
Aaa	P-1	Stable	AA	A-1+	Stable

(1) Moody's categorizes the long-term issuer ratings of the Company as a clearing counterparty rating (CCR) under the agency's Clearing Houses Rating Methodology.

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

See Note 8 in FICC's Audited Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, for the Company's valuation basis, including valuation techniques and inputs, as well as the fair value hierarchy used in measuring the Company's financial assets and liabilities that are both accounted for at fair value and at other than fair value.

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5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

Fair value measurements for those items measured on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 are summarized below (in thousands):

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets - Clearing Fund				
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$ 37,512,734	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 37,512,734
U.S. Agency Issued Debt Securities	290,384	230,698	—	521,082
U.S. Agency Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities	—	4,740,808	—	4,740,808
Total	<u>\$ 37,803,118</u>	<u>\$ 4,971,506</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 42,774,624</u>
Liabilities - Clearing Fund				
Securities liabilities	\$ 37,803,118	\$ 4,971,506	\$ —	\$ 42,774,624
Total	<u>\$ 37,803,118</u>	<u>\$ 4,971,506</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 42,774,624</u>
	2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets - Clearing Fund				
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$ 25,939,504	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 25,939,504
U.S. Agency Issued Debt Securities	217,206	114,037	—	331,243
U.S. Agency Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities	—	2,693,060	—	2,693,060
Total	<u>\$ 26,156,710</u>	<u>\$ 2,807,097</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 28,963,807</u>
Liabilities - Clearing Fund				
Securities liabilities	\$ 26,156,710	\$ 2,807,097	\$ —	\$ 28,963,807
Total	<u>\$ 26,156,710</u>	<u>\$ 2,807,097</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 28,963,807</u>

Financial assets and liabilities measured at other than fair value. The carrying values, fair values and fair value hierarchy levels of all financial instruments measured at other than fair value on the accompanying Statements of Financial Condition as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 follow (in thousands):

	2023				
	Carrying Amount	Total Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 402,840	\$ 402,840	\$ 402,840	\$ —	\$ —
Clearing Fund:					
Cash deposits - Bank deposits	20,375,002	20,375,002	20,375,002	—	—
Other Participants' assets	66,321	66,321	66,321	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 20,844,163</u>	<u>\$ 20,844,163</u>	<u>\$ 20,844,163</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Liabilities:					
Clearing Fund:					
Cash deposits - Bank deposits	\$ 20,375,002	\$ 20,375,002	\$ 20,375,002	\$ —	\$ —
Payable to Participants	66,321	66,321	66,321	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 20,441,323</u>	<u>\$ 20,441,323</u>	<u>\$ 20,441,323</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

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5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

	Carrying Amount	Total Fair Value	2022		
			Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 358,450	\$ 358,450	\$ 358,450	\$ —	\$ —
Clearing Fund:					
Cash deposits - Bank deposits	18,767,078	18,767,078	18,767,078	—	—
Other Participants' assets	76,569	76,569	76,569	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 19,202,097</u>	<u>\$ 19,202,097</u>	<u>\$ 19,202,097</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Liabilities:					
Clearing Fund:					
Cash deposits - Bank deposits	\$ 18,767,078	\$ 18,767,078	\$ 18,767,078	\$ —	\$ —
Payable to Participants	76,569	76,569	76,569	—	—
Total	<u>\$ 18,843,647</u>	<u>\$ 18,843,647</u>	<u>\$ 18,843,647</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis.

There were no assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis during the periods ended September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

6. RETIREMENT PLANS

Defined contribution retirement plans. Eligible U.S. DTCC employees participate in one of two defined contribution plans, The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation Employee Savings Plan (Employee Savings Plan) and The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation Operations Level Employee Savings Plan (Operations Level Savings Plan). The Employee Savings Plan is a single employer plan covering non-bargaining unit employees. The Operations Level Savings Plan is a single employer plan covering bargaining unit employees.

Defined benefit pension and other postretirement benefit plans. Eligible DTCC employees participate in DTCC's non-contributory defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans, which provide for certain benefits upon retirement. DTCC's sponsored non-contributory plans include a defined benefit pension plan, supplemental executive retirement plan and benefit restoration plan. The other postretirement plans include retiree medical and life insurance plans for eligible retired employees and their beneficiaries.

Cost allocation. DTCC allocates the cost of these plans to its subsidiaries based primarily upon the estimated proportion of each subsidiary's salary cost relative to DTCC's total salary cost. The defined contribution retirement plans costs allocated to FICC were expense of \$1,962,000 and \$2,192,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$5,544,000 and \$5,982,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The defined benefit pension and other postretirement benefit plans costs allocated to FICC were expense of \$76,000 and \$190,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and \$281,000 and \$369,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively. These costs are included in Employee compensation and related benefits, Interest expense, and Other non-operating income, net, in the accompanying Statements of Income based on the nature of the pension expense component.

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7. INCOME TAXES

Rollforward of unrecognized tax benefits for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 follow (in thousands):

	2023	2022
Beginning balance	\$ 316	\$ —
Increases:		
Prior period tax positions	—	316
Current period tax positions	7	—
Unrecognized tax benefit	323	316
Accrued interest	64	48
Ending balance	<u>\$ 387</u>	<u>\$ 364</u>

See Note 10 in FICC's Audited Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 for additional information pertaining to the Company's income taxes.

8. CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

As required by Rule 17Ad-22(e)(15) of the CCAS and pursuant to the Clearing Agency Policy on Capital Requirements, the Company must meet its total capital requirement by holding liquid net assets funded by equity. The total capital requirement for FICC is equal to the sum of the general business risk capital requirement and corporate contribution, as described below.

General Business Risk Capital Requirement. This capital requirement is held to cover potential general business losses so that the Company can continue operations and provide services as a going concern if those losses materialize. It is determined based on the Company's general business risk profile and estimated time to execute a recovery or orderly wind-down of critical operations and, at a minimum, is equal to six months of operating expenses.

Corporate Contribution. The corporate contribution is applied to losses of the Company as provided in FICC's rules. The amount of the corporate contribution is generally equal to 50% of the Company's general business risk capital requirement.

Details for the general business risk capital requirement, corporate contribution and liquid net assets funded by equity for the Company as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 follow (in thousands):

	2023	2022
General business risk capital requirement	\$ 158,879	\$ 150,500
Corporate contribution	79,440	75,250
Total requirement	238,319	225,750
Liquid net assets funded by equity	373,955	336,147
Excess	<u>\$ 135,636</u>	<u>\$ 110,397</u>

9. GUARANTEES

FICC, through GSD and MBSD, provides CCP services, including clearing, settlement and risk management services. Acting as a CCP, FICC guarantees the settlement of trades, with respect to each division, in the event one or more of its Participants defaults. A Participant default is defined in each division's rules. In its guarantor role, FICC has equal claims to and from Participants on opposite sides of netted transactions. To cover its default risk, FICC uses risk-based margining to determine Participants' required cash and eligible securities deposits to its Clearing Fund. FICC maintains separate Clearing Funds for each of GSD and MBSD.

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9. GUARANTEES (CONTINUED)

In addition, with respect to GSD, FICC has entered into a cross-margining agreement with the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (CME), which may also provide for additional funds if the defaulting Participant was a cross-margining participant.

Details for each division's open positions for which a trade guaranty applied as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 follow (in billions):

Division	2023	2022
GSD	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,418
MBSD	381	282
	<u>\$ 2,080</u>	<u>\$ 1,700</u>

There were no defaults by Participants to these obligations in 2023 and 2022.

See Note 13 in FICC's Audited Financial Statements for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 for additional information on the Company's guarantees.

10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company evaluated events and transactions occurring after September 30, 2023 through October 30, 2023, the date these financial statements were available to be issued, for potential recognition or disclosure. No events or transactions occurred during such period that would require recognition or disclosure in these financial statements.