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1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

- (a) The proposed rule change of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") consists of a proposed Amended and Restated Cross-Margining Agreement (the "Restated Agreement") between FICC and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME," collectively FICC and CME are referred to herein as the "Clearing Organizations" or "Parties"). The proposed Restated Agreement would replace the current Cross-Margining Agreement between the Parties (the "Existing Agreement")¹ in its entirety and would be incorporated into the FICC Government Securities Division ("GSD") Rulebook ("GSD Rules"). The proposed rule change does not require any changes to the text of the GSD Rules.² The proposed Restated Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 5.³
 - (b) Not applicable.
 - (c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The filing of this proposed rule change was approved by the Risk Committee of FICC's Board of Directors on September 12, 2018 and December 14, 2021.

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

(a) <u>Purpose</u>

Executive Summary

Generally, the purpose of a cross-margining arrangement between two clearing organizations is to recognize the offsetting value of positions maintained by a member (or a

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 49003 (Dec. 29, 2003), 69 FR 712 (Jan. 6, 2004) (SR-FICC-2003-10). For subsequent amendments to the Existing Agreement, see Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 50790 (Dec. 3, 2004), 69 FR 71456 (Dec. 9, 2004) (SR-FICC-2004-16); 51178 (Feb. 9, 2005), 70 FR 7982 (Feb. 16, 2005) (SR-FICC-2005-03); 55217 (Jan. 31, 2007), 72 FR 5774 (Feb. 7, 2007) (SR-FICC-2006-16); 59498 (Mar. 4, 2009), 74 FR 10321 (Mar. 10, 2009) (SR-FICC-2009-01); 63986 (Feb. 28, 2011), 76 FR 12144 (Mar. 4, 2011) (SR-FICC-2010-09); and 72396 (June 16, 2014), 79 FR 35400 (June 20, 2014) (SR-FICC-2014-04).

The Existing Agreement is incorporated in the GSD Rules <u>available at</u> <u>www.dtcc.com/legal/rules-and-procedures.aspx</u>. Unless otherwise specified, capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the GSD Rules, which includes the Existing Agreement.

Proposed Amended and Restated Cross-Margining Agreement by Fixed Income Clearing Corporation and Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

member and its affiliate) at the two clearing organizations for margin purposes. Any resulting margin reductions create capital efficiencies for common members.

With regard to its cross-margining arrangement with CME, FICC is proposing to replace the Existing Agreement with the Restated Agreement, which would be incorporated into the GSD Rules. The purpose of the proposed Restated Agreement is to expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to clearing members of the two Clearing Organizations under the Existing Agreement, thus reducing their margin costs and allowing for more efficient capital usage by members. It would also streamline the default management and loss sharing processes by making clear that a joint liquidation would be the preferred method used by the Clearing Organizations in the event of a member default.

The key aspects of the proposed Restated Agreement are as follows (and are described in more detail below):

- Member participation: Participation in the cross-margining arrangement would continue to be voluntary and the criteria for participation under the proposed Restated Agreement would remain the same as it is under the Existing Agreement.⁴
- Eligible products: Additional CME products would become eligible under the proposed Restated Agreement,⁵ allowing for greater potential margin offsets.
- Calculation of margin and margin reductions: The proposed Restated Agreement, would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes of securities and conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products.⁶ As a result, FICC believes, based on portfolio specific construction and market conditions, that these changes should generate margin savings in excess of those under the Existing Agreement. For example, based on a study comparing margin savings generated under the Existing Agreement and under the proposed Restated Agreement over the

⁴ Currently cross-margining is only available for house (proprietary accounts) of CME clearing members that are also GSD Netting Members (either directly or through an affiliate).

⁵ CME will add products to the proposed Restated Agreement as discussed in more detail below.

References herein to "offset classes" refers to the grouping of securities by maturity for purposes of comparing those securities to CME Eligible Products whose price volatility is sufficiently correlated to determine whether long and short positions could be offset for purposes of determining margin requirements. Moving to security-level offsets would simplify the margin calculation process by removing the need to define and work with categories of securities.

- December 1, 2021 to November 30, 2022 period, margin savings went from a range of 0.1% to 17.4% under the Existing Agreement, to a range of 0% to 36.6% under the proposed Restated Agreement.
- Default management: Under the Existing Agreement, there is no express language requiring the Parties to attempt to conduct a joint liquidation. Whereas the proposed Restated Agreement would make clear that a joint liquidation is the preferred means of liquidation of cross-margining positions in the event of a member default. A joint liquidation is optimal because it maximizes the efficiency and effectiveness of the liquidation process by enabling each Clearing Organization to recognize reduced risk by offsetting risk positions together. The proposed Restated Agreement would also provide for the possible exchange of variation margin during the course of a joint liquidation. The exchange of variation margin during the course of a joint liquidation would be an improvement because instead of using other liquidity resources, it would enable a Party that has a mark-to-market loss arising out of cross-margining positions to use the variation margin gains on offsetting cross-margining positions held by the other Clearing Organization. The Existing Agreement has no such provisions and they would be added to improve the efficiency of the default management process.

FICC believes that the proposed expansion of the scope of CME Eligible Products (as defined below) available for cross-margining, the expansion of the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that would be available to Cross-Margining Participants, and the improvement in the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management process would enhance the cross-

The study covered fifteen current Cross-Margining Participants' actual eligible FICC portfolios and simulated CME futures portfolios. FICC notes that margin savings will vary based on portfolio specific construction and market conditions.

FICC notes, however, that cross-margining-related margin requirements account for only nineteen (19) percent of total margin requirements on average. FICC provided its analysis of the potential effects on margin requirements to the Commission in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010. FICC provided responses to specific questions raised by Commission staff with regard to the conceptual review of margin reduction mechanics (e.g., the applicable margin model, impact of proposed changes), the potential effect on other margin add-on charges, and how FICC intends to model Treasury futures. FICC also provided information pertaining to minimum and maximum margin reduction thresholds, potential effects of the proposed changes to margin calculations, and model backtesting.

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Cross-Margining Participant" means a Joint Clearing Member that has become, or a Clearing Member that is part of a pair of affiliated Clearing Members each of which has become, a participant in the cross-margining arrangement between FICC and CME established pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement. In the latter case, the term "Cross-Margining Participant" shall, where the context requires, refer collectively to the pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates.

margining arrangement between FICC and CME. FICC believes that these enhancements would encourage greater utilization of centralized clearing, thereby facilitating systemic risk reduction.

Background

The Existing Agreement establishes a cross-margining arrangement¹⁰ that allows FICC to consider the net risk of a participant's related eligible positions at FICC and CME when setting margin requirements of such positions.¹¹

FICC proposes to enter into the proposed Restated Agreement which would, among other things, (i) generally expand the list of CME Eligible Products¹² available for cross-margining; (ii) remove certain existing appendices to the Existing Agreement that describe operational calculations and margin examples, and instead establish procedures to be included in a separate service level agreement, including certain other processes covering default management and changes to the lists of CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products; (iii) revise and expand the scope and efficiency for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures; (iv) add provisions describing default management in terms of (x) what steps would be taken in the event of a joint or separate liquidation of Defaulting Member's Eligible Positions, and (y) the exchange between the Parties of "Variation Margin" during the course of a joint liquidation (as defined in the proposed Restated Agreement) and loss sharing; and (v) revise

Cross-margining arrangements are addressed in GSD Rule 43, <u>supra</u> note 2.

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 2.

¹² See Exhibit A of the proposed Restated Agreement, "CME Eligible Products." The CME Eligible Products are the following: CBT 26 2-year T-Note Futures, CBT 3YR 3-year T-Notes Futures, CBT 25 5-Year T-Note Futures, CBT 21 10-year T-Note Futures, CBT 17 U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures, CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TWE 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT 41 30 Day Federal Funds Futures, CME ED Eurodollar Futures, CME 1-Month Eurodollar Futures, CME SR1 One-Month SOFR Futures, CME SR3 Three-Month SOFR Futures. Id. Of the foregoing, the following CME products would be newly eligible under the Restated agreement: CBT 3YR 3-year T-Notes Futures, CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures, CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TWE 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT 41 30 Day Federal Funds Futures, CME SR1 One-Month SOFR Futures, and CME SR3 Three-Month SOFR Futures. As noted above, certain Agency futures have not been used in the current arrangement and will not be carried into the proposed Restated Agreement. Specifically, the following CME products would no longer be eligible: the "Five Year Agency" and "Ten Year Agency" Futures identified in Appendix B of the Existing Agreement.

certain other provisions that relate to the Clearing Organizations' contractual obligations to one another.¹³

Key Terms of the Existing Agreement

For purposes of additional background, the following is an overview of the key terms of the Existing Agreement.

1. Daily Margin Calculation

Under the Existing Agreement, the cross-margining calculation is not based upon FICC's VaR model. Rather, FICC and CME each separately hold and manage its own positions and collateral and independently determine the amount of margin that it would make available for cross-margining (after they each first conduct their own internal offsets). Once each Business Day, FICC and CME exchange files with respect to their members' positions that are eligible for cross-margining. FICC computes the amount by which a member's margin requirement can be reduced, by comparing that member's Eligible Positions and related margin requirements at GSD against those at CME. FICC and CME may then each reduce the amount of collateral that they collect to reflect the offsets between the Cross-Margining Participant's positions at FICC and its (or its Affiliate's) positions at CME. A Currently, the calculation of the offsets each Clearing Organization applies relies upon a methodology for the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products, as well as the use of minimum margin factors to measure interest rate exposure.

Additionally, the Clearing Organizations limit the potential margin reductions from cross-margining. Specifically, they apply a Disallowance Factor to a given CME and GSD Offset Class (an "Offset Class" being a grouping of securities by maturity). ¹⁵ Based on these Disallowance Factors, margin offsets are determined for each Offset Class. The sum of these margin offsets provides the member's Cross-Margining Reduction) at CME and at GSD. ¹⁶

These provisions include, but are not limited to, the confidentiality provisions and removing the arbitration provision.

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 2.

FICC and CME agree on the applicable Disallowance Factors from time to time. Examples of Disallowance Factor tables are included in Exhibit B of the Existing Agreement.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, FICC and CME unilaterally have the right to (1) not reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement by the Cross-Margining Reduction or (2) reduce it by less than the Cross-Margining Reduction. However, the Clearing Organizations may not reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement by more than the Cross-Margining Reduction. See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 2.

2. The Cross-Margining Guaranty and Reimbursement Obligation

As would also be the case under the proposed Restated Agreement, under the Existing Agreement, CME agrees to guaranty certain performance obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant to FICC, and FICC agrees to guaranty certain performance obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant to CME. These cross-margining Guaranties¹⁷ are necessary to facilitate the Cross-Margining Arrangement and represent contractual commitments that each Clearing Organization has to the other.¹⁸ Specifically, CME and FICC guarantee the Cross-Margining Participant's performance of its obligations to the other Clearing Corporation up to the amount of the member's Cross-Margining Reduction.¹⁹ There is also a corresponding obligation of the Cross-Margining Participant to reimburse a Clearing Organization for any amounts paid under these Guaranties, which obligation is collateralized by the positions and margin of such Cross-Margining Participant held by the guarantor (CME or FICC, as applicable). The provisions in the Existing Agreement covering the cross-margining Guaranties and the Cross-Margining Participant's Reimbursement Obligation would remain the same under the proposed Restated Agreement.²⁰

3. Member Default Event

Under the Existing Agreement, there is no express language requiring the CME and FICC to conduct a joint liquidation at each Clearing Organization. However, there is language

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Guaranty" is defined as "the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, as in effect at a particular time with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement. The term "Guaranties" refers to both the Guaranty of CME to FICC and the Guaranty of FICC to CME [...]." See Section 1 of the Existing Agreement, "Definitions," supra note 2.

See Section 8A, "Guaranty of FICC to CME," and Section 8B "Guaranty of CME to FICC," of the Existing Agreement.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Cross-Margining Reduction" is defined as "the maximum amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement at one Clearing Organization may be reduced (irrespective of the amount by which it is actually reduced) as calculated in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement. The Cross-Margining Reduction at each Clearing Organization is equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets at that Clearing Organization. There will always be a specified Cross-Margining Reduction that one Clearing Organization could be required to pay the other Clearing Organization. See Section 1 of the Existing Agreement, "Definitions," supra note 2.

The "Reimbursement Obligation" is defined under the Existing Agreement as "the obligation, as set forth in Section 7(h) of this Agreement, of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Guaranty."

that provides that unless one of the Parties has elected to not liquidate, FICC and CME are required to use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the positions covered by the Cross-Margining Arrangement so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously.²¹ There are also provisions covering the sharing of losses by CME and FICC in accordance with the terms of the cross-margining Guaranties. ²² The allocation of losses depends upon whether, as to each Party, the liquidation results in a Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss. A narrative description of the loss sharing process is set forth in Appendix I of the Existing Agreement titled, "Loss Sharing Process." Additionally, after any payments are made pursuant to the Guaranties and loss sharing arrangement described above, if one of the Clearing Organizations computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, and the other an Aggregate Net Loss, the Existing Agreement includes an obligation for the Clearing Organization with the surplus to make a "Maximization Payment" to the other Clearing Organization. There is also an associated "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation"²⁴ of the Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a Maximization Payment. This provision enables excess collateral of a Defaulting Member to initially remain with the Clearing Organizations, if needed, to cover losses.

A. The Proposed Restated Agreement

Overview

As noted above, FICC proposes to enter into the proposed Restated Agreement with CME. The proposed Restated Agreement is primarily designed to, among other things, (i) expand the scope of CME Eligible Products, (ii) expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to Cross-Margining Participants, thus allowing for more efficient capital usage; (iii) improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management and loss sharing

Section 7(a) of the Existing Agreement, "Suspension and Liquidation of a Cross Margining Participant," states in pertinent part that, "Except to the extent that one Clearing Organization has determined unilaterally not to liquidate, FICC and CME shall use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the Used Positions so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously."

See Sections 8A, "Guaranty of FICC to CME" and 8B, "Guaranty of CME to FICC," of the Existing Agreement, supra note 2.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Payment" means the additional payment(s), if any, that are required to be made by FICC to CME, or vice versa, pursuant to Section 8C of this Agreement after payments are made under the Guaranty. <u>See</u> Section 8C of the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Payment," <u>supra</u> note 2.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 8C(d), of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a Maximization Payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Maximization Payment Guaranty. Id.

process; and (iv) as a result of such enhancements, further encourage greater utilization of centralized clearing, thereby facilitating systemic risk reduction. The material provisions of the proposed Restated Agreement are described in detail below.

Key Elements of the Proposed Restated Agreement

Proposal to Expand the list of CME Eligible Products

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, the list of CME products eligible for crossmargining would be amended to include an expanded list of interest rate futures that are cleared by CME.²⁵ Under the Existing Agreement, the interest rate futures and options contracts eligible for cross-margining are Eurodollar contracts listed on CME and certain U.S. Treasury contracts listed on the Chicago Board of Trade Incorporated ("CBOT"). 26 FICC understands that the purpose of the change in CME Eligible Products is to provide Cross-Margining Participants cross-margin benefits that better align with today's CME Interest Rates futures market structure. The original list of CME's product set does not include several CME Interest Rate futures contracts which have now become benchmark products for hedging in the broader U.S. Treasury Markets, for example the CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures and the CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures. The list would be expanded to include additional U.S. Treasury futures, which have been added to CME's suite of U.S. Treasury products since the Existing Agreement was established, and SOFR futures (which CME launched as a complement to and eventual replacement for Eurodollar futures). The list of FICC Eligible Products²⁷ would be comprised of U.S. Treasury securities which refers to Treasury notes and bonds, and would be set forth on Exhibit B to the proposed Restated Agreement, titled "FICC Eligible Products."

See footnote 12 and Exhibit A (CME Eligible Products) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

Supra note 2.

See Exhibit B (FICC Eligible Products) of the proposed Restated Agreement. In the Existing Agreement, certain Agencies are also included, but these products have been rarely used in the current arrangement and will not be carried into the proposed Restated Agreement. Specifically, the following FICC products will no longer be eligible for cross-margining with CME products: Treasury bills (maturity of one year or less) and Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS).

FICC and CME would each establish on their books and records a "Cross-Margining Account"²⁸ for each participating member that would identify for their respective member the transactions, positions and margin that are subject to the proposed Restated Agreement.²⁹

Proposal to Establish a Separate Service Level Agreement

The proposed Restated Agreement also would include provisions intended to improve the procedures, information sharing, and documented steps covering the default management process between the Parties. Specifically, under the proposed Restated Agreement, Section 6(a) (Daily Procedures for Exchange of Portfolio Cross-Margining Data), FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate service level agreement between the Parties ("SLA"), which would include specified timeframes, to exchange on each day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements (referred to as a "Business Day"), such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts and to calculate the Cross-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant.³⁰ The SLA would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. The Parties would update the SLA as their operational needs evolve over time.

Further, in order to streamline and ensure coordination between the Clearing Organizations regarding any changes to the products eligible for cross-margining, the SLA would include the process and criteria under which FICC or CME may make a request to the other Clearing Organization to modify its list of CME Eligible Products or FICC Eligible Products, as applicable. Such process would include that only those products that do not require a change to FICC's or CME's margin model would be permitted to be subject to this process.³¹ and that any modifications would require the mutual written consent of both Parties.

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Cross-Margining Account" means with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the transactions, positions and margin maintained in the Account (as defined in the GSD Rules) at FICC that are identified in FICC's books and records as being subject to the proposed Restated Agreement, and, with respect to a Clearing Member of CME, means a cross-margining account that is carried on the books of CME for such Clearing Member that is limited to the transactions, positions and margin of the Proprietary Accounts of such Clearing Member that are subject to the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 1, "Definitions." of the proposed Restated Agreement.

FICC provided the SLA in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010.

Proposed changes that require a margin model change would require an amendment to the proposed Restated Agreement and regulatory review and approval, as applicable.

The SLA would replace certain appendices³² to the Existing Agreement, which would no longer be applicable under the terms of the proposed Restated Agreement. Operational processes and related information would instead be incorporated into the SLA, which would reflect the process changes necessitated by the proposed changes to the calculation of the cross-margin requirements and loss sharing arrangements under the proposed Restated Agreement (described below).

Proposed Changes to the Calculation of Cross-Margin Requirements

The proposed Restated Agreement would adopt a different methodology applicable to the daily calculation of a Cross-Margining Participant's Cross-Margin Requirements. The purpose of the proposed changes is to expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to clearing members of GSD and CME under the Existing Agreement, thus reducing their margin costs and allowing for more efficient capital usage. This is because by including new Eligible Products, such as Ultras and 20-Year Treasury Futures, CME and FICC are able to reduce the risk exposure at more points of the interest rate curve. The greater margin efficiency is realized by using the security level sensitivity to calculate the VaR charge, instead of what is done today, which is to use the net market value of the Eligible Products in a similar maturity bucket. The proposed new methodology, which is based on offsetting Eligible Positions at FICC and CME, would also simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need to group securities by maturity and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products to facilitate such grouping.³³

The specific Appendices to be removed from the Existing Agreement in accordance with these proposed changes are: Appendix B (Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products); Appendix C1 (CME Calculation Process to Convert Eurodollar Futures and Options into Treasury Cash Equivalents and to Determine the Applicable CME Offset Classes); Appendix C2 (Conversion of Futures Contracts into Treasury Equivalents); Appendix F (Methodology for Allocation of Margin Based on Order of Increasing Disallowances); Appendix G (Computation of Cross-Margin Reduction); Appendix H (Data Elements to Be Provided by CME and Returned by FICC); Appendix I (Loss Sharing Process); Appendix J (Examples of Loss Sharing Process); and Appendix K (Timing of the Effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty). See Existing Agreement, supra note 2.

Grouping securities by maturity along with the conversion of products may, in some cases, previously have resulted in overestimating the margin credit that should be provided to a Cross-Margining Participant because such grouping and conversion of products is less precise than measuring risk at the individual security level. However, such overestimation of margin credit is no longer an issue under the Existing Agreement, as it has been previously addressed by FICC through a process of daily surveillance in which any instances of any excess margin credits are identified and remediated, prior to submission to the Cross-Margining Participant of their margin reduction amount. FICC provided its assessment of the excess margin credit issue as well as a description of how it remediated the issue in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010.

Under the Existing Agreement in order to determine the amount of margin it collects, each Clearing Organization separately manages its own positions and collateral, and independently determines the "Residual Margin Amount" that remains after each Clearing Organization conducts its own internal offsets.³⁴This process requires each Clearing Organization to apply Offset Classes and convert its Eligible Products into equivalent Eligible Products of the other Clearing Organization. The proposed Restated Agreement, in contrast, would provide that FICC and CME each treat a participant's relevant products as a single portfolio (the "Combined Portfolio").³⁵ Treatment as a Combined Portfolio provides the ability for the Clearing Organizations to assess risk at a security level and eliminates the need to use separate margin calculations and apply offset classes and conversions of Eligible Products.

The proposed Restated Agreement would provide that FICC and CME would independently determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived for a Cross-Margining Account³⁶ as if it was a Combined Portfolio. First, pursuant to Section 4(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement, each Clearing Organization would calculate the difference between the sum of the (x) "Stand-Alone Margin Requirements"³⁷ for the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products, and (y) the Combined Portfolio of CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products. Based on the above, each Clearing Organization would determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived by it by margining the Combined Portfolio.

Second, the Clearing Organizations would compare their respective margin savings percentages with one another, and, if the lesser of such margin savings percentage exceeds the minimum margin offset threshold³⁸ agreed by the Clearing Organizations, each Clearing

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 2.

See Section 4(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Calculation of Cross-Margining Requirements).

Id. Also, FICC would utilize the same Value-at Risk ("VaR") calculation method for the FICC Eligible Positions (see GSD Rule 4, supra note 2) and the CME Eligible Position (i.e., the same VaR engine for the cash positions and the futures positions).

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Stand-Alone Margin Requirement" means, as to each Clearing Organization, the margin requirement that such Clearing Organization would calculate with respect to a Cross-Margining Account it carries as if calculated by such Clearing Organization without regard to this Agreement or another cross-margining agreement." FICC would calculate this requirement using a its VaR methodology, applying it also to the standalone CME portfolio, and the Combined Portfolio.

The Clearing Organizations would set the initial margin offset threshold at 1% (which may be subject to change) to prevent any negatively correlated portfolios and/or portfolios with little to no correlation to receive cross-margin benefit, which requires the operational coordination between the two Clearing Organizations in the event of Member

Organization would reduce the amount of margin required to be deposited by a Cross-Margining Participant by the lower of such margin savings percentages (referred to as the Cross-Margining Participant's "Margin Reduction"). If the respective margin savings percentages of both Clearing Organizations are less than the agreed upon margin offset threshold, no Margin Reduction would be applied.³⁹

Lastly, the Parties would agree that the Cross-Margin Requirement with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant may not be changed without the consent of both Clearing Organizations. Further, CME and FICC would agree to cause CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products, respectively, to be cross-margined solely pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, and neither CME nor FICC would permit such Eligible Products to be subject to any other cross-margining arrangement. This feature will prevent underlying Eligible Products from being double-counted to reduce margin in another cross-margining program or account, and ensure that each Clearing Organization will have the appropriate amount of margin to satisfy obligations if a default occurs.

Proposed Changes Related to Default Management

1. The Liquidation Process -- Overview

Like the Existing Agreement, the proposed Restated Agreement would provide that either FICC or CME may at any time exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of a Cross-Margining Participant (a "Defaulting Member"). Upon such event (a "Default Event"), the Clearing Organization that has taken the foregoing actions (referred to as the "Liquidating CO") would be required to immediately notify the other Clearing Organization (referred to for purposes of this provision of the proposed Restated Agreement as the "other Clearing Organization") of the actions it has taken. Under the Existing Agreement, absent certain exceptions, both Clearing Organizations are required to promptly and prudently liquidate Eligible Positions of the Defaulting Member. However, in contrast to the Existing Agreement, the proposed Restated Agreement would provide a different approach to the liquidation process by delineating a sequence of coordinated steps the Clearing Organizations are required to take depending upon whether or not the other Clearing Organization elects to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member under its

default, and they would reserve the right to amend the threshold from time to time. Changes to the minimum margin offset threshold would be subject the requirements of the Clearing Agency Model Risk Management Framework, which addresses review of margin methodologies, such as the model that would be used for the proposed Restated Agreement.

Supra note 34.

^{40 &}lt;u>See Section 4(b) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Calculation of Cross-Margining Requirements).</u>

See Section 7(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Suspension and Liquidation of Cross-Margining Participant).

Rules. The objective of this proposed new approach is to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management process and lead to greater coordination between the Clearing Organizations.

2. One Clearing Organization Elects to Treat the Member as a Defaulting Member and the other Clearing Organization does not

The proposed Restated Agreement includes provisions to cover the scenario where one Clearing Organization (the "Liquidating CO") elects to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member, and the other Clearing Organization (the Non-Liquidating CO") does not.^{42.} Generally, the Non-Liquidating CO would provide the Liquidating CO with cash to cover the margin reduction provided under the proposed Restated Agreement. The purpose of such cash payment is to align the Defaulting Member's margin resources with its exposures at the Liquidating CO.

Specifically, the Non-Liquidating CO would be obligated to require the Defaulting Member to pay the Non-Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the sum of (x) its Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO, and (y) its Margin Reduction at the Non-Liquidating CO, within one hour of demand. If the Non-Liquidating CO receives this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, such as from the Non-Liquidating CO, within such timeframe, the Non-Liquidating CO would be required, within one hour of such receipt, to pay the Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the Defaulting Member's Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO. After the Non-Liquidating CO makes such payment in full, then, it would have no further obligations to the Liquidating CO with respect to the Default Event. If the Non-Liquidating CO does not receive this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, within one hour of such receipt or other agreed upon timeframe, then the Non-Liquidating CO would cease to act for the Defaulting Member, and the provisions of the proposed Restated Agreement pertaining to the scenario where both Clearing Organizations treat the Member as a Defaulting Member (discussed immediately below) would apply.⁴³

3. Both Clearing Organizations Elect to Treat the Member as a Defaulting Member

If both Clearing Organizations determine to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member, there are three possible liquidation routes under the proposed Restated Agreement the Clearing Organizations can take regarding a Defaulting Member. The following liquidation alternatives would be determined after evaluating the portfolio exposure, resources, hedging cost and approved through DTCC's default management governance process.

⁴³ Id.

^{42 &}lt;u>Id.</u>

First, the Clearing Organizations would attempt in good faith to conduct a joint liquidation in which the Parties jointly transfer, liquidate or close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts carried for the Defaulting Member (the "Relevant Positions").⁴⁴

Second, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, the proposed Restated Agreement provides that either Clearing Organization may offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions, and any remaining collateral relating thereto, at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made.⁴⁵

Finally, if a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to the first or second options above, the proposed Restated Agreement provides that it shall so notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization would promptly transfer, liquidate or otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization. 46

Each of the foregoing liquidation routes is described in detail below.

a. *Joint Liquidation*

A joint liquidation is optimal because it maximizes the efficiency and effectiveness of the liquidation process by enabling each Clearing Organization to recognize reduced risk by liquidating offsetting risk positions together. To the extent there is a joint liquidation, the proposed Restated Agreement provides for an exchange of variation margin during the course of the liquidation and loss sharing following liquidation. The exchange of variation margin during the liquidation process would be designed to address scenarios in which either CME or FICC has a payment obligation arising out of cross-margin positions that could be covered by the variation margin gains on offsetting cross-margin positions held by the other Clearing Organization. The Existing Agreement has no such provisions, and they would be added to the proposed Restated Agreement to improve the efficiency of the default management process. Following liquidation, payments made as part of a cross-guaranty between FICC and CME would be designed to minimize total credit losses across the Clearing Organizations related to cross-margin positions. The Existing Agreement also includes a cross-guaranty and loss-sharing provisions but is determined based upon a significantly more complex formula for calculating closeout gains and losses post-liquidation than are included in the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(b)(i) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(b)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(b)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

VM Margin: The exchange of Variation Margin⁴⁷ during the joint liquidation process under certain circumstances would be as follows:

• If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain⁴⁸ and an Other VM Gain⁴⁹ with respect to a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Payor"), and the other Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Receiver"), the proposed Restated Agreement provides that the VM Payor would make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Cross-Margin VM Gain. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the VM Payor will not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in a loss to it following

- The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Cross-Margin VM Gain" or "Cross-Margin VM Loss" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC. See Section 1 (Definitions) of the proposed Restated Agreement.
- The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Other VM Gain" or "Other VM Loss" to mean, (x) with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to FICC due to the Funds-Only Settlement payments (as defined in the GSD Rules) arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the portion of the Defaulting Member's GSD Accounts that does not include the positions in the Cross-Margining Account at FICC; and (y) with respect to a Defaulting Member of CME, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to CME arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the positions (excluding positions in IRS Contracts (as defined under CME's Rules)) or positions that are commingled with positions in IRS Contracts pursuant to CME Rule 8G831 in the Defaulting Member's accounts (but excluding its Cross-Margining Account) at CME. See Section 1 "Definitions" of the proposed Restated Agreement.

The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Variation Margin" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC from the time immediately prior to a Default Event until the time the liquidation of a Defaulting Member is complete for both CME and FICC. See Section 1 (Definitions) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

liquidation⁵⁰ or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment.⁵¹

- If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Payor") and the sum of these amounts is positive (hereinafter "Aggregate VM Gain"), and the other Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Receiver"), the proposed Restated Agreement provides that the VM Payor will make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Aggregate VM Gain unless the Clearing Organizations otherwise agree that the VM Payor shall pay a higher amount. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the VM Payor will not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in a loss to it following liquidation or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment. 52
- If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member and the sum of these two amounts is negative, and the other Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to the Defaulting Member, the proposed Restated Agreement states that neither Clearing Organization will be required to make a payment unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.⁵³

Following the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, the VM Receiver must repay any variation margin payments it received from the VM Payor.⁵⁴ Such repayment obligation, however, shall be netted and offset against the VM Payor's payment obligation pursuant to the loss sharing provisions in Section 7 of the Agreement, discussed immediately below.⁵⁵

⁵⁰ See discussion of "Net Loss" below.

See Section 7(c)(v)(1) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(c)(v)(2) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

 $[\]underline{\text{See}}$ Section 7(c)(v)(3) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

A VM Receiver will only be required to pay such amount to the VM Payor if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

See Section 7(c)(vi) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

Loss Sharing: The sharing of losses following a joint liquidation would be calculated under the proposed Restated Agreement as follows:

- Each Clearing Organization would calculate its individual "Net Gain" or individual "Net Loss," if any, taking into account solely its individual "Collateral on Hand" and its individual "Liquidation Cost." These terms have specific meanings in the proposed Restated Agreement as follows:
 - The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Net Gain" or "Net Loss" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member held at a Clearing Organization, the sum of the (i) Collateral on Hand; and (ii) Liquidation Cost. If such amount is a positive number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Gain" with respect to the relevant account and if such amount is a negative number, a "Net Loss." ⁵⁶
 - O The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Collateral on Hand" to mean the margin held with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member immediately prior to the time at which the Default Event occurred.⁵⁷
 - The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Liquidation Cost" to mean the aggregate gain or loss realized in the liquidation, transfer, or management of Eligible Positions held by the Clearing Organization in the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, including, without limitation, (i) any Variation Margin⁵⁸ owed to the Defaulting Member by the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute gains); (ii) any Variation Margin owed by the Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute losses); and (iii) any reasonable costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Clearing Organization in connection therewith.⁵⁹

The Clearing Organizations would determine whether the sum of the individual Net Gains and Net Losses results in a combined Net Gain or Net Loss. The Clearing Organizations would then allocate any combined Net Gain or Net Loss *pro rata* based on each Clearing

Supra note 29.

⁵⁷ <u>Id</u>.

The exchange of Variation Margin during a joint liquidation is discussed above.

Supra note 29.

Organization's "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" (its "Allocated Net Gain" or "Allocated Net Loss," as applicable). 61

If a Clearing Organization has an individual Net Gain that is less than its Allocated Net Gain, an individual Net Loss that is greater than its Allocated Net Loss or an individual Net Loss when the joint liquidation resulted in a combined Net Gain (the "worse-off party") then the other Clearing Organization shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the difference between the worse-off party's individual Net Gain or Net Loss and its Allocated Net Gain and Allocated Net Loss.⁶²

b. Buy-Out

As noted above, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating, or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, for example if a Member's portfolio has changed materially since the last cross margin calculation, any Clearing Organization ("X") may, upon written notice to the other Clearing Organization ("Y"), offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made and any remaining collateral relating thereto from Y (which Y may accept or reject in its sole discretion). The value of the remaining collateral would reflect the last available price based on market conditions, which for FICC, would be obtained from its pricing vendor(s). Upon reviewing exposures of the defaulter's portfolio, the hedge or risk reduction that may be achieved through a buy-out and comparing the results to the available risk budget, or defaulter's margin, an economic decision would be made in consideration of a separate liquidation option. If such a buy-out occurs, then Y shall have no further obligations to X with respect to the Default Event. For the avoidance of doubt, the loss sharing provisions set forth in Default Management section of the Agreement would not apply.⁶³

c. Separate Liquidations

If a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to a joint liquidation or a buy-out, it would notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization shall promptly transfer, liquidate or

Under the proposed Restated Agreement, the "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" in respect of a Clearing Organization is the ratio of (i) the margin required for the Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization after taking into account the Margin Reduction to (ii) the total Cross-Margining Requirement across both Clearing Organizations.

See Section 7(c)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

^{62 &}lt;u>See Section 7(c)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

See Section 7(b)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization.⁶⁴

The loss sharing provisions that would be applicable under this separate liquidation scenario would be as follows:

- If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, both Clearing Organizations have a Net Gain or a Net Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8 and 9 of the proposed Restated Agreement.⁶⁵
- If either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (the "worse-off party") and the other has a Net Gain (the "better-off party"), then the better-off party will pay the worse-off party the lesser of the Net Gain or the absolute value of the Net Loss. 66

The proposed Restated Agreement would not retain language included in the Existing Agreement covering the fact that each Clearing Organization's calculation of Available Margin (as defined in the Existing Agreement) for loss sharing purposes is subject to such Clearing Organization's prior satisfaction of its obligations under the other cross-margining agreements and loss sharing arrangements that it may have listed on Appendix A.⁶⁷ FICC and the CME are proposing to eliminate this priority which means that all margin amounts calculated pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement would be available to cover a Clearing Organization's losses. As a result of this change, the proposed Restated Agreement would not include the priority provision nor the related Appendix A.

Other Terms of the Proposed Restated Agreement

The proposed Restated Agreement also would continue to include a number of other provisions intended to either generally maintain the usual and customary terms for an agreement of this type included in the Existing Agreement or update them to better reflect the Clearing Organizations' course of dealing and industry practices. For example, similar to the Existing

See Section 7(b)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

^{65 &}lt;u>See Section 7(d) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

See Sections 7(e) and (f) of the proposed Restated Agreement. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the better-off party shall only be required to pay the amount of such Net Loss to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

See Appendix A to the Existing Agreement: (1) with respect to the CME, the cross-margining agreement between the CME, The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") and New York Clearing Corporation dated June 1993 as amended from time to time; and (2) with respect to FICC, the multilateral netting contract and limited cross-guaranty agreement among The Depository Trust Company, FICC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and OCC dated January 1, 2003, supra note 2.

Agreement, ⁶⁸ the proposed Restated Agreement would include a confidentiality provision reflecting each Clearing Organization's obligation not to disclose to a third-party the other Clearing Organization's Confidential Information except under certain circumstances. Under the proposed Restated Agreement, this provision would be updated to reflect that the Clearing Organizations' confidentiality obligations would survive three (3) years after the termination of the proposed Restated Agreement. In addition, this provision would state that an actual or threatened violation by a Clearing Organization of its confidentiality obligations would entitle the other Clearing Organization to seek immediate injunctive and other equitable relief, without the necessity of proving monetary damages or posting bond or other security. The updated confidentiality provision included in the proposed Restated Agreement (Section 10, Confidentiality) would replace the similar provision in the Existing Agreement.

Additionally, the proposed Restated Agreement would retain the indemnification provision included in the Existing Agreement, but for purposes of clarity and simplification, would revise the language in that section that describes the administrative process between the Clearing Organizations regarding notification and control of the defense of an indemnification claim.⁶⁹

The proposed Restated Agreement would include some revisions to the language in the Existing Agreement and would add a provision covering the limitation of liability between FICC and CME. Specifically, a clause would be added to provide that, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, and other than with respect to a Clearing Organization's breach of its confidentiality obligations, in no case would either Clearing Organization be liable to the other for any indirect, consequential, incidental, punitive, exemplary or special damages. The purpose of this new provision is to provide clear and specific terms regarding each Clearing Organization's potential liability to the other for these types of damages under the proposed Restated Agreement.

The proposed Restated Agreement would add certain usual and customary provisions for an agreement of this type that are not contained in the Existing Agreement, including that (i) no remedy conferred by any provision of the proposed Restated Agreement is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy,⁷¹ (ii) no provision is intended, expressly or by implication, to purport to confer a benefit or right of action upon a third-party,⁷² and (iii) each Clearing Organization waives any right it may have to a trial by jury with respect to any litigation directly or indirectly arising out of, under or in connection with the proposed Restated

See Section 9 of the Existing Agreement, "Confidentiality," supra note 2.

⁶⁹ See Section 12(c) (Indemnification) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

No. 17 (Liability) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

⁷¹ See Section 18(1) (Remedies Not Exclusive) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

⁷² <u>See Section 18(m) (No Third-Party Beneficiaries) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

Agreement, or transactions contemplated by it.⁷³ Also, the proposed Restated Agreement would include updates to the relevant FICC and CME contacts to whom notices would be directed.

In order to simplify and improve its structure, the proposed Restated Agreement would consolidate into a new separate section,⁷⁴ language addressing the fact that the proposed Restated Agreement, together with GSD Rules, CME Rules, the Clearing Member Agreement and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof is, for purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. §§ 4401-4407) a "netting contract." This same language is currently included in the Existing Agreement but is broken out across multiple sections. This provision would also state that "all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations;" and for purposes of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act is considered a "master netting agreement" with respect to some or all of "swap agreements," "commodity contracts," "forward contracts," and "securities contracts."

Further, the proposed Restated Agreement would remove the arbitration clause included in the Existing Agreement in its entirety. Instead, the proposed Restated Agreement would add language to the Governing Law provision stating disputes under the agreement would be resolved in the federal or state courts located in New York, New York, including the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. FICC believes that New York venue and forum are appropriate because New York courts can more efficiently and effectively adjudicate disputes arising under an agreement governed by New York law. In addition, New York venue and forum is generally consistent with FICC's current approach to dispute management.

B. Delayed Implementation of the Proposal

The proposed rule change would become operative within 180 business days after the later date of the Securities and Exchange Commission's (the "Commission") approval of this proposed rule change, and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's approval of the CME's proposed rule change (collectively, the "Date of Regulatory Approval"). Not later than two (2) business days following the date of the Commission's approval of this proposed rule

⁷³ See Section 18(n) (Waiver of Jury Trial) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 11 (FDICIA) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

⁷⁵ <u>Id</u>.

See Section 16 of the Existing Agreement, "Arbitration," supra note 2.

⁷⁷ <u>See Section 18(c) (Governing Law) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

change, FICC would add a legend to the proposed Restated Agreement to state that the specified changes are approved but not yet operative. The legend would also include the file numbers of the approved proposed rule change, and would state that once operative, the legend would automatically be removed from the proposed Restated Agreement. FICC will issue a notice to members providing notice of the specific operative date at least two weeks prior to such date.

(b) Statutory Basis

FICC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")⁷⁸ and the rules thereunder applicable to FICC. Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act, requires, in part, that the rules of a clearing agency be designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody or control of the clearing agency or for which it is responsible. 79 FICC is proposing to replace the Existing Agreement with the proposed Restated Agreement. As described in the discussion of the proposed changes to the calculation of cross-margin requirements above, the proposed Restated Agreement would, among other things, revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated. As such, FICC believes that the proposed rule change would assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody and control of FICC or for which it is responsible.⁸⁰

In addition, as described in the discussion of a joint liquidation above, the proposed Restated Agreement would enhance the efficiency of the default management process between FICC and CME by providing for the exchange of Variation Margin under certain circumstances during the course of a liquidation and by improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management and loss sharing process. By enhancing these processes, FICC believes that overall default losses could be minimized and thereby reduce the potential risk to non-defaulting members. As such, FICC believes that the proposed rule change would assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody and control of FICC or for which it is responsible.

Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act requires, among other things, that the rules of a clearing agency be designed to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a national system

⁷⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁷⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁸⁰ Id.

for the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.⁸¹ FICC believes that the proposal is consistent with this requirement for the following reasons.

First, the proposal to amend the list of CME products that would be eligible for cross-margining would expand the potential opportunity for cross-margin benefits that Cross-Margining Participants receive.

Second, the removal of the operational details to an SLA would streamline the proposed Restated Agreement by removing information that may not be relevant to the Cross-Margining Participants and would place this information in a separate document that the Clearing Organizations can more easily amend as their operational needs evolve.

Third, the proposal to amend the margin calculation would simplify the calculation and provide transparency.

Fourth, the proposed liquidation procedures and loss sharing arrangements would provide transparency into the steps that the Clearing Organizations would take during a liquidation and how gains and losses would be allocated.

Fifth, the revisions to various provisions throughout the proposed Restated Agreement would update provisions to ensure that they are reflective of the current standards and industry practices that each Clearing Organization adheres to in the ordinary course of business.

As such, given the foregoing, FICC believes that the proposed rule change is designed to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a national system for the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.⁸²

Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) under the Act requires a covered clearing agency to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market. ⁸³ As described above, the proposed Restated Agreement would revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated and reduce the complexity of the calculations. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers,

^{81 &}lt;u>Id</u>.

^{82 &}lt;u>Id</u>.

^{83 17} CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).⁸⁴

As described above in the discussion of a joint liquidation, FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate SLA, which would include specified timeframes, to exchange on each Business Day, such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Account and to calculate the Cross-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant. The SLA would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. By agreeing to share certain information as described herein, FICC believes that each Clearing Organization would be able to effectively identify, monitor, and manage risks that may be presented by the proposed Restated Agreement. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to identify, monitor, and manage risks related to the link established between FICC and CME in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act.⁸⁵

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

FICC believes that the proposed rule change to replace the Existing Agreement with the Restated Agreement could have an impact on competition. Specifically, FICC believes that the proposed changes could both burden and promote competition because the margin savings for the Cross-Margining Participants (and therefore their margin requirements) would change under the proposed Restated Agreement. As noted in the Executive Summary in Item 3(a) above, the margin savings under the Existing Agreement range from 0.1% to 17.4%, whereas the study conducted by FICC under the proposed Restated Agreement showed margin savings in the range of 0% to 36.6%. Some Cross-Margining Participants could see an increase in margin savings under the proposed rule change and some could see a decrease in margin savings under the proposed rule change. When the proposal results in decreased margin savings and therefore higher margin requirements, the proposed rule change could burden competition for Cross-Margining Participants that have lower operating margins or higher costs of capital compared to other Members. When the proposal results in higher margin savings and therefore lower margin requirements, the proposed rule change could promote competition by resulting in lower operating costs and capital efficiencies for Cross-Margining Participants. FICC does not believe that these impacts are significant because based on FICC's analysis, the proposal would not result in a significant change to the average margin requirement of Cross-Margining Participants.

Regardless of whether the burden on competition discussed above could be deemed significant, FICC believes that any related burden on competition would be necessary and appropriate, as permitted by Section 17A(b)(3)(I) of the Act, for the following reasons.⁸⁶

^{84 &}lt;u>Id</u>.

^{85 17} CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(20).

⁸⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(I).

FICC believes that any burden on competition would be necessary in furtherance of the Act, specifically Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act. As stated above, the proposed Restated Agreement, would, among other things, revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposure. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated. Therefore, FICC believes this proposed change is consistent with the requirements of Section17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act, which requires that the Rules be designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds that are in FICC's custody or control or for which it is responsible.

FICC believes the proposed rule change would also support FICC's compliance with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) under the Act, which requires a covered clearing agency to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated and would reduce the complexity of the calculations. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

FICC also believes the proposed rule change would support FICC's compliance with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act. Pecifically, as described above, FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate SLA, which would cover information exchange between the two parties and would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. By agreeing to the SLA, FICC believes that it would be able to effectively identify, monitor, and manage risks that may be presented by the proposed Restated Agreement. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to identify, monitor, and manage risks related to the link established between FICC and CME in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act.

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<sup>87</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).
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^{88 &}lt;u>Id.</u>

⁸⁹ 17 C.F.R. 240.17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

⁹⁰ Id.

⁹¹ 17 C.F.R. 240.17Ad-22(e)(20).

⁹² Id.

FICC believes that the above-described burden on competition that could be created by the proposed changes would be appropriate in furtherance of the Act because such changes have been appropriately designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody or control of FICC or for which it is responsible, as described in detail above. The proposed Restated Agreement has been designed to allow FICC to recognize the offsetting value of positions maintained by Cross-Margining Participants at the two Clearing Organizations for margin purposes by using a risk-based margining approach that would produce margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio and market. As such, by enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes the proposal is appropriately designed to meet its risk management goals and its regulatory obligations.

Therefore, as described above, FICC believes the proposed changes are necessary and appropriate in furtherance of FICC's obligations under the Act, specifically Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act⁹³ and Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) and Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act.⁹⁴

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

FICC has not received or solicited any written comments relating to this proposal. If any written comments are received, they will be publicly filed as an Exhibit 2 to this filing, as required by Form 19b-4 and the General Instructions thereto. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that, according to Section IV (Solicitation of Comments) of the Exhibit 1A in the General Instructions to Form 19b-4, the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. Commenters should submit only information that they wish to make available publicly, including their name, email address, and any other identifying information.

All prospective commenters should follow the Commission's instructions on how to submit comments, available at https://www.sec.gov/regulatory-actions/how-to-submitcomments. General questions regarding the rule filing process or logistical questions regarding this filing should be directed to the Main Office of the Commission's Division of Trading and Markets at tradingandmarkets@sec.gov or 202-551-5777. FICC reserves the right to not respond to any comments received.

6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

FICC does not consent to an extension of the time period specified in Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁹⁵ for Commission action.

⁹³ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁹⁴ 17 C.F.R. 240.Ad-22(e)(6)(i), (e)(20).

⁹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

- 7. Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)
 - (a) Not applicable.
 - (b) Not applicable.
 - (c) Not applicable.
 - (d) Not applicable.
- 8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

10. Advance Notice Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1 - Not applicable.

Exhibit 1A – Notice of proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>.

Exhibit 2 – Not applicable.

Exhibit 3 –

- Exhibit 3a May 19, 2022 submission of information to the Commission by FICC that includes responses to a Commission request for information. The exhibit provides responses specific to questions related to the conceptual review of margin reduction mechanics (e.g., the applicable margin model, impact of proposed changes), the potential effect on other margin add-on charges, and how FICC intends to model Treasury futures. *Omitted and filed separately with the Commission. Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3a pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.*
- Exhibit 3b August 3, 2022 submission of information, and supporting data, to the Commission by FICC, supplementing FICC's May 19, 2022 submission of information to the Commission, that includes responses to a Commission request for information and accompanying impact studies and margin methodology documentation. The exhibit provides responses specific to questions related to the minimum and maximum margin reduction thresholds, impact of the proposed

- changes to margin calculations, and model backtesting. Omitted and filed separately with the Commission. Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3b pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.
- Exhibit 3c April 3, 2023 submission of information to the Commission by FICC that includes responses to a Commission request for information and accompanying impact studies. *Omitted and filed separately with the Commission. Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3c pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.*
- Exhibit 3d May 26, 2023 submission of information to the Commission by FICC that includes responses to a Commission request for information and accompanying backtesting results, and June 8, 2023 submission of a response by FICC to follow-up questions from the Commission. *Omitted and filed separately with the Commission.* Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3d pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.
- Exhibit 3e FICC assessment from 2017 CME cross-margin model validation on model assumption. The exhibit pertains to the excess credit issue described in footnote 33 above and includes both the finding from the 2017 assessment as well as the remediation addressing that finding in 2018. *Omitted and filed separately with the Commission. Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3e pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.*
- Exhibit 3f Service Level Agreement between the Clearing Organizations in accordance with Section 6(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement. *Omitted and filed separately with the Commission. Confidential treatment of this Exhibit 3f pursuant to 17 CFR 240.24b-2 being requested.*
- Exhibit 3g Clean copy of Existing Agreement.
- Exhibit 3h Clean copy of proposed Restated Agreement.

Exhibit 4 – Not applicable.

Exhibit 5 – Proposed Restated Agreement (marked to reflect changes as compared to the Existing Agreement).

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change to Amend and Restate the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on July ___, 2023, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared 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 Change</u>

The proposed rule change consists of a proposed Amended and Restated Cross-Margining Agreement (the "Restated Agreement") between FICC and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME," collectively FICC and CME are referred to herein as the "Clearing Organizations" or "Parties"). The proposed Restated Agreement would replace the current Cross-Margining Agreement between the Parties (the "Existing Agreement")³ in its entirety and would be incorporated into the FICC Government

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 49003 (Dec. 29, 2003), 69 FR 712 (Jan. 6, 2004) (SR-FICC-2003-10). For subsequent amendments to the Existing Agreement, see Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 50790 (Dec. 3, 2004), 69 FR 71456 (Dec. 9, 2004) (SR-FICC-2004-16); 51178 (Feb. 9, 2005), 70 FR 7982

Securities Division ("GSD") Rulebook ("GSD Rules"). The proposed rule change does not require any changes to the text of the GSD Rules.⁴ The proposed Restated Agreement was attached to this filing as Exhibit 5.⁵

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

In its filing with the Commission, the clearing agency 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 the places specified in Item IV below. The clearing agency 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, the Proposed Rule Change</u>
 - 1. <u>Purpose</u>

Executive Summary

Generally, the purpose of a cross-margining arrangement between two clearing organizations is to recognize the offsetting value of positions maintained by a member (or

⁽Feb. 16, 2005) (SR-FICC-2005-03); 55217 (Jan. 31, 2007), 72 FR 5774 (Feb. 7, 2007) (SR-FICC-2006-16); 59498 (Mar. 4, 2009), 74 FR 10321 (Mar. 10, 2009) (SR-FICC-2009-01); 63986 (Feb. 28, 2011), 76 FR 12144 (Mar. 4, 2011) (SR-FICC-2010-09); and 72396 (June 16, 2014), 79 FR 35400 (June 20, 2014) (SR-FICC-2014-04).

The Existing Agreement is incorporated in the GSD Rules <u>available at</u> <u>www.dtcc.com/legal/rules-and-procedures.aspx</u>. Unless otherwise specified, capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the GSD Rules, which includes the Existing Agreement.

Proposed Amended and Restated Cross-Margining Agreement by Fixed Income Clearing Corporation and Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

a member and its affiliate) at the two clearing organizations for margin purposes. Any resulting margin reductions create capital efficiencies for common members.

With regard to its cross-margining arrangement with CME, FICC is proposing to replace the Existing Agreement with the Restated Agreement, which would be incorporated into the GSD Rules. The purpose of the proposed Restated Agreement is to expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to clearing members of the two Clearing Organizations under the Existing Agreement, thus reducing their margin costs and allowing for more efficient capital usage by members. It would also streamline the default management and loss sharing processes by making clear that a joint liquidation would be the preferred method used by the Clearing Organizations in the event of a member default.

The key aspects of the proposed Restated Agreement are as follows (and are described in more detail below):

 Member participation: Participation in the cross-margining arrangement would continue to be voluntary and the criteria for participation under the proposed Restated Agreement would remain the same as it is under the Existing Agreement.⁶

⁶ Currently cross-margining is only available for house (proprietary accounts) of CME clearing members that are also GSD Netting Members (either directly or through an affiliate).

- Eligible products: Additional CME products would become eligible under the proposed Restated Agreement,⁷ allowing for greater potential margin offsets.
- Agreement, would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes of securities and conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. As a result, FICC believes, based on portfolio specific construction and market conditions, that these changes should generate margin savings in excess of those under the Existing Agreement. For example, based on a study comparing margin savings generated under the Existing Agreement and under the proposed Restated Agreement over the December 1, 2021 to November 30, 2022 period, margin savings went from a range of 0.1% to 17.4% under the Existing Agreement, to a range of 0% to 36.6% under the proposed Restated Agreement.

OME will add products to the proposed Restated Agreement as discussed in more detail below.

References herein to "offset classes" refers to the grouping of securities by maturity for purposes of comparing those securities to CME Eligible Products whose price volatility is sufficiently correlated to determine whether long and short positions could be offset for purposes of determining margin requirements. Moving to security-level offsets would simplify the margin calculation process by removing the need to define and work with categories of securities.

The study covered fifteen current Cross-Margining Participants' actual eligible FICC portfolios and simulated CME futures portfolios. FICC notes that margin savings will vary based on portfolio specific construction and market conditions.

FICC notes, however, that cross-margining-related margin requirements account for only nineteen (19) percent of total margin requirements on average. FICC

Default management: Under the Existing Agreement, there is no express language requiring the Parties to attempt to conduct a joint liquidation. Whereas the proposed Restated Agreement would make clear that a joint liquidation is the preferred means of liquidation of cross-margining positions in the event of a member default. A joint liquidation is optimal because it maximizes the efficiency and effectiveness of the liquidation process by enabling each Clearing Organization to recognize reduced risk by offsetting risk positions together. The proposed Restated Agreement would also provide for the possible exchange of variation margin during the course of a joint liquidation. The exchange of variation margin during the course of a joint liquidation would be an improvement because instead of using other liquidity resources, it would enable a Party that has a markto-market loss arising out of cross-margining positions to use the variation margin gains on offsetting cross-margining positions held by the other Clearing Organization. The Existing Agreement has no such provisions and they would be added to improve the efficiency of the default management process.

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provided its analysis of the potential effects on margin requirements to the Commission in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010. FICC provided responses to specific questions raised by Commission staff with regard to the conceptual review of margin reduction mechanics (e.g., the applicable margin model, impact of proposed changes), the potential effect on other margin add-on charges, and how FICC intends to model Treasury futures. FICC also provided information pertaining to minimum and maximum margin reduction thresholds, potential effects of the proposed changes to margin calculations, and model backtesting.

FICC believes that the proposed expansion of the scope of CME Eligible Products (as defined below) available for cross-margining, the expansion of the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that would be available to Cross-Margining Participants, and the improvement in the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management process would enhance the cross-margining arrangement between FICC and CME. FICC believes that these enhancements would encourage greater utilization of centralized clearing, thereby facilitating systemic risk reduction.

Background

The Existing Agreement establishes a cross-margining arrangement¹² that allows FICC to consider the net risk of a participant's related eligible positions at FICC and CME when setting margin requirements of such positions.¹³

FICC proposes to enter into the proposed Restated Agreement which would, among other things, (i) generally expand the list of CME Eligible Products¹⁴ available for

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Cross-Margining Participant" means a Joint Clearing Member that has become, or a Clearing Member that is part of a pair of affiliated Clearing Members each of which has become, a participant in the cross-margining arrangement between FICC and CME established pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement. In the latter case, the term "Cross-Margining Participant" shall, where the context requires, refer collectively to the pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates.

¹² Cross-margining arrangements are addressed in GSD Rule 43, <u>supra</u> note 4.

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 4.

See Exhibit A of the proposed Restated Agreement, "CME Eligible Products."
 The CME Eligible Products are the following: CBT 26 2-year T-Note Futures,
 CBT 3YR 3-year T-Notes Futures, CBT 25 5-Year T-Note Futures, CBT 21 10-year T-Note Futures, CBT 17 U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures, CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TWE 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT 41 30 Day Federal Funds Futures,
 CME ED Eurodollar Futures, CME 1-Month Eurodollar Futures, CME SR1 One-

cross-margining; (ii) remove certain existing appendices to the Existing Agreement that describe operational calculations and margin examples, and instead establish procedures to be included in a separate service level agreement, including certain other processes covering default management and changes to the lists of CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products; (iii) revise and expand the scope and efficiency for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures; (iv) add provisions describing default management in terms of (x) what steps would be taken in the event of a joint or separate liquidation of Defaulting Member's Eligible Positions, and (y) the exchange between the Parties of "Variation Margin" during the course of a joint liquidation (as defined in the proposed Restated Agreement) and loss sharing; and (v) revise certain other provisions that relate to the Clearing Organizations' contractual obligations to one another.¹⁵

Month SOFR Futures, CME SR3 Three-Month SOFR Futures. <u>Id.</u> Of the foregoing, the following CME products would be newly eligible under the Restated agreement: CBT 3YR 3-year T-Notes Futures, CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures, CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT TWE 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, CBT 41 30 Day Federal Funds Futures, CME SR1 One-Month SOFR Futures, and CME SR3 Three-Month SOFR Futures. As noted above, certain Agency futures have not been used in the current arrangement and will not be carried into the proposed Restated Agreement. Specifically, the following CME products would no longer be eligible: the "Five Year Agency" and "Ten Year Agency" Futures identified in Appendix B of the Existing Agreement.

These provisions include, but are not limited to, the confidentiality provisions and removing the arbitration provision.

Key Terms of the Existing Agreement

For purposes of additional background, the following is an overview of the key terms of the Existing Agreement.

1. Daily Margin Calculation

Under the Existing Agreement, the cross-margining calculation is not based upon FICC's VaR model. Rather, FICC and CME each separately hold and manage its own positions and collateral and independently determine the amount of margin that it would make available for cross-margining (after they each first conduct their own internal offsets). Once each Business Day, FICC and CME exchange files with respect to their members' positions that are eligible for cross-margining. FICC computes the amount by which a member's margin requirement can be reduced, by comparing that member's Eligible Positions and related margin requirements at GSD against those at CME. FICC and CME may then each reduce the amount of collateral that they collect to reflect the offsets between the Cross-Margining Participant's positions at FICC and its (or its Affiliate's) positions at CME. ¹⁶ Currently, the calculation of the offsets each Clearing Organization applies relies upon a methodology for the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products, as well as the use of minimum margin factors to measure interest rate exposure.

Additionally, the Clearing Organizations limit the potential margin reductions from cross-margining. Specifically, they apply a Disallowance Factor to a given CME and GSD

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 4.

Offset Class (an "Offset Class" being a grouping of securities by maturity). ¹⁷ Based on these Disallowance Factors, margin offsets are determined for each Offset Class. The sum of these margin offsets provides the member's Cross-Margining Reduction) at CME and at GSD. ¹⁸

2. The Cross-Margining Guaranty and Reimbursement Obligation

As would also be the case under the proposed Restated Agreement, under the Existing Agreement, CME agrees to guaranty certain performance obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant to FICC, and FICC agrees to guaranty certain performance obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant to CME. These cross-margining Guaranties¹⁹ are necessary to facilitate the Cross-Margining Arrangement and represent contractual commitments that each Clearing Organization has to the other.²⁰ Specifically,

FICC and CME agree on the applicable Disallowance Factors from time to time. Examples of Disallowance Factor tables are included in Exhibit B of the Existing Agreement.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, FICC and CME unilaterally have the right to (1) not reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement by the Cross-Margining Reduction or (2) reduce it by less than the Cross-Margining Reduction. However, the Clearing Organizations may not reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement by more than the Cross-Margining Reduction. See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 4.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Guaranty" is defined as "the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, as in effect at a particular time with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement. The term "Guaranties" refers to both the Guaranty of CME to FICC and the Guaranty of FICC to CME [...]." See Section 1 of the Existing Agreement, "Definitions," supra note 4.

See Section 8A, "Guaranty of FICC to CME," and Section 8B "Guaranty of CME to FICC," of the Existing Agreement.

CME and FICC guarantee the Cross-Margining Participant's performance of its obligations to the other Clearing Corporation up to the amount of the member's Cross-Margining Reduction. There is also a corresponding obligation of the Cross-Margining Participant to reimburse a Clearing Organization for any amounts paid under these Guaranties, which obligation is collateralized by the positions and margin of such Cross-Margining Participant held by the guarantor (CME or FICC, as applicable). The provisions in the Existing Agreement covering the cross-margining Guaranties and the Cross-Margining Participant's Reimbursement Obligation would remain the same under the proposed Restated Agreement. Participant of the Cross-Margining Participant's Reimbursement Obligation would remain the same under

3. Member Default Event

Under the Existing Agreement, there is no express language requiring the CME and FICC to conduct a joint liquidation at each Clearing Organization. However, there is language that provides that unless one of the Parties has elected to not liquidate, FICC and CME are required to use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Cross-Margining Reduction" is defined as "the maximum amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's margin requirement at one Clearing Organization may be reduced (irrespective of the amount by which it is actually reduced) as calculated in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement. The Cross-Margining Reduction at each Clearing Organization is equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets at that Clearing Organization. There will always be a specified Cross-Margining Reduction that one Clearing Organization could be required to pay the other Clearing Organization. See Section 1 of the Existing Agreement, "Definitions," supra note 4.

The "Reimbursement Obligation" is defined under the Existing Agreement as "the obligation, as set forth in Section 7(h) of this Agreement, of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Guaranty."

positions covered by the Cross-Margining Arrangement so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously. ²³ There are also provisions covering the sharing of losses by CME and FICC in accordance with the terms of the cross-margining Guaranties. ²⁴ The allocation of losses depends upon whether, as to each Party, the liquidation results in a Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss. A narrative description of the loss sharing process is set forth in Appendix I of the Existing Agreement titled, "Loss Sharing Process." Additionally, after any payments are made pursuant to the Guaranties and loss sharing arrangement described above, if one of the Clearing Organizations computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, and the other an Aggregate Net Loss, the Existing Agreement includes an obligation for the Clearing Organization with the surplus to make a "Maximization Payment" to the other Clearing Organization.

There is also an associated "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation" of the

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Section 7(a) of the Existing Agreement, "Suspension and Liquidation of a Cross Margining Participant," states in pertinent part that, "Except to the extent that one Clearing Organization has determined unilaterally not to liquidate, FICC and CME shall use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the Used Positions so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously."

See Sections 8A, "Guaranty of FICC to CME" and 8B, "Guaranty of CME to FICC," of the Existing Agreement, supra note 4.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Payment" means the additional payment(s), if any, that are required to be made by FICC to CME, or vice versa, pursuant to Section 8C of this Agreement after payments are made under the Guaranty. See Section 8C of the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Payment," supra note 4.

Pursuant to the Existing Agreement, "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 8C(d), of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a Maximization Payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Maximization Payment Guaranty. <u>Id.</u>

Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a

Maximization Payment. This provision enables excess collateral of a Defaulting

Member to initially remain with the Clearing Organizations, if needed, to cover losses.

A. The Proposed Restated Agreement

Overview

As noted above, FICC proposes to enter into the proposed Restated Agreement with CME. The proposed Restated Agreement is primarily designed to, among other things, (i) expand the scope of CME Eligible Products, (ii) expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to Cross-Margining Participants, thus allowing for more efficient capital usage; (iii) improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management and loss sharing process; and (iv) as a result of such enhancements, further encourage greater utilization of centralized clearing, thereby facilitating systemic risk reduction. The material provisions of the proposed Restated Agreement are described in detail below.

Key Elements of the Proposed Restated Agreement

Proposal to Expand the list of CME Eligible Products

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, the list of CME products eligible for cross-margining would be amended to include an expanded list of interest rate futures that are cleared by CME.²⁷ Under the Existing Agreement, the interest rate futures and options contracts eligible for cross-margining are Eurodollar contracts listed on CME and certain U.S. Treasury contracts listed on the Chicago Board of Trade Incorporated

See footnote 12 and Exhibit A (CME Eligible Products) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

("CBOT").²⁸ FICC understands that the purpose of the change in CME Eligible Products is to provide Cross-Margining Participants cross-margin benefits that better align with today's CME Interest Rates futures market structure. The original list of CME's product set does not include several CME Interest Rate futures contracts which have now become benchmark products for hedging in the broader U.S. Treasury Markets, for example the CBT TN Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures and the CBT UBE Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures. The list would be expanded to include additional U.S. Treasury futures, which have been added to CME's suite of U.S. Treasury products since the Existing Agreement was established, and SOFR futures (which CME launched as a complement to and eventual replacement for Eurodollar futures). The list of FICC Eligible Products²⁹ would be comprised of U.S. Treasury securities which refers to Treasury notes and bonds, and would be set forth on Exhibit B to the proposed Restated Agreement, titled "FICC Eligible Products."

FICC and CME would each establish on their books and records a "Cross-Margining Account" for each participating member that would identify for their

Supra note 4.

See Exhibit B (FICC Eligible Products) of the proposed Restated Agreement. In the Existing Agreement, certain Agencies are also included, but these products have been rarely used in the current arrangement and will not be carried into the proposed Restated Agreement. Specifically, the following FICC products will no longer be eligible for cross-margining with CME products: Treasury bills (maturity of one year or less) and Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS).

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Cross-Margining Account" means with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the transactions, positions and margin maintained in the Account (as defined in the GSD Rules) at FICC that are identified in FICC's books and records as being subject to the proposed Restated Agreement, and, with respect to a Clearing Member of CME, means a cross-margining account that is carried on the books of CME for such Clearing Member that is limited to the transactions, positions and margin of the Proprietary

respective member the transactions, positions and margin that are subject to the proposed Restated Agreement.³¹

Proposal to Establish a Separate Service Level Agreement

The proposed Restated Agreement also would include provisions intended to improve the procedures, information sharing, and documented steps covering the default management process between the Parties. Specifically, under the proposed Restated Agreement, Section 6(a) (Daily Procedures for Exchange of Portfolio Cross-Margining Data), FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate service level agreement between the Parties ("SLA"), which would include specified timeframes, to exchange on each day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements (referred to as a "Business Day"), such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts and to calculate the Cross-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant.³² The SLA would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. The Parties would update the SLA as their operational needs evolve over time.

Further, in order to streamline and ensure coordination between the Clearing
Organizations regarding any changes to the products eligible for cross-margining, the

Accounts of such Clearing Member that are subject to the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 1, "Definitions." of the proposed Restated Agreement.

FICC provided the SLA in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010.

SLA would include the process and criteria under which FICC or CME may make a request to the other Clearing Organization to modify its list of CME Eligible Products or FICC Eligible Products, as applicable. Such process would include that only those products that do not require a change to FICC's or CME's margin model would be permitted to be subject to this process.³³ and that any modifications would require the mutual written consent of both Parties.

The SLA would replace certain appendices³⁴ to the Existing Agreement, which would no longer be applicable under the terms of the proposed Restated Agreement.

Operational processes and related information would instead be incorporated into the SLA, which would reflect the process changes necessitated by the proposed changes to the calculation of the cross-margin requirements and loss sharing arrangements under the proposed Restated Agreement (described below).

Proposed changes that require a margin model change would require an amendment to the proposed Restated Agreement and regulatory review and approval, as applicable.

The specific Appendices to be removed from the Existing Agreement in accordance with these proposed changes are: Appendix B (Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products); Appendix C1 (CME Calculation Process to Convert Eurodollar Futures and Options into Treasury Cash Equivalents and to Determine the Applicable CME Offset Classes); Appendix C2 (Conversion of Futures Contracts into Treasury Equivalents); Appendix F (Methodology for Allocation of Margin Based on Order of Increasing Disallowances); Appendix G (Computation of Cross-Margin Reduction); Appendix H (Data Elements to Be Provided by CME and Returned by FICC); Appendix I (Loss Sharing Process); Appendix J (Examples of Loss Sharing Process); and Appendix K (Timing of the Effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty). See Existing Agreement, supra note 4.

Proposed Changes to the Calculation of Cross-Margin Requirements

The proposed Restated Agreement would adopt a different methodology applicable to the daily calculation of a Cross-Margining Participant's Cross-Margin Requirements. The purpose of the proposed changes is to expand the scope and efficiency of the margin offsets that are available to clearing members of GSD and CME under the Existing Agreement, thus reducing their margin costs and allowing for more efficient capital usage. This is because by including new Eligible Products, such as Ultras and 20-Year Treasury Futures, CME and FICC are able to reduce the risk exposure at more points of the interest rate curve. The greater margin efficiency is realized by using the security level sensitivity to calculate the VaR charge, instead of what is done today, which is to use the net market value of the Eligible Products in a similar maturity bucket. The proposed new methodology, which is based on offsetting Eligible Positions at FICC and CME, would also simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need to group securities by maturity and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products to facilitate such grouping.³⁵

Under the Existing Agreement in order to determine the amount of margin it collects, each Clearing Organization separately manages its own positions and collateral,

Grouping securities by maturity along with the conversion of products may, in some cases, previously have resulted in overestimating the margin credit that should be provided to a Cross-Margining Participant because such grouping and conversion of products is less precise than measuring risk at the individual security level. However, such overestimation of margin credit is no longer an issue under the Existing Agreement, as it has been previously addressed by FICC through a process of daily surveillance in which any instances of any excess margin credits are identified and remediated, prior to submission to the Cross-Margining Participant of their margin reduction amount. FICC provided its assessment of the excess margin credit issue as well as a description of how it remediated the issue in a confidential Exhibit 3 to File No. SR-FICC-2023-010.

and independently determines the "Residual Margin Amount" that remains after each Clearing Organization conducts its own internal offsets. ³⁶ This process requires each Clearing Organization to apply Offset Classes and convert its Eligible Products into equivalent Eligible Products of the other Clearing Organization. The proposed Restated Agreement, in contrast, would provide that FICC and CME each treat a participant's relevant products as a single portfolio (the "Combined Portfolio"). ³⁷ Treatment as a Combined Portfolio provides the ability for the Clearing Organizations to assess risk at a security level and eliminates the need to use separate margin calculations and apply offset classes and conversions of Eligible Products.

The proposed Restated Agreement would provide that FICC and CME would independently determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived for a Cross-Margining Account³⁸ as if it was a Combined Portfolio. First, pursuant to Section 4(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement, each Clearing Organization would calculate the difference between the sum of the (x) "Stand-Alone Margin Requirements"³⁹ for the

See Section 5 of the Existing Agreement, "Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction," supra note 4.

See Section 4(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Calculation of Cross-Margining Requirements).

Id. Also, FICC would utilize the same Value-at Risk ("VaR") calculation method for the FICC Eligible Positions (see GSD Rule 4, supra note 4) and the CME Eligible Position (i.e., the same VaR engine for the cash positions and the futures positions).

Pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, "Stand-Alone Margin Requirement" means, as to each Clearing Organization, the margin requirement that such Clearing Organization would calculate with respect to a Cross-Margining Account it carries as if calculated by such Clearing Organization without regard to this Agreement or another cross-margining agreement." FICC

CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products, and (y) the Combined Portfolio of CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products. Based on the above, each Clearing Organization would determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived by it by margining the Combined Portfolio.

Second, the Clearing Organizations would compare their respective margin savings percentages with one another, and, if the lesser of such margin savings percentage exceeds the minimum margin offset threshold⁴⁰ agreed by the Clearing Organizations, each Clearing Organization would reduce the amount of margin required to be deposited by a Cross-Margining Participant by the lower of such margin savings percentages (referred to as the Cross-Margining Participant's "Margin Reduction"). If the respective margin savings percentages of both Clearing Organizations are less than the agreed upon margin offset threshold, no Margin Reduction would be applied.⁴¹

Lastly, the Parties would agree that the Cross-Margin Requirement with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant may not be changed without the consent of both Clearing Organizations. Further, CME and FICC would agree to cause CME Eligible Products and

would calculate this requirement using a its VaR methodology, applying it also to the standalone CME portfolio, and the Combined Portfolio.

The Clearing Organizations would set the initial margin offset threshold at 1% (which may be subject to change) to prevent any negatively correlated portfolios and/or portfolios with little to no correlation to receive cross-margin benefit, which requires the operational coordination between the two Clearing Organizations in the event of Member default, and they would reserve the right to amend the threshold from time to time. Changes to the minimum margin offset threshold would be subject the requirements of the Clearing Agency Model Risk Management Framework, which addresses review of margin methodologies, such as the model that would be used for the proposed Restated Agreement.

Supra note 36.

FICC Eligible Products, respectively, to be cross-margined solely pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement, and neither CME nor FICC would permit such Eligible Products to be subject to any other cross-margining arrangement.⁴² This feature will prevent underlying Eligible Products from being double-counted to reduce margin in another cross-margining program or account, and ensure that each Clearing Organization will have the appropriate amount of margin to satisfy obligations if a default occurs.

Proposed Changes Related to Default Management

1. The Liquidation Process -- Overview

Like the Existing Agreement, the proposed Restated Agreement would provide that either FICC or CME may at any time exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of a Cross-Margining Participant (a "Defaulting Member"). Upon such event (a "Default Event"), the Clearing Organization that has taken the foregoing actions (referred to as the "Liquidating CO") would be required to immediately notify the other Clearing Organization (referred to for purposes of this provision of the proposed Restated Agreement as the "other Clearing Organization") of the actions it has taken. Under the Existing Agreement, absent certain exceptions, both Clearing Organizations are required to promptly and prudently liquidate Eligible Positions of the Defaulting Member. However, in contrast to the Existing Agreement, the proposed Restated Agreement would provide a different approach to the liquidation process by delineating a sequence of coordinated steps the Clearing

^{42 &}lt;u>See Section 4(b) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Calculation of Cross-Margining Requirements).</u>

^{43 &}lt;u>See Section 7(a) of the proposed Restated Agreement (Suspension and Liquidation of Cross-Margining Participant).</u>

Organizations are required to take depending upon whether or not the other Clearing
Organization elects to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member
under its Rules. The objective of this proposed new approach is to improve the efficiency
and effectiveness of the default management process and lead to greater coordination
between the Clearing Organizations.

2. One Clearing Organization Elects to Treat the Member as a Defaulting Member and the other Clearing Organization does not

The proposed Restated Agreement includes provisions to cover the scenario where one Clearing Organization (the "Liquidating CO") elects to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member, and the other Clearing Organization (the Non-Liquidating CO") does not.^{44.} Generally, the Non-Liquidating CO would provide the Liquidating CO with cash to cover the margin reduction provided under the proposed Restated Agreement. The purpose of such cash payment is to align the Defaulting Member's margin resources with its exposures at the Liquidating CO.

Specifically, the Non-Liquidating CO would be obligated to require the Defaulting Member to pay the Non-Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the sum of (x) its Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO, and (y) its Margin Reduction at the Non-Liquidating CO, within one hour of demand. If the Non-Liquidating CO receives this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, such as from the Non-Liquidating CO, within such timeframe, the Non-Liquidating CO would be required, within one hour of such receipt, to pay the Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the Defaulting Member's Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO. After the Non-

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⁴⁴ Id.

Liquidating CO makes such payment in full, then, it would have no further obligations to the Liquidating CO with respect to the Default Event. If the Non-Liquidating CO does not receive this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, within one hour of such receipt or other agreed upon timeframe, then the Non-Liquidating CO would cease to act for the Defaulting Member, and the provisions of the proposed Restated Agreement pertaining to the scenario where both Clearing Organizations treat the Member as a Defaulting Member (discussed immediately below) would apply.⁴⁵

3. Both Clearing Organizations Elect to Treat the Member as a Defaulting Member

If both Clearing Organizations determine to treat the Cross-Margining Participant as a Defaulting Member, there are three possible liquidation routes under the proposed Restated Agreement the Clearing Organizations can take regarding a Defaulting Member. The following liquidation alternatives would be determined after evaluating the portfolio exposure, resources, hedging cost and approved through DTCC's default management governance process.

First, the Clearing Organizations would attempt in good faith to conduct a joint liquidation in which the Parties jointly transfer, liquidate or close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts carried for the Defaulting Member (the "Relevant Positions").⁴⁶

Second, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, the proposed

See Section 7(b)(i) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

^{45 &}lt;u>Id.</u>

Restated Agreement provides that either Clearing Organization may offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions, and any remaining collateral relating thereto, at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made.⁴⁷

Finally, if a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to the first or second options above, the proposed Restated Agreement provides that it shall so notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization would promptly transfer, liquidate or otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization.⁴⁸

Each of the foregoing liquidation routes is described in detail below.

a. *Joint Liquidation*

A joint liquidation is optimal because it maximizes the efficiency and effectiveness of the liquidation process by enabling each Clearing Organization to recognize reduced risk by liquidating offsetting risk positions together. To the extent there is a joint liquidation, the proposed Restated Agreement provides for an exchange of variation margin during the course of the liquidation and loss sharing following liquidation. The exchange of variation margin during the liquidation process would be designed to address scenarios in which either CME or FICC has a payment obligation arising out of cross-margin positions that could be covered by the variation margin gains on offsetting cross-margin positions held by the other Clearing Organization. The Existing Agreement has no such provisions, and they would be added to the proposed

See Section 7(b)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(b)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

Restated Agreement to improve the efficiency of the default management process.

Following liquidation, payments made as part of a cross-guaranty between FICC and CME would be designed to minimize total credit losses across the Clearing Organizations related to cross-margin positions. The Existing Agreement also includes a cross-guaranty and loss-sharing provisions but is determined based upon a significantly more complex formula for calculating closeout gains and losses post-liquidation than are included in the proposed Restated Agreement.

VM Margin: The exchange of Variation Margin⁴⁹ during the joint liquidation process under certain circumstances would be as follows:

• If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a

Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain50 and an Other VM

Gain51 with respect to a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization

The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Variation Margin" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC from the time immediately prior to a Default Event until the time the liquidation of a Defaulting Member is complete for both CME and FICC. See Section 1 (Definitions) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Cross-Margin VM Gain" or "Cross-Margin VM Loss" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC. See Section 1 (Definitions) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Other VM Gain" or "Other VM Loss" to mean, (x) with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to FICC due to the Funds-Only Settlement payments (as defined in the GSD Rules) arising from or related to the

being the "VM Payor"), and the other Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Receiver"), the proposed Restated Agreement provides that the VM Payor would make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Cross-Margin VM Gain. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the VM Payor will not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in a loss to it following liquidation⁵² or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment.⁵³

• If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a
Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM
Loss (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Payor") and the sum of
these amounts is positive (hereinafter "Aggregate VM Gain"), and the
other Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to

mark-to-market movement of the portion of the Defaulting Member's GSD Accounts that does not include the positions in the Cross-Margining Account at FICC; and (y) with respect to a Defaulting Member of CME, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to CME arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the positions (excluding positions in IRS Contracts (as defined under CME's Rules)) or positions that are commingled with positions in IRS Contracts pursuant to CME Rule 8G831 in the Defaulting Member's accounts (but excluding its Cross-Margining Account) at CME. See Section 1 "Definitions" of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See discussion of "Net Loss" below.

 $[\]frac{53}{2}$ See Section 7(c)(v)(1) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

a Defaulting Member (such Clearing Organization being the "VM Receiver"), the proposed Restated Agreement provides that the VM Payor will make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Aggregate VM Gain unless the Clearing Organizations otherwise agree that the VM Payor shall pay a higher amount. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the VM Payor will not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in a loss to it following liquidation or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment.⁵⁴

• If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a
Clearing Organization has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM
Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member and the sum of these two
amounts is negative, and the other Clearing Organization has a CrossMargin VM Loss with respect to the Defaulting Member, the proposed
Restated Agreement states that neither Clearing Organization will be
required to make a payment unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.⁵⁵

See Section 7(c)(v)(2) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

See Section 7(c)(v)(3) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

Following the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, the VM Receiver must repay any variation margin payments it received from the VM Payor.⁵⁶ Such repayment obligation, however, shall be netted and offset against the VM Payor's payment obligation pursuant to the loss sharing provisions in Section 7 of the Agreement, discussed immediately below.⁵⁷

Loss Sharing: The sharing of losses following a joint liquidation would be calculated under the proposed Restated Agreement as follows:

- Each Clearing Organization would calculate its individual "Net Gain" or individual "Net Loss," if any, taking into account solely its individual "Collateral on Hand" and its individual "Liquidation Cost." These terms have specific meanings in the proposed Restated Agreement as follows:
 - The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Net Gain" or "Net Loss" to mean, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member held at a Clearing Organization, the sum of the (i) Collateral on Hand; and (ii) Liquidation Cost. If such amount is a positive number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Gain" with respect to the relevant account and if such amount is a negative number, a "Net Loss." ⁵⁸

A VM Receiver will only be required to pay such amount to the VM Payor if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

^{57 &}lt;u>See Section 7(c)(vi) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

Supra note 31.

- The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Collateral on Hand" to mean the margin held with respect to the Cross-Margining
 Account of a Defaulting Member immediately prior to the time at which the Default Event occurred.⁵⁹
- The proposed Restated Agreement defines "Liquidation Cost" to mean the aggregate gain or loss realized in the liquidation, transfer, or management of Eligible Positions held by the Clearing Organization in the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, including, without limitation, (i) any Variation Margin owed to the Defaulting Member by the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute gains); (ii) any Variation Margin owed by the Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute losses); and (iii) any reasonable costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Clearing Organization in connection therewith.

The Clearing Organizations would determine whether the sum of the individual

Net Gains and Net Losses results in a combined Net Gain or Net Loss. The Clearing

Organizations would then allocate any combined Net Gain or Net Loss pro rata based on

The exchange of Variation Margin during a joint liquidation is discussed above.

⁵⁹ Id.

Supra note 31.

each Clearing Organization's "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" (its "Allocated Net Gain" or "Allocated Net Loss," as applicable). 63

If a Clearing Organization has an individual Net Gain that is less than its Allocated Net Gain, an individual Net Loss that is greater than its Allocated Net Loss or an individual Net Loss when the joint liquidation resulted in a combined Net Gain (the "worse-off party") then the other Clearing Organization shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the difference between the worse-off party's individual Net Gain or Net Loss and its Allocated Net Gain and Allocated Net Loss.⁶⁴

b. Buy-Out

As noted above, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating, or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, for example if a Member's portfolio has changed materially since the last cross margin calculation, any Clearing Organization ("X") may, upon written notice to the other Clearing Organization ("Y"), offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made and any remaining collateral relating thereto from Y (which Y may accept or reject in its sole discretion). The value of the remaining collateral would reflect the last available price based on market conditions, which for FICC, would be obtained from its pricing

Under the proposed Restated Agreement, the "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" in respect of a Clearing Organization is the ratio of (i) the margin required for the Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization after taking into account the Margin Reduction to (ii) the total Cross-Margining Requirement across both Clearing Organizations.

^{63 &}lt;u>See Section 7(c)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

See Section 7(c)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

vendor(s). Upon reviewing exposures of the defaulter's portfolio, the hedge or risk reduction that may be achieved through a buy-out and comparing the results to the available risk budget, or defaulter's margin, an economic decision would be made in consideration of a separate liquidation option. If such a buy-out occurs, then Y shall have no further obligations to X with respect to the Default Event. For the avoidance of doubt, the loss sharing provisions set forth in Default Management section of the Agreement would not apply.⁶⁵

c. <u>Separate Liquidations</u>

If a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to a joint liquidation or a buy-out, it would notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization shall promptly transfer, liquidate or otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization.⁶⁶

The loss sharing provisions that would be applicable under this separate liquidation scenario would be as follows:

• If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting

Member, both Clearing Organizations have a Net Gain or a Net Loss, no
payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the

Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8 and 9 of the
proposed Restated Agreement.⁶⁷

^{65 &}lt;u>See Section 7(b)(ii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

^{66 &}lt;u>See Section 7(b)(iii) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

See Section 7(d) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

• If either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (the "worse-off party") and the other has a Net Gain (the "better-off party"), then the better-off party will pay the worse-off party the lesser of the Net Gain or the absolute value of the Net Loss.⁶⁸

The proposed Restated Agreement would not retain language included in the Existing Agreement covering the fact that each Clearing Organization's calculation of Available Margin (as defined in the Existing Agreement) for loss sharing purposes is subject to such Clearing Organization's prior satisfaction of its obligations under the other cross-margining agreements and loss sharing arrangements that it may have listed on Appendix A.⁶⁹ FICC and the CME are proposing to eliminate this priority which means that all margin amounts calculated pursuant to the proposed Restated Agreement would be available to cover a Clearing Organization's losses. As a result of this change, the proposed Restated Agreement would not include the priority provision nor the related Appendix A.

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See Sections 7(e) and (f) of the proposed Restated Agreement. The proposed Restated Agreement provides, however, that the better-off party shall only be required to pay the amount of such Net Loss to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

See Appendix A to the Existing Agreement: (1) with respect to the CME, the cross-margining agreement between the CME, The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") and New York Clearing Corporation dated June 1993 as amended from time to time; and (2) with respect to FICC, the multilateral netting contract and limited cross-guaranty agreement among The Depository Trust Company, FICC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and OCC dated January 1, 2003, supra note 4.

Other Terms of the Proposed Restated Agreement

The proposed Restated Agreement also would continue to include a number of other provisions intended to either generally maintain the usual and customary terms for an agreement of this type included in the Existing Agreement or update them to better reflect the Clearing Organizations' course of dealing and industry practices. For example, similar to the Existing Agreement, 70 the proposed Restated Agreement would include a confidentiality provision reflecting each Clearing Organization's obligation not to disclose to a third-party the other Clearing Organization's Confidential Information except under certain circumstances. Under the proposed Restated Agreement, this provision would be updated to reflect that the Clearing Organizations' confidentiality obligations would survive three (3) years after the termination of the proposed Restated Agreement. In addition, this provision would state that an actual or threatened violation by a Clearing Organization of its confidentiality obligations would entitle the other Clearing Organization to seek immediate injunctive and other equitable relief, without the necessity of proving monetary damages or posting bond or other security. The updated confidentiality provision included in the proposed Restated Agreement (Section 10, Confidentiality) would replace the similar provision in the Existing Agreement.

Additionally, the proposed Restated Agreement would retain the indemnification provision included in the Existing Agreement, but for purposes of clarity and simplification, would revise the language in that section that describes the

See Section 9 of the Existing Agreement, "Confidentiality," supra note 4.

administrative process between the Clearing Organizations regarding notification and control of the defense of an indemnification claim.⁷¹

The proposed Restated Agreement would include some revisions to the language in the Existing Agreement and would add a provision covering the limitation of liability between FICC and CME. Specifically, a clause would be added to provide that, to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law, and other than with respect to a Clearing Organization's breach of its confidentiality obligations, in no case would either Clearing Organization be liable to the other for any indirect, consequential, incidental, punitive, exemplary or special damages. The purpose of this new provision is to provide clear and specific terms regarding each Clearing Organization's potential liability to the other for these types of damages under the proposed Restated Agreement.

The proposed Restated Agreement would add certain usual and customary provisions for an agreement of this type that are not contained in the Existing Agreement, including that (i) no remedy conferred by any provision of the proposed Restated Agreement is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy,⁷³ (ii) no provision is intended, expressly or by implication, to purport to confer a benefit or right of action upon a third-party,⁷⁴ and (iii) each Clearing Organization waives any right it may have to a trial by jury with respect to any litigation directly or indirectly arising out

See Section 12(c) (Indemnification) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

⁷² <u>See Section 17 (Liability) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

Not Exclusive See Section 18(1) (Remedies Not Exclusive) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

No Third-Party Beneficiaries of the proposed Restated Agreement.

of, under or in connection with the proposed Restated Agreement, or transactions contemplated by it.⁷⁵ Also, the proposed Restated Agreement would include updates to the relevant FICC and CME contacts to whom notices would be directed.

In order to simplify and improve its structure, the proposed Restated Agreement would consolidate into a new separate section, ⁷⁶ language addressing the fact that the proposed Restated Agreement, together with GSD Rules, CME Rules, the Clearing Member Agreement and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof is, for purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. §§ 4401-4407) a "netting contract." This same language is currently included in the Existing Agreement but is broken out across multiple sections. This provision would also state that "all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations;" and for purposes of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act is considered a "master netting agreement" with respect to some or all of "swap agreements," "commodity contracts," "forward contracts," and "securities contracts.",77

⁷⁵ <u>See Section 18(n) (Waiver of Jury Trial) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

⁷⁶ See Section 11 (FDICIA) of the proposed Restated Agreement.

⁷⁷ <u>Id</u>.

Further, the proposed Restated Agreement would remove the arbitration clause included in the Existing Agreement in its entirety. Instead, the proposed Restated Agreement would add language to the Governing Law provision stating disputes under the agreement would be resolved in the federal or state courts located in New York, New York, including the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. FICC believes that New York venue and forum are appropriate because New York courts can more efficiently and effectively adjudicate disputes arising under an agreement governed by New York law. In addition, New York venue and forum is generally consistent with FICC's current approach to dispute management.

B. Delayed Implementation of the Proposal

The proposed rule change would become operative within 180 business days after the later date of the Commission's approval of this proposed rule change, and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's approval of the CME's proposed rule change (collectively, the "Date of Regulatory Approval"). Not later than two (2) business days following the date of the Commission's approval of this proposed rule change, FICC would add a legend to the proposed Restated Agreement to state that the specified changes are approved but not yet operative. The legend would also include the file numbers of the approved proposed rule change, and would state that once operative, the legend would automatically be removed from the proposed Restated Agreement. FICC will issue a notice to members providing notice of the specific operative date at least two weeks prior to such date.

See Section 16 of the Existing Agreement, "Arbitration," supra note 4.

⁷⁹ <u>See Section 18(c) (Governing Law) of the proposed Restated Agreement.</u>

2. **Statutory Basis**

FICC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A of the Act⁸⁰ and the rules thereunder applicable to FICC. Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act, requires, in part, that the rules of a clearing agency be designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody or control of the clearing agency or for which it is responsible. 81 FICC is proposing to replace the Existing Agreement with the proposed Restated Agreement. As described in the discussion of the proposed changes to the calculation of cross-margin requirements above, the proposed Restated Agreement would, among other things, revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated. As such, FICC believes that the proposed rule change would assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody and control of FICC or for which it is responsible.⁸²

⁸⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁸¹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁸² Id.

In addition, as described in the discussion of a joint liquidation above, the proposed Restated Agreement would enhance the efficiency of the default management process between FICC and CME by providing for the exchange of Variation Margin under certain circumstances during the course of a liquidation and by improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the default management and loss sharing process. By enhancing these processes, FICC believes that overall default losses could be minimized and thereby reduce the potential risk to non-defaulting members. As such, FICC believes that the proposed rule change would assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody and control of FICC or for which it is responsible.

Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act requires, among other things, that the rules of a clearing agency be designed to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a national system for the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions. 83 FICC believes that the proposal is consistent with this requirement for the following reasons.

First, the proposal to amend the list of CME products that would be eligible for cross- margining would expand the potential opportunity for cross-margin benefits that Cross-Margining Participants receive.

Second, the removal of the operational details to an SLA would streamline the proposed Restated Agreement by removing information that may not be relevant to the Cross-Margining Participants and would place this information in a separate document that the Clearing Organizations can more easily amend as their operational needs evolve.

Id.

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Third, the proposal to amend the margin calculation would simplify the calculation and provide transparency.

Fourth, the proposed liquidation procedures and loss sharing arrangements would provide transparency into the steps that the Clearing Organizations would take during a liquidation and how gains and losses would be allocated.

Fifth, the revisions to various provisions throughout the proposed Restated Agreement would update provisions to ensure that they are reflective of the current standards and industry practices that each Clearing Organization adheres to in the ordinary course of business.

As such, given the foregoing, FICC believes that the proposed rule change is designed to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a national system for the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.⁸⁴

Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) under the Act requires a covered clearing agency to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market. 85 As described above, the proposed Restated Agreement would revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposures. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the

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⁸⁴ Id.

¹⁷ CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated and reduce the complexity of the calculations. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).⁸⁶

As described above in the discussion of a joint liquidation, FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate SLA, which would include specified timeframes, to exchange on each Business Day, such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Account and to calculate the Cross-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant. The SLA would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. By agreeing to share certain information as described herein, FICC believes that each Clearing Organization would be able to effectively identify, monitor, and manage risks that may be presented by the proposed Restated Agreement. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to identify, monitor, and manage risks related to the link established between FICC and CME in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act.⁸⁷

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<u>Id</u>.

⁸⁷ 17 CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(20).

(B) Clearing Agency's Statement on Burden on Competition

FICC believes that the proposed rule change to replace the Existing Agreement with the Restated Agreement could have an impact on competition. Specifically, FICC believes that the proposed changes could both burden and promote competition because the margin savings for the Cross-Margining Participants (and therefore their margin requirements) would change under the proposed Restated Agreement. As noted in the Executive Summary in Item 3(a) above, the margin savings under the Existing Agreement range from 0.1% to 17.4%, whereas the study conducted by FICC under the proposed Restated Agreement showed margin savings in the range of 0% to 36.6%. Some Cross-Margining Participants could see an increase in margin savings under the proposed rule change and some could see a decrease in margin savings under the proposed rule change. When the proposal results in decreased margin savings and therefore higher margin requirements, the proposed rule change could burden competition for Cross-Margining Participants that have lower operating margins or higher costs of capital compared to other Members. When the proposal results in higher margin savings and therefore lower margin requirements, the proposed rule change could promote competition by resulting in lower operating costs and capital efficiencies for Cross-Margining Participants. FICC does not believe that these impacts are significant because based on FICC's analysis, the proposal would not result in a significant change to the average margin requirement of Cross-Margining Participants.

Regardless of whether the burden on competition discussed above could be deemed significant, FICC believes that any related burden on competition would be

necessary and appropriate, as permitted by Section 17A(b)(3)(I) of the Act, for the following reasons.⁸⁸

FICC believes that any burden on competition would be necessary in furtherance of the Act, specifically Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act. As stated above, the proposed Restated Agreement, would, among other things, revise and enhance the method for calculating the margin reduction that would apply to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions, including requiring more frequent exchange of Eligible Position information between CME and FICC that is used to collateralize risk exposure. The proposed new methodology would simplify the overall margin calculation process by eliminating the need for application of offset classes and the conversion of CME Eligible Products into equivalent GSD Treasury security products. By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated. Therefore, FICC believes this proposed change is consistent with the requirements of Section17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act, which requires that the Rules be designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds that are in FICC's custody or control or for which it is responsible.

FICC believes the proposed rule change would also support FICC's compliance with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) under the Act, which requires a covered clearing agency to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product,

^{88 15} U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(I).

⁸⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁹⁰ <u>Id.</u>

portfolio, and market. ⁹¹ By enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes that a more appropriate margin reduction would be calculated and would reduce the complexity of the calculations. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to establish a risk-based margin system that, at a minimum considers, and produces margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio, and market in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i). ⁹²

FICC also believes the proposed rule change would support FICC's compliance with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act. ⁹³ Specifically, as described above, FICC and CME would agree to put in place a separate SLA, which would cover information exchange between the two parties and would also include operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in the proposed Restated Agreement. By agreeing to the SLA, FICC believes that it would be able to effectively identify, monitor, and manage risks that may be presented by the proposed Restated Agreement. Accordingly, FICC believes the proposed changes are reasonably designed to identify, monitor, and manage risks related to the link established between FICC and CME in a manner consistent with Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act. ⁹⁴

FICC believes that the above-described burden on competition that could be created by the proposed changes would be appropriate in furtherance of the Act because

^{91 17} C.F.R. 240.17Ad-22(e)(6)(i).

⁹² Id.

^{93 17} C.F.R. 240.17Ad-22(e)(20).

^{94 &}lt;u>Id.</u>

such changes have been appropriately designed to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody or control of FICC or for which it is responsible, as described in detail above. The proposed Restated Agreement has been designed to allow FICC to recognize the offsetting value of positions maintained by Cross-Margining Participants at the two Clearing Organizations for margin purposes by using a risk-based margining approach that would produce margin levels commensurate with, the risks and particular attributes of each relevant product, portfolio and market. As such, by enhancing the method for calculating the margin reduction as described above, FICC believes the proposal is appropriately designed to meet its risk management goals and its regulatory obligations.

Therefore, as described above, FICC believes the proposed changes are necessary and appropriate in furtherance of FICC's obligations under the Act, specifically Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act⁹⁵ and Rule 17Ad-22(e)(6)(i) and Rule 17Ad-22(e)(20) under the Act.⁹⁶

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

FICC has not received or solicited any written comments relating to this proposal. If any written comments are received, they will be publicly filed as an Exhibit 2 to this filing, as required by Form 19b-4 and the General Instructions thereto. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that, according to Section IV (Solicitation of Comments) of the Exhibit 1A in the General Instructions to Form 19b-4, the Commission

⁹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁹⁶ 17 C.F.R. 240.Ad-22(e)(6)(i), (e)(20).

does not edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. Commenters should submit only information that they wish to make available publicly, including their name, email address, and any other identifying information.

All prospective commenters should follow the Commission's instructions on how to submit comments, available at https://www.sec.gov/regulatory-actions/how-to-submitcomments. General questions regarding the rule filing process or logistical questions regarding this filing should be directed to the Main Office of the Commission's Division of Trading and Markets at tradingandmarkets@sec.gov or 202-551-5777. FICC reserves the right to not respond to any comments received.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change, and Timing for Commission Action</u>

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> or within such longer period up to 90 days (i) as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

- (A) by order approve or disapprove such proposed rule change, or
- (B) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

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-FICC-2023-010 on the subject line.

Paper Comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FICC-2023-010. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission 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 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FICC and on DTCC's website (dtcc.com/legal/sec-rule-filings). Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold

entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FICC-2023-010 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 97

Secretary

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EXHIBIT 3

Clean copy of Existing Agreement

CROSS-MARGINING AGREEMENT

This Cross-Margining Agreement (together with all Appendices, this "Agreement") is entered into this second day of January, 2004*, by Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC"), a New York corporation, and Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"), a Delaware corporation.

RECITALS

- A. FICC is a clearing agency registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and, through its Government Securities Division, acts as a clearing organization for trading in the overthe-counter market for U.S. Government securities, securities of U.S. federal Agencies and U.S. Government-sponsored enterprises, and financing products ("Government Securities").
- B. CME acts as the clearing organization for certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts that are traded on the CME and the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") which have been designated as contract markets for such contracts by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") pursuant to the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "CEA"). The CME is registered as a derivatives clearing organization pursuant to the CEA.
- C. FICC and CME desire to establish a Cross-Margining Arrangement in order to cross-margin products whose price volatility is sufficiently closely correlated that long and short positions in such products offset one another to some degree (as will be calculated under this Agreement) for purposes of determining margin requirements.
- D. FICC and CME desire to enter into this Agreement whereby (i) entities that are Clearing Members of both FICC and CME, and (ii) Clearing Members of one such Clearing Organization that have an Affiliate that is a Clearing Member of the other such Clearing Organization, may elect to have their Margin obligations in respect of positions in futures contracts and options on futures contracts in Eligible Products in their proprietary accounts at CME offset against their Margin obligations in respect of positions in Eligible Products at FICC to the extent permitted under this Agreement.
- E. In order to facilitate such a Cross-Margining Arrangement, FICC and CME desire to establish procedures whereby CME will guarantee certain obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant to FICC, and FICC will guarantee certain obligations of a Cross-Margining Participant

^{*} As amended by Amendment No. 1, dated October 11, 2005, Amendment No. 2, dated February 5, 2007, Amendment dated February 28, 2011, and Amendment dated June 9, 2014. Appendix A was most recently amended June 9, 2014. The notice provisions for FICC and CME were amended on February 28, 2011. The notice provisions for FICC and CME were further amended on February 3, 2016 and March 11, 2016, respectively.

to CME, with reimbursement of amounts paid under such guaranties to be collateralized by the positions and margin of such Cross-Margining Participant held by the guarantor.

- F. It is understood that FICC may enter into other cross-margining agreements similar or identical to this Agreement in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by FICC to CME as provided herein. This Agreement and all such other agreements are intended to be an integrated Cross-Margining Arrangement. FICC Clearing Members that are, or that have Affiliates that are, Clearing Members of CME and one or more of such other clearing organizations may participate simultaneously in the Cross-Margining Arrangement as contemplated in this Agreement and in such other cross-margining agreements. Each such other clearing organization shall be referred to hereafter as an "Other CO". Notwithstanding the above, it is understood that for purposes of this Agreement, CME Eligible Positions will be offset against FICC Eligible Positions and not against Eligible Positions at Other COs unless FICC and CME mutually agree otherwise. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other FICC cross-margining and loss sharing arrangements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.
- G. It is understood that CME is currently a party to other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A and may enter into additional cross-margining or loss sharing agreements in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by CME to FICC as provided herein. It is intended that CME's calculation of its Available Margin under this Agreement will be subject to CME's prior satisfaction of its obligations under such other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A as having priority over this Agreement. Except as described in the previous sentence, the CME's other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements shall not affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other CME cross-margining and loss sharing agreements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.
- H. It is understood that FICC is currently a party to other loss sharing agreements (e.g., portfolio margining arrangements and cross-guarantee agreements), and may enter into additional loss sharing or cross-margining agreements in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by FICC to CME as provided herein. It is intended that FICC's calculation of its Available Margin under this Agreement will be subject to FICC's prior satisfaction of its obligations under such other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A as having priority over this Agreement. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other cross-margining and loss sharing arrangements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.

AGREEMENTS

In consideration of the premises and mutual covenants contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the terms defined above, certain other terms used in this Agreement shall be defined as follows:

"Adjustment Payment" means the payment that is required to be made in accordance with Section 7(f) of this Agreement when the worse off party (as defined in Section 7(d) of this Agreement) computes an Aggregate Net Surplus.

"Affiliate" means, when used in respect of a particular Clearing Member of one Clearing Organization, a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that directly or indirectly controls such particular Clearing Member, or that is directly or indirectly controlled by or under common control with such particular Clearing Member. Ownership of 50 percent or more of the common stock of the relevant entity will conclusively be deemed control of that entity for purposes of this definition.

"Aggregate Net Loss" means the sum of any (1) Cross Margin Loss and (2) Available Margin if the Available Margin is less than the Cross Margin Loss (expressed as a positive number). In calculating their Aggregate Net Loss, the Clearing Organizations shall take into account any Preliminary Payment Obligation received.

"Aggregate Net Surplus" means, as applicable, (x) the sum of any Cross Margin Gain and Available Margin, or (y) if a positive number, Available Margin less any Cross Margin Loss. In calculating their Aggregate Net Surplus, the Clearing Organizations shall take into account any Preliminary Payment Obligation received.

"Applicable Residual Margin Amount" means the amount derived, as described in Section 5(a), from applying the lower of the CME Margin Rate or the FICC Margin Rate to the Residual Position in each Offset Class.

"Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used" means, in the cross-margining offset between a pair of Offset Classes at the Clearing Organizations as contemplated by Section 5(b) of this Agreement, the smaller of the long (short) Applicable Residual Margin Amount or the short (long) Applicable Residual Margin Amount in the pair of Offset Classes.

"Available Margin" means, when used in respect of the liquidation of a Clearing Member of FICC, the amount, if any, of: (i) the Clearing Member's Margin deposits, (ii) proceeds of, and obligations under, such Clearing Member's positions (other than proceeds from the liquidation of the Used Positions), and (iii) other collateral, credit support and proceeds thereof of such Clearing Member deposited with or held by FICC, that remains after all obligations of the Clearing Member to FICC (including, but not limited to, all liabilities to FICC arising as the result of the default of the Clearing Member and the satisfaction of obligations arising out of the agreements listed on Appendix A as taking priority to this Agreement) have been satisfied. "Available Margin" means, when used in respect of the liquidation of a Clearing Member of CME, the amount, if any, of: (i) the Margin deposited by such Clearing Member for its proprietary account(s) at CME, (ii) proceeds of, and obligations under, positions (other than proceeds from the liquidation of the Used Positions) in such Clearing Member's proprietary account(s), and (iii) excess margin, variation margin, option premia, other collateral, credit support and proceeds thereof related to such Clearing Member's proprietary account(s) deposited with or held by CME, including but not limited to performance bond and asset value of long option positions, that

remains after all obligations of the Clearing Member to CME (including, but not limited to, all liabilities to CME arising as the result of the default of the Clearing Member and the satisfaction of obligations arising out of the agreements listed on Appendix A as taking priority to this Agreement) have been satisfied. In the case of either FICC or CME, "Available Margin" shall not include funds or property to the extent that such funds or property may not lawfully be applied by such Clearing Organization without violating any law or regulation by which such Clearing Organization is legally bound.

"Base Amount of the Guaranty" means the amount of the Cross-Margining Reduction as determined by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) that is in effect at any particular point in time without regard to any loss sharing.

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise expressly stated in the Agreement, a day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements.

"CBOT Eligible Products" means certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts cleared by CME that are traded on the CBOT as identified on Appendix B.

"Clearing Member" means any member of the netting system of the Government Securities Division of FICC deemed eligible for cross-margining by FICC or any clearing member firm of CME, including any CBOT member that has been designated by the CME as a Special CME Clearing Member, deemed eligible for cross-margining by CME.

"Clearing Organization" means either FICC, acting through its Government Securities Division, or CME.

"CME Eligible Products" means certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts cleared by CME that are traded on the CME as identified on Appendix B

"Cross Margin Gain" means, with respect to a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net gain realized in the liquidation of the Used Positions without regard to Available Margin.

"Cross Margin Loss" means, with respect to a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net loss incurred in the liquidation of the Used Positions without regard to Available Margin.

"Cross-Margining Affiliate," means, as used in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant of a particular Clearing Organization, an Affiliate of such Cross-Margining Participant that is a Cross-Margining Participant of the other Clearing Organization.

"Cross-Margining Arrangement" means the arrangement between FICC and the CME as set forth in this Agreement, together with similar arrangements between FICC and Other COs.

"Cross-Margining Participant" means a Clearing Member that has become a participant in the Cross-Margining Arrangement as between FICC and CME under the terms of

this Agreement. The term "Cross-Margining Participant" shall, where the context requires, refer collectively to the Cross-Margining Participant and its Cross-Margining Affiliate, if any.

"Cross-Margining Reduction" means the maximum amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement at one Clearing Organization may be reduced (irrespective of the amount by which it is actually reduced) as calculated in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement. The Cross-Margining Reduction at each Clearing Organization is equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets at that Clearing Organization.

"Default Event" shall have the meaning given to that term in Section 7(a) of this Agreement.

"Defaulting Member" shall have the meaning given to that term in Section 7(a) of this Agreement.

"Disallowance Factor" means the specified percentage, as determined by the parties from time to time, that is applied to reduce the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used to derive the Margin Offset.

"Effective Date" means the date established pursuant to Section 15(j) of this Agreement.

"Eligible Position" means, when used in respect of a particular FICC Eligible Product, a dollar amount of the particular FICC Eligible Product held by a Cross-Margining Participant in a net long or short cash position at the Government Securities Division of FICC. "Eligible Position" means, when used in respect of a particular CBOT Eligible Product or CME Eligible Product, a net long or short position in futures or options on futures contracts at CME; provided, however, that the nominal principal amount of such CBOT Eligible Product or CME Eligible Product covered by futures contracts or options on futures contracts, shall be expressed as a dollar amount of U.S. Government securities using the conversion methodology set forth in Appendix C1 (for CME Eligible Products) or Appendix C2 (for CBOT Eligible Products).

"Eligible Product" means, collectively, the CME Eligible Products, CBOT Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products identified on Appendix B and any other products mutually agreed to in the future between the parties by amendment to Appendix B .

"FICC Eligible Products" means certain Government Securities cleared by FICC as identified on Appendix B.

"Figure-of-Merit" means, with respect to an Eligible Position in a CME Eligible Product, a factor calculated by the CME pursuant to the formula set forth in Appendix C that will be used to determine the applicable CME Offset Class.

"Futures" means contracts for future delivery traded on or pursuant to the rules of a contract market, and cleared by a derivatives clearing organization subject to the provisions of the CEA. The term "Futures" shall be deemed to include options on futures contracts. "Guaranty" means the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, as in effect at a particular time with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement. The term "Guaranties" refers to both the Guaranty of CME to FICC and the Guaranty of FICC to CME, including, without limitation, the obligation to make the Preliminary Payment Obligation as well as the Adjustment Payment.

"Margin" means any type of performance bond or initial margin, including deposits or pledges of CME original margin, FICC clearing fund, CME performance bond, or other margin collateral, whether in the form of cash, securities, letters of credit or other assets of a specific Cross-Margining Participant, required or held by or for the account of either Clearing Organization to secure the obligations of such Cross-Margining Participant.

"Margin Offset" means the difference between (i) the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and (ii) the product of (A) the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and (B) the greater of (1) the applicable Disallowance Factor or (2) the Minimum Margin Factor, as the case may be.

"Margin Rate" means, in the case of FICC, the percentage, defined for each offset class as two (2) times the standard deviation of returns from a historical index for that offset class, that would be applied to the Residual Position in each Offset Class in the absence of Cross-Margining, and, in the case of CME, the effective percentage which is derived by dividing the CME's long (short) Residual Margin Amount by the CME's long (short) Residual Position in each respective Offset Class.

"Wark-to-Market Payment" as used in respect of an Eligible Position means a "variation" payment or other similar payment made by a Clearing Member to a Clearing Organization or vice versa representing the difference between (i) either the current market price of such Eligible Position or, if the Eligible Position has been closed out, the price at which it was closed out, and (ii) either the price of the Eligible Position upon which the most recent Market-to-Market Payment was based or, if there was none, the price at which the Eligible Position was entered into.

"Maximization Payment" shall mean the additional payment(s), if any, that are required to be made by FICC to CME, or vice versa, pursuant to Section 8C of this Agreement after payments are made under the Guaranty.

"Maximization Payment Guaranty" means the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, to make a Maximization Payment with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant.

"Maximization Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 8C(d), of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a Maximization Payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Maximization Payment Guaranty.

"Minimum Margin Factor" means the specified percentage, as agreed to between the parties from time to time, that is applied to reduce the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used.

"Offset Class" means a specific group of Eligible Products in a Clearing Organization. CME Eligible Products shall be organized into rolling year Offset Classes 1 through 20, as described in Appendix B. CBOT Eligible Products shall be organized into Offset Classes, as described in Appendix B. FICC Eligible Products shall be organized into Offset Classes A through G, as described in Appendix B.

"Preliminary Payment Obligation" means the amount that is determined by applying the loss sharing principles set forth in Section 7(d) of this Agreement to the results of the liquidation of the Used Positions.

"Pro Rata Share" means a fraction calculated as described in Section 5(c) of this Agreement.

"Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 7(h) of this Agreement, of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Guaranty.

"Residual Margin Amount" means the long Margin amount or the short Margin amount, as the case may be, in each Offset Class that is available for cross-margining after all internal offsets are conducted within and between offset classes at a particular Clearing Organization, as contemplated in Section 5 of this Agreement. With respect to the CME, Residual Margin Amount only includes the "risk" portion of margin held by the CME. The "risk" portion of margin held with respect to a futures contract is the entire margin requirement, whereas the 'risk' portion of margin held with respect to an option on a future excludes the option value.

"Residual Position" means the amount of an Eligible Position in each Offset Class that remains after internal offsets.

"Rules" means the rules, policies and procedures of the Government Securities Division of FICC, and interpretations thereof, as they may be in effect from time to time, and for CME, the by-laws, rules and policies and procedures of CME, and interpretations thereof, as they may be in effect from time to time.

"Used Position" means that portion of a Residual Position that is associated with the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used in determining the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes.

2. Participation.

- (a) FICC and CME shall each determine which of its Clearing Members is eligible to become a Cross-Margining Participant; provided that in order to become a Cross-Margining Participant, a Clearing Member of either such Clearing Organization must be, or have an Affiliate that is, a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that such other Clearing Organization has determined to be eligible to be a Cross-Margining Participant. A common Clearing Member of FICC and CME shall become a Cross-Margining Participant upon acceptance by FICC and CME of an agreement in the form of Appendix D hereto. A Clearing Member of FICC or CME and its Affiliate that is a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization shall become Cross-Margining Participants and Cross-Margining Affiliates of one another upon acceptance by FICC and CME of an agreement in the form of Appendix E hereto. Either FICC or CME may require a Cross-Margining Participant to provide an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability of the provisions of this Agreement and the Rules of the applicable Clearing Organization with respect to such Cross-Margining Participant and its Cross-Margining Affiliate, if any. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, upon acceptance of a Clearing Member as a Cross-Margining Participant, and the Clearing Organizations shall mutually agree on a start date for the Cross-Margining Participant.
- (b) In addition to the rights of each Clearing Organization discussed in Section 7 of this Agreement, either FICC or CME may terminate the participation of a particular Cross-Margining Participant upon two Business Days' prior written notice to the other Clearing Organization; provided, however, that no such termination pursuant to this subsection (b) shall be effective with respect to any Reimbursement Obligation or Guaranty, or any Maximization Reimbursement Obligation or Maximization Payment Guaranty, with respect to that Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate that is incurred prior to the effectiveness of any such termination.
- 3. <u>Positions Subject to Cross-Margining</u>. All positions in FICC Eligible Products maintained by a Cross-Margining Participant in its account at FICC and all positions in CBOT Eligible Products and CME Eligible Products maintained by a Cross-Margining Participant in its proprietary account(s) at CME shall be deemed to be Eligible Positions for purposes of this Agreement. In the event that all necessary regulatory approvals are obtained, the Clearing Organizations shall promptly take steps (including the amendment of the agreements between the Clearing Organizations and their Cross-Margining Participants) to permit positions in CME Eligible Products or CBOT Eligible Products maintained by a Cross-Margining Participant in customer accounts at CME to be deemed to be Eligible Positions for purposes of this Agreement.
- 4. Offset Classes, Disallowance Factors, Minimum Margin Factor, and Figure-of-Merit. For purposes of calculating the Cross-Margining Reduction for Eligible Positions at FICC and CME in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement, FICC and CME shall agree upon the categorization of Eligible Products into Offset Classes and shall agree upon the Disallowance Factors and the Minimum Margin Factor to be applied to the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used to derive the Margin Offset between each possible pair of Offset Classes. Except to the extent that the Clearing Organizations mutually agree otherwise in writing, the Offset Classes shall be as set forth on Appendix B. An example of a schedule containing Disallowance Factors is set forth in Appendix B. The Clearing Organizations shall mutually agree in writing from time to time

on the Disallowance Factors and the Minimum Margin Factor that shall be used in this Cross-Margining Arrangement. The methodology for calculating the Figure-of-Merit, which will be used to determine the applicable CME Offset Class with respect to CME Eligible Products, is set forth on Appendix C1. The methodology for the conversion of CBOT futures contracts to Treasury equivalents is set forth on Appendix C2. These agreed upon factors and the Figure-of-Merit methodology do not limit FICC or CME's rights under Section 5(d) of this Agreement to determine their own actual Margin requirements with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions.

5. Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction. [amended June 2014]

(a) On each Business Day on and after the Effective Date, and with respect to each Cross-Margining Participant, each of FICC and CME will calculate a long (short) Residual Position and the associated Residual Margin Amount in each Offset Class. The Residual Positions shall be derived after first internally offsetting any Eligible Positions. CME's Residual Margin Amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the CME's SPAN® margining system. FICC's Residual Margin Amounts shall be calculated as specified in this Agreement and shall be adjusted, if necessary, to correct for differences between the methodology of calculating the Residual Margin Amount as described in this Agreement and FICC's value-at-risk methodology.

CME shall then inform FICC of (1) the long or short Residual Position computed in each Offset Class and (2) the long (short) Residual Margin Amount associated with such Residual Position. FICC shall calculate the CME effective Margin Rate for the particular Offset Class which shall be determined by dividing (2) by (1) above.

Based on the amounts computed in the previous two paragraphs of this subsection (a), FICC shall determine the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts by multiplying:

- □ The long or the short Residual Position in each Offset Class, and
- The lesser of the FICC Margin Rate for the applicable Offset Class or the CME Margin Rate for the applicable Offset Class. For purposes of this comparison of Margin Rates as between an FICC Offset Class and a CME Offset Class, if the applicable Offset Class is a FICC Offset Class, the rates that shall be compared are: (i) FICC's Margin Rate applicable to that Offset Class and (ii) the CME Margin Rate applicable to the particular FICC Offset Class as determined by Appendix B (which, in effect, is equal to the FICC Margin Rate for the particular Offset Class). If the applicable Offset Class is a CME Offset Class, the rates that shall be compared are: (i) CME's effective Margin Rate and (ii) the FICC Margin Rate applicable to the particular Offset Class as determined by Appendix B.

FICC shall inform CME, and CME shall inform FICC, of the exact methodology used to calculate its Residual Positions. FICC shall inform CME, and CME shall inform FICC, of any non-emergency change in the methodology used to make such calculations no less than 30 calendar days prior to implementation of such change, with the understanding that this obligation to provide advance notice of changes in margin methodology used in calculating Residual Positions shall not limit either Clearing Organization's right under Section 5(d) to determine its actual Margin requirements with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions. CME shall inform

FICC in advance (and to the extent practicable, not less than 30 calendar days in advance) of any non-emergency change to the contract specifications of CBOT Eligible Products and CME Eligible Products. FICC shall inform CME in advance (and to the extent practicable, not less than 30 calendar days in advance) of any non-emergency changes to the remaining maturity buckets in the list of FICC Eligible Products. In addition, both FICC and CME shall promptly inform each other of changes to either their Margin Rates or Margin amounts required per Eligible Position.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each of FICC and CME may unilaterally determine, on any Business Day, to reduce (including to reduce to zero) the Residual Positions and the corresponding Residual Margin Amounts that it makes available for cross-margining with respect to an individual Cross-Margining Participant or with respect to all Cross-Margining Participants. The effect of such action on the Guaranties shall be governed by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f).

(b) If a Cross-Margining Participant has only long Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC and CME or only short Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC and CME, then there will be no Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used.

To the extent that the Cross-Margining Participant has long Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC in one or more Offset Classes and short Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME in one or more Offset Classes, or vice versa, then the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used shall be determined as follows:

Offset will first occur between the pair of Offset Classes with the lowest Disallowance Factor. Subsequent unused offsets, if any, will generally occur between pairs of Offset Classes in order of increasing Disallowance Factors. The Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used at each Clearing Organization in the cross-margining offset between a pair of Offset Classes shall be the smaller of the long Applicable Residual Margin Amount or the short Applicable Residual Margin Amount in the pair of Offset Classes. Such Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used shall be reduced by the product of the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and the greater of the applicable Disallowance Factor or the Minimum Margin Factor to derive the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes.

The Cross-Margining Reduction for a Cross-Margining Participant at each Clearing Organization shall be equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets and shall be the same amount at each Clearing Organization.

(c) The following shall occur in the case of a Cross-Margining Participant of CME that is also a Cross-Margining Participant of one or more Other COs:

In order to determine the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used, the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts of the Cross-Margining Participant in Offset Classes at FICC shall be allocated in order of increasing Disallowance Factors, subject to Section 5(e) of this Agreement. In the event that more than one Other CO, including for this purpose CME, has Applicable Residual Margin Amounts with equally beneficial Disallowance Factors, FICC shall generally allocate its Applicable Residual Margin Amounts on a pro rated basis based on the Applicable

Residual Margin Amounts computed by FICC for each such clearing organization in relation to the aggregate Applicable Residual Margin Amounts computed by FICC for all clearing organizations for that particular Disallowance Factor. The proportion of the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC that is offset against the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME shall be referred to hereafter as CME's "Pro Rata Share" for such Cross-Margining Participant per Offset Class. The Pro Rata Share for each Other CO shall be similarly determined. Such Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used shall be reduced by the product of the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and the greater of the applicable Disallowance Factor or the Minimum Margin Factor to derive the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes. An illustrative example of FICC's allocation of its Applicable Residual Margin Amounts is shown in Appendix F hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the allocation as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, FICC reserves the right to disregard the foregoing prioritization based on increasing Disallowance Factors and/or the pro rata allocation among CME and Other COs and to increase or decrease, including to decrease to zero, the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts that it allocates to CME with respect to one or more Cross-Margining Participants if, in FICC's sole discretion, such increase or decrease is appropriate in view of unusual circumstances affecting CME, an Other CO, the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, the Eligible Positions at CME or an Other CO, or otherwise. In such an event, the CME's Pro Rata Share shall be the proportion of the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC that is actually offset against the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME. The effect of such action on the Guaranties shall be governed by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) of this Agreement.

(d) Although it is contemplated that FICC and CME may reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement in respect of Eligible Positions by the amount of the Cross-Margining Reduction in reliance upon the Guaranty of the other as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B below, nothing in this Agreement will be construed as requiring any such reduction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization may unilaterally determine its actual Margin requirements in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions taking into consideration market conditions, the financial condition of a Cross-Margining Participant (or its Cross-Margining Affiliate), the size of positions carried by a Cross-Margining Participant (or its Cross-Margining Affiliate) or any other factor or circumstance deemed by it to be relevant, but in no event shall a Clearing Organization reduce the actual Margin requirement of a Cross-Margining Participant by more than the Cross-Margining Reduction. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC shall have the right to reduce the Cross-Margining Reduction of a FICC Cross-Margining Participant to compensate for risks associated with the time value of any options on futures that may be included within the Used Positions. In addition to any notices required under Sections 6(a) and 7 of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other in the event that it chooses not to reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement by the amount of the Cross-Margining Reduction. Such action by one or both of the Clearing Organizations shall not affect the Guaranty as in effect at that time with respect to the particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B.

CME and FICC shall each determine to its own satisfaction that the Margin it requires in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant's Residual Positions, together with the Guaranty of the other Clearing Organization, is adequate to protect itself. Absent gross negligence or willful misconduct, no Clearing Organization shall have liability to any other Clearing Organization or to any other person based solely upon the fact that any information given or calculated by such Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section 5 of the Agreement was inaccurate or inadequate. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "Clearing Organization" means FICC, CME, and Other COs. The liability of CME and FICC to any Cross-Margining Participant, Cross-Margining Affiliate or third party shall be as further provided in the CME Rules and the FICC Rules.

- (e) Any calculation of a Cross-Margining Reduction, including without limitation any order of offset between possible pairs of Offset Classes (including offsets between FICC and CME Offset Classes and between FICC and Other CO Offset Classes) provided for in Section 5 of this Agreement shall not result in any guarantee to any Cross-Margining Participant that such calculation will yield any, or the highest possible, Cross-Margining Reduction.
- (f) Illustrative examples of the calculation of Cross-Margining Reductions are set forth on Appendix G hereto. The examples are intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of those calculations as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix G, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

6. Daily Procedures for Exchange of Cross-Margining Data.

(a) All daily settlements of funds and securities, including the collection of Margin payments and the release or payment of excess Margin with respect to Eligible Positions and transactions relating to Eligible Positions shall be conducted on each Business Day (and shall be conducted by the Clearing Organization that is open for business on each day that is a business day for it and not for the other Clearing Organization) in accordance with the ordinary settlement procedures of each Clearing Organization. FICC and CME shall establish procedures, including time frames, to exchange on each Business Day such information as may reasonably be required in order to calculate the Cross-Margining Reduction for each Cross-Margining Participant. The initial procedures and timeframes for such exchange of information are set forth on Appendix H hereto. Each Clearing Organization shall furnish to the other such additional information as the other Clearing Organization may reasonably request in relation to the Cross-Margining Agreement.

FICC and CME agree that each will notify the other Clearing Organization promptly if an event occurs that reflects, in the sole discretion of the notifying Clearing Organization, a material problem with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant. Examples of such an event shall include, but shall not be limited to, the events requiring notice pursuant to Section 14(a) of this Agreement.

(b) On any day that the CME is open for business and FICC is not, or vice versa, the Guaranties as determined by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) shall be in effect until new Guaranties are established pursuant to Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f), respectively the next Business Day when both Clearing Organizations conduct a settlement cycle. Days that are holidays for either FICC or CME, or both, and therefore not Business Days under this Agreement, are as published by each Clearing Organization for each particular calendar year.

7. <u>Suspension and Liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant</u>. *[amended June 2014]*

(a) Either FICC or CME may at any time exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of a Cross-Margining Participant (a "Defaulting Member") and, subject to the provisions of the next sentence, to liquidate the positions and Margin of such Cross-Margining Participant. Upon such event (the "Default Event"), the terminating or suspending Clearing Organization shall immediately by telephone or in person, and thereafter in writing, notify the other Clearing Organization of such event and both such Clearing Organizations shall promptly and prudently liquidate (through market transactions or other commercially reasonable means) all Used Positions of such Defaulting Member (or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, as the case may be) at such Clearing Organizations except to the extent that FICC and CME mutually agree to delay liquidation of all or any portion of the Used Positions or except to the extent that either determines unilaterally not to liquidate all or any portion of the Used Positions as provided below. Except to the extent that one Clearing Organization has determined unilaterally not to liquidate, FICC and CME shall use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the Used Positions so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously. Any funds received by a Clearing Organization as a result of the liquidation of the Used Positions of a Cross-Margining Participant pursuant to this Section 7 shall be applied in accordance with the following paragraphs of this Section.

In liquidating the Used Positions of their respective Cross-Margining Participants, FICC and CME shall each determine as soon as practicable, but in any event within 15 calendar days from the day of the Default Event, the Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss at that Clearing Organization. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, of the amount of its own Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss and, in such detail as may reasonably be requested, the means by which such calculation was made.

- (b) In liquidating the Used Positions of their respective Cross-Margining Participants, FICC and CME shall each apply any proceeds of closing out positions as follows:
 - CME shall compute proceeds from the long side of market positions (long futures, long calls and short puts) separately from the short side of market positions (short futures, short calls and long puts).
 - FICC shall compute proceeds from long Government Securities positions separately from short Government Securities positions.

Only the proceeds from the side of market that was offset pursuant to this Agreement at the last margin cycle ("the Isolated Side") will be allocated to determine the Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss.

- At CME, with regard to CME Eligible Products, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the number of Eurodollar delta equivalents which comprise the Used Positions for that Offset Class for the last cross-margining cycle, divided by the total number of Eurodollar delta equivalents from the side of market that was offset.
- At CME, with regard to CBOT Eligible Products, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the value of futures contracts and options on futures contracts that were offset pursuant to this Agreement for that Offset Class, divided by the total market value of futures contracts and options on futures contracts in the Offset Class form the side of the market that was offset.
- At FICC, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the market value of Government Securities that was offset pursuant to this Agreement for that Offset Class, divided by the total market value of Government Securities in the Offset Class from the side of market that was offset.

In the event that (i) the sum of any allocated proceeds of the liquidation of the Used Positions on the Isolated Side of the market realized by such Clearing Organization (including securities deliverable to, and amounts receivable in respect of securities deliverable by, such Cross-Margining Participant in settlement of the Used Positions) and any Mark-to-Market Payments or other settlement amounts due from such Clearing Organization in respect of the Isolated Side of the Used Positions exceeds (ii) the sum of the allocated Mark-to-Market Payments or other settlement amounts owed to such Clearing Organization in respect of, or as a result of the closeout of, the Used Positions on the Isolated Side of the Market (including securities deliverable by, or amounts payable in respect of securities deliverable to, such Cross-Margining Participant in respect of the Used Positions), plus any interest expense, fees, commissions or other costs reasonably incurred in such close-out or otherwise arising from such Used Positions, then the amount of such excess shall be deemed to be the Cross Margin Gain. In the event that the sum referred to in clause (i) of the preceding sentence is less than the amount referred to in clause (ii), the difference shall be the Cross Margin Loss.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Cross-Margining Participant that is, or that has a Cross-Margining Affiliate that is, a Cross-Margining Participant of one or more Other COs, such Cross-Margining Participant's Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss at FICC shall be allocated among the CME and Other COs in accordance with the Pro Rata Share fraction computed in Section 5 above with respect to each Offset Class.

(d) If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8A and 8B below (although a payment may be due under Section 8C of this Agreement). If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross-Margining Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such Guaranties will offset one another and no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization (although a payment may be due under Section 8C of this Agreement).

If either FICC or CME has a Cross Margin Loss (hereinafter the "worse off party") and the other has a smaller Cross Margin Loss, no Cross Margin Loss or a Cross Margin Gain (hereinafter the "better off party"), then the worse off party shall be entitled to receive a payment from the better off party known as the Preliminary Payment Obligation and equal to the smallest of the following:

- (i) the Cross Margin Loss of the worse off party;
- (ii) the higher of (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or (b) Cross Margin Gain of the better off party;
- (iii) the amount required to equalize FICC's and CME's Cross Margin Gains (Losses); or
- (iv) the amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better off party's Cross Margin Loss if both parties have Cross Margin Losses.

For purposes of the foregoing determination of the Preliminary Payment Obligation owed by one Clearing Organization to another, a Clearing Organization that has elected unilaterally not to suspend or liquidate any of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (the "Non-Liquidating CO") shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain equal to the Cross Margin Loss of the Clearing Organization that liquidated all of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (the "Liquidating CO"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the Non-Liquidating CO shall not be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain that is less than the Base Amount of the Guaranty. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, in the event a Clearing Organization is directed not to suspend or liquidate the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness, the Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain equal to the Base Amount of the Guaranty.

A Clearing Organization that has elected to liquidate a portion, but not all, of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (the "Partially Liquidating CO") shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain or Loss equal to the gain or loss on the liquidated portion plus a gain equal to a pro rated amount of the Cross Margin Loss of the Liquidating CO, pro rated based on the portion of the Used Positions that the Partially Liquidating CO did not liquidate. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, the Partially Liquidating CO shall not be deemed to have, with respect to the unliquidated portion of the Used Positions, a gain which is less than the pro rated amount of the Base Amount of the Guaranty, pro rated based on the unliquidated portion of the Used Positions. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, in the event a Clearing Organization is directed to partially liquidate a Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness, the Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain or Loss equal to the gain or loss on the liquidated portion

plus a gain equal to a pro rated amount of the Base Amount of the Guaranty, pro rated based on a portion of the Used Positions that the Clearing Organization did not liquidate. The Clearing Organization that determines to liquidate a portion, but not all of, the Used Positions shall do so in good faith based on legitimate business reasons or because it is directed to do so by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness.

- (e) If FICC is obligated to make a payment of the Preliminary Payment Obligation to CME, or CME is obligated to make a payment of the Preliminary Payment Obligation to FICC, in respect of a Guaranty, the Clearing Organization obligated to make such payment shall do so promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation by both Clearing Organizations of their Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss pursuant to Section 7(a) of this Agreement. Such payment shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (f) The worse off party shall be required to return all or a portion of the Preliminary Payment Obligation in the form of an Adjustment Payment under the circumstances set forth in this paragraph. In order to establish whether the Preliminary Payment Obligation shall be returned, in whole or in part, to the better off party, each Clearing Organization shall compute its Aggregate Net Loss (Aggregate Net Surplus) and shall do so promptly and in no event later than 15 calendar days from the day on which the better off party paid the Preliminary Payment Obligation to the worse off party. If the worse off party computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, it shall make a payment to the better off party, in respect of a Guaranty, known as the Adjustment Payment and equal to the lesser of: (i) the worse off party's Aggregate Net Surplus or (ii) the Preliminary Payment Obligation. Such Adjustment Payment shall be made promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation of the Aggregate Net Surplus (Aggregate Net Loss) by both Clearing Organizations. Such payment shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (g) If at any time within 90 calendar days following the Default Event, either Clearing Organization determines that any amount paid to or received from the other Clearing Organization pursuant to Sections 7(e) and/or 7(f) of this Agreement in respect of a Guaranty was incorrect either because of errors in calculation at the time or because new information relevant to the determination of such amount was discovered after the determination of such amount, the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information shall notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, the Clearing Organizations shall: (i)cooperate with one another to recalculate the appropriate amount of any Guaranty payments to be made promptly and in no event later than 15 calendar days from the day on which the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information notified the other Clearing Organization, and (ii) make any necessary payments to one another to correct the error within 3 Business Days following agreement on such recalculation by both Clearing Organizations. Such payment(s) shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (h) In the event that either Clearing Organization (the "Guarantor") becomes obligated to make a Guaranty payment to the other Clearing Organization (the "Beneficiary") in respect of the obligation of a Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate to the Beneficiary, the Defaulting Member and such Affiliate shall thereupon immediately be obligated, whether or not the Guarantor has then made the Guaranty payment to the Beneficiary, to reimburse the Guarantor for the amount of the Guaranty payment as determined by the Guarantor, and the Guarantor shall

be subrogated to all of the rights of the Beneficiary against the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate. Such obligation (the "Reimbursement Obligation") shall be due immediately upon a demand by the Guarantor to the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate specifying the amount of such obligation. In the event that the final amount of the Guaranty Payment is greater or less than the amount originally determined, the Reimbursement Obligation shall be adjusted accordingly and payment of the difference shall be made between the Guarantor and the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, as appropriate. It is understood and agreed that any payment or obligation to make payment between the Guarantor or its Cross-Margining Participant and the Beneficiary with respect to the Guaranty, and any payment or obligation to make payment between the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate and the Guarantor, is a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" or an obligation to make a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, as the case may be. In the event that the Guarantor had an Aggregate Net Surplus in respect of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, such Aggregate Net Surplus shall constitute cash, securities, or other property held by or due from the Guarantor within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Reimbursement Obligation of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate shall be netted and set off against such Aggregate Net Surplus, and any remaining Aggregate Net Surplus shall be returned to the Defaulting Member or its representative or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the Rules of the Guarantor, subject to Section 8C. Each Guarantor has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code.

For purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 USC 4401-4407), this Agreement, together with the FICC Rules, the CME Rules and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof, is a "netting contract" and all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations."

(i) A narrative description of the loss-sharing process is set forth on Appendix I hereto. Numerical examples of the calculation of Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss in liquidating the Used Positions of a Defaulting Member, and the related calculation of the amount of any payments under the Guaranty are set forth on Appendix J hereto. The examples are intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of those calculations as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix I and/or J, the main provisions of this Agreement shall govern.

8A. Guaranty of FICC to CME.

(a) FICC hereby unconditionally guaranties the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "CME's Debtor") to CME, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing arising

from or related to the Used Positions or the liquidation thereof, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Indebtedness to CME"). FICC further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by CME in enforcing its rights against FICC under this Section 8A.

- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to CME (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to FICC and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of FICC under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to CME; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to CME; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty or security therefor or CME's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, CME's Debtor or a guarantor. FICC waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to CME and this Guaranty and any requirement that CME exhaust any right or take any action against CME's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on CME's part to disclose to FICC any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of CME's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. FICC acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that FICC has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding CME's Debtor.
- (d) In the event that FICC makes any payment to CME under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not returned to FICC in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(f) of this Agreement, FICC shall be subrogated to the rights of CME against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to CME such payment was made and to the rights of CME against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to CME.
- (e) All of CME's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to CME at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) The Base Amount of FICC's Guaranty to CME under paragraph (a) of this Section 8A with respect to each of CME's Debtors shall be equal to the Cross-Margining Reduction as calculated by FICC with respect to each such CME Debtor and such Base Amount shall become effective as follows:

- (i) An increase in the Cross-Margining Reduction shall become effective at the time at which FICC provides CME with a valid cross-margining output file reflecting such increase.
- (ii) A decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction, including to zero, shall become effective at 11:00 a.m. New York time on the Business Day following the Business Day for which the decrease was calculated.

In the event that either Clearing Organization cannot complete its settlement on any Business Day because of an event of force majeure and thus is not able to act upon the decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction by 11:00 a.m. New York time, then subsection (ii) above shall not apply and the Clearing Organizations shall confer with one another and agree upon a course of action that will protect both Clearing Organizations.

An illustrative example of the timing of the effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty is shown in Appendix K hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the timing as set forth in this section of the Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix K, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

8B. Guaranty of CME to FICC.

- (a) CME hereby unconditionally guaranties the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "FICC's Debtor") to FICC, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing arising from or related to Used Positions or the liquidation thereof, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Indebtedness to FICC"). CME further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by FICC in enforcing its rights against CME under this Section 8B.
- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to FICC (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to CME and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of CME under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to FICC; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to FICC; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty or security therefor or FICC's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, FICC's

Debtor or a guarantor. CME waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to FICC and this Guaranty and any requirement that FICC exhaust any right or take any action against FICC's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on FICC's part to disclose to CME any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of FICC's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. CME acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that CME has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding FICC's Debtor.

- (d) In the event that CME makes any payment to FICC under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not returned to CME in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(f) of this Agreement, CME shall be subrogated to the rights of FICC against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to FICC such payment was made and to the rights of FICC against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to FICC.
- (e) All of FICC's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to FICC at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) The Base Amount of CME's Guaranty to FICC under paragraph (a) of this Section 8A with respect to each of FICC's Debtors shall be equal to the Cross-Margining Reduction as calculated by FICC with respect to each such FICC Debtor and such Base Amount shall become effective as follows:
- (i) An increase in the Cross-Margining Reduction shall become effective at the time at which FICC provides CME with a valid cross-margining output file reflecting such increase.
- (ii) A decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction, including to zero, shall become effective at 11:00 a.m. New York time on the Business Day following the Business Day for which the decrease was calculated.

In the event that either Clearing Organization cannot complete its settlement on any Business Day because of an event of force majeure and thus is not able to act upon the decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction by 11:00 a.m. New York time, then subsection (ii) above shall not apply and the Clearing Organizations shall confer with one another and agree upon a course of action that will protect both Clearing Organizations.

An illustrative example of the timing of the effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty is shown in Appendix K hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the timing as set forth in this section of the Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix K, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

8C. Maximization Payment

(a) If, after payment is made under the Guaranty referred to in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement, FICC has an Aggregate Net Surplus, FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus shall:

- First be distributed among the clearing organizations that are parties to the agreements listed in Appendix A by FICC as having priority over this Agreement in accordance with the terms of those agreements,
- The remainder of FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus shall be divided among CME and Other COs on a pro rated basis based upon the Base Amount of the Guaranty (or comparable amounts under such other cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member that was computed by FICC for each such clearing organization in relation to the aggregate Base Amounts of the Guaranties (or other comparable amounts under such other cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member that were computed by FICC for such clearing organizations pursuant to their applicable cross-margining agreements until either all Aggregate Net Losses of CME and the Other COs are fully satisfied or FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus has been used up.
- (b) If, after payment is made under the Guaranty referred to in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement, CME computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, CME's Aggregate Net Surplus shall
 - First be distributed among the clearing organizations that are parties to the agreements listed in Appendix A by CME as having priority over this Agreement in accordance with the terms of those agreements,
 - The remainder of CME's Aggregate Net Surplus shall be divided among FICC and the other clearing organizations with which CME has signed cross-margining agreements on a pro rated basis based upon the Base Amount of the Guaranty (or comparable amounts under such cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member in relation to the aggregate Base Amount of the Guaranties (or comparable amounts under such cross-margining agreements) until either all Aggregate Net Losses of FICC and such other clearing organizations are fully satisfied or CME's Aggregate Net Surplus has been used up.
- (c) In the event of any order or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction (the "Court") that any amount of the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation relating to any Maximization Payment paid pursuant to this Section 8C by a Clearing Organization (the "Payor Clearing Organization") to the other Clearing Organization (the "Payee Clearing Organization") may not be recovered by the Payor Clearing Organization from the Aggregate Net Surplus, the Payee Clearing Agency shall repay that amount to the Payor Clearing Organization; provided, however, that (i) if the Payee Clearing Organization is ordered by the Court to pay to the Defaulting Member (or to any person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) the Maximization Payment paid by the Payor Clearing Organization to the Payee Clearing Organization, then such amount shall be paid by the Payee Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member (or to such other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) and such payment shall discharge any obligation of the Payor Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member and any obligation of the Payee Clearing Organization to the Payor Clearing Organization for such amount, and (ii) if the Payee Clearing Organization is ordered by the Court to pay to the Defaulting Member (or to any person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) only a portion of the Maximization Payment paid by the Payor Clearing Organization to

the Payee Clearing Organization, then (A) such amount shall be paid by the Payee Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member (or to such other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) and such payment shall discharge any obligation of the Payor Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member and any obligation of the Payee Clearing Organization to the Payor Clearing Organization for such amount and (B) the excess which is not paid to the Defaulting Member (or to any other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) shall be retained by the Payee Clearing Organization or repaid to the Payor Clearing Organization in accordance with their rights and obligations under this Section 8C. The parties hereto shall cooperate with each other, including in any action or proceeding in any Court, to endeavor to prevent any redundant payments to the Defaulting Member.

In the event that either Clearing Organization (the "Maximization Payment Guarantor") (d) becomes obligated to make a Maximization Payment pursuant to the Maximization Payment Guaranty to the other Clearing Organization (the "Maximization Payment Beneficiary") in respect of the obligation of a Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate to the Maximization Payment Beneficiary, the Defaulting Member and such Affiliate shall thereupon immediately be obligated, whether or not the Maximization Payment Guarantor has then made the Maximization Payment to the Maximization Payment Beneficiary, to reimburse the Maximization Payment Guarantor for the amount of the Maximization Payment as determined by the Maximization Payment Guarantor, and the Maximization Payment Guarantor shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the Maximization Payment Beneficiary against the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate. Such obligation (the "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation") shall be due immediately upon a demand by the Maximization Payment Guarantor to the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate specifying the amount of such obligation. In the event that the final amount of the Maximization Payment is greater or less than the amount originally determined, the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation shall be adjusted accordingly and payment of the difference shall be made between the Maximization Payment Guarantor and the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, as appropriate. It is understood and agreed that any payment or obligation to make payment between the Maximization Payment Guarantor or its Cross-Margining Participant and the Maximization Payment Beneficiary with respect to the Maximization Payment Guaranty, and any payment or an obligation to make a payment between the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate and the Maximization Payment Guarantor, is a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" or an obligation to make a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code. In the event that the Maximization Payment Guarantor had an Aggregate Net Surplus in respect of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, such Aggregate Net Surplus shall constitute cash, securities, or other property held by, or due from, the Maximization Payment Guarantor within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate shall be netted and set off against such Aggregate Net Surplus, and any remaining Aggregate Net Surplus shall be returned to the Defaulting Member or its representative or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the Rules of the Guarantor. Each Maximization Payment Guarantor has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code.

- (e) (i) FICC hereby unconditionally guaranties (such guaranty being the Maximization Payment Guaranty) the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "CME's Debtor") to CME, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(a) of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Maximization Indebtedness to CME"). FICC further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by CME in enforcing its rights against FICC under this Section 8A, subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement.
- (ii) The creation or existence from time to time of Maximization Indebtedness to CME (whether or not such Maximization Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(a) of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Maximization Payment Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to FICC and shall in no way affect or impair this Maximization Payment Guaranty.
- Subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement, the liability of FICC under this Maximization Payment Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Maximization Indebtedness to CME; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty or security therefor or CME's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, CME's Debtor or a guarantor. FICC waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Maximization Indebtedness to CME and this Maximization Payment Guaranty and any requirement that CME exhaust any right or take any action against CME's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on CME's part to disclose to FICC any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of CME's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. FICC acknowledges that this Maximization Payment Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that FICC has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding CME's Debtor.
- (iv) In the event that FICC makes a Maximization Payment to CME under this Maximization Payment Guaranty, FICC shall be subrogated to the rights of CME against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Maximization Indebtedness to CME such payment was made and to the rights of CME against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Maximization Indebtedness to CME.

- (v) All of CME's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to CME at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) CME hereby unconditionally guaranties (such guaranty being the Maximization Payment Guaranty) the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "FICC's Debtor") to FICC, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(b) of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Maximization Indebtedness to FICC"). CME further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by FICC in enforcing its rights against CME under this Section 8A, subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement.
- (ii) The creation or existence from time to time of Maximization Indebtedness to FICC (whether or not such Maximization Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(b) of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Maximization Payment Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to CME and shall in no way affect or impair this Maximization Payment Guaranty.
- Subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement, the liability of CME under this Maximization Payment Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Maximization Indebtedness to FICC; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty or security therefor or FICC's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, FICC's Debtor or a guarantor. CME waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC and this Maximization Payment Guaranty and any requirement that FICC exhaust any right or take any action against FICC's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on FICC's part to disclose to CME any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of FICC's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by FICC. CME acknowledges that this Maximization Payment Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that CME has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding FICC's Debtor.
- (iv) In the event that CME makes a Maximization Payment to FICC under this Maximization Payment Guaranty, CME shall be subrogated to the rights of FICC against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Maximization

Indebtedness to FICC such payment was made and to the rights of FICC against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Maximization Indebtedness to FICC.

(v) All of FICC's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to FICC at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

9. Confidentiality.

- (a) Except as expressly authorized in this Agreement and except with respect to information that is disclosed to an Other CO in connection with a Cross-Margining Arrangement, each Clearing Organization shall maintain in confidence, and shall not disclose to any third party, any information obtained by it from the other Clearing Organization in connection with (i) this Agreement, or (ii) the transactions or activities contemplated herein with respect to any Clearing Organization, or (iii) the positions, transactions or financial condition of any Clearing Member ("Confidential Information"). The foregoing shall not apply to: (i) any information which is or becomes generally known to the public, other than through an action or failure to act by such Clearing Organization or Clearing Member, or (ii) the disclosure of Confidential Information to a third party to whom such information was previously known. This Section 9 shall not prohibit either party from furnishing Confidential Information to: (a) the CFTC or the SEC or, any other regulator or supervisory authority with oversight authority over a Clearing Organization or any of its members, (b) pursuant to any surveillance agreement or similar arrangement to which such party is a party, (c) to any "self-regulatory organization" within the meaning of the CEA or the Exchange Act or to any foreign government or regulatory body, or (d) to a Representative of such Clearing Organization with a "need to know" the Confidential Information who has been instructed to maintain the confidentiality of such Confidential information in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and who has agreed to do so. The term "Representative" shall mean, with respect to a Clearing Organization, such Clearing Organization's directors, officers, employees, agents, consultants and professional advisers.
- (b) In the event that either party is required by subpoena, or by any other order of court, law or regulation to disclose any Confidential Information in the possession of such party, it is agreed that the party which is subject to such requirement shall provide the other party with prompt notice of such requirement so that the other party may seek an appropriate protective order and/or waive compliance with the provisions of this Section with respect to such required disclosure. In the event that such other party determines to seek a protective order, the party subject to the requirement shall cooperate to the extent reasonably requested by the other. It is further agreed that if in the absence of a protective order or the receipt of a waiver hereunder, the party subject to the requirement is nonetheless, in the reasonable opinion of its counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information to any tribunal or regulatory agency or else stand liable for contempt or suffer other censure or penalty, such party may produce such Confidential Information without liability under this Section 9.

10. Indemnification.

(a) Each of FICC and CME (the "Indemnitor") shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees, agents and each person, if any, who controls the

indemnified Clearing Organization (each an "Indemnified Party") against any Claims and Losses (as defined below) incurred by an Indemnified Party as the result, or arising from allegations, of any act or failure to act by the Indemnitor in connection with this Agreement or the cross-margining procedures contemplated under this Agreement if such act or failure to act constitutes either (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Indemnitor; or (ii) a material breach of this Agreement, or any obligation undertaken in connection with this Agreement, any Rule of the Indemnitor (except to the extent that such Rule is inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement), or any law or governmental regulation applicable to the Indemnitor.

- (b) As used in this Section 10, the term "Claims and Losses" means any and all losses, damages and expenses whatsoever arising from claims of third parties including, without limitation, liabilities, judgments, damages, costs of investigation, reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses and amounts paid in settlement (with the consent of the Indemnitor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) in connection with any action, suit, litigation, claim or proceeding to which an Indemnified Party is made a party defendant, or is threatened to be made such a party.
- (c) Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of notice of the commencement of any action or the assertion of any claim against such Indemnified Party, such Indemnified Party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the Indemnitor, notify the Indemnitor in writing of the commencement of such action or assertion of such claims, but the omission so to notify the Indemnitor will not relieve the Indemnitor from any liability which it may have to any Indemnified Party except to the extent that the Indemnitor has been prejudiced by the lack of prompt notice and shall in any event not relieve the Indemnitor of any liability which it may have to an Indemnified Party otherwise than under this Section 10. In case any such action is brought against any Indemnified Party, and such party promptly notifies the Indemnitor of the commencement thereof, the Indemnitor will be entitled to participate in, and, to the extent that it may wish, to assume and control the defense thereof, with counsel chosen by it that is acceptable to the Indemnified Party, which acceptance shall not be unreasonably withheld, and, after notice from the Indemnitor to such Indemnified Party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the Indemnitor will not be liable to such Indemnified Party under this Section 10 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation, but the Indemnified Party may, at its own expense, participate in such defense by counsel chosen by it, without, however, impairing the Indemnitor's control of the defense. In any action in which the named parties include the Indemnitor and one or more Indemnified Parties, the Indemnitor shall have the right to assume control of any legal defenses that are available to it and any of the Indemnified Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in any action in which the named parties include both the Indemnitor and an Indemnified Party and in which the Indemnified Party shall have been advised by its counsel that there may be legal defenses available to the Indemnified Party that are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnitor, the Indemnitor shall not have the right to assume such different or additional legal defenses, and provided further that the Indemnitor shall not, in connection with one action or separate but substantially similar actions arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be liable for more than the reasonable fees and disbursements of one separate firm of attorneys for all of the Indemnified Parties for the purpose of conducting such different or additional legal defenses. The Indemnitor may negotiate a compromise or settlement of any such

action or claim provided that such compromise or settlement does not require a contribution by, or otherwise adversely affect the rights of, the Indemnified Party.

11. Rules of the Clearing Organizations. FICC and CME each shall propose and use all reasonable efforts to obtain any regulatory approvals necessary to adopt and maintain in effect such provisions in its Rules as are reasonably necessary to implement the provisions of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such Rules shall provide that Cross-Margining Participants of the Clearing Organization shall be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and that the Clearing Organization may use its clearing fund, including any rights of assessments against its Clearing Members, to make payment under any Guaranty given by such Clearing Organization pursuant to Section 8A or 8B of this Agreement.

FICC and CME shall give each other reasonable prior notice of the intended effectiveness of any rule or rule amendment (other than an emergency rule or rule amendment, as to which notice shall be given promptly) adopted by such Clearing Organization if such rule or rule amendment relates in any way to such Clearing Organization's clearing fund, contributions to capital, or rights of assessment against its Clearing Members.

12. Representations and Warranties.

- (a) CME represents and warrants to FICC, and FICC represents and warrants to CME, as of the date hereof and as of the Effective Date as follows:
- (i) Good Standing. It is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has the power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is now engaged or proposed to be engaged and is duly qualified and authorized to do business as a corporation and is in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction in which failure to so qualify could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business or operations.
- (ii) <u>Corporate Power and Authority</u>. It has all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement and the agreements referenced in this Agreement, as applicable, and full power and authority to take all actions required of it pursuant to such agreements. This Agreement will constitute, when executed and delivered, valid and binding obligations of such Clearing Organization, and the execution, delivery and performance of all of its obligations under this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of such Clearing Organization.
- (iii) No Violation. Except for provisions as to which waivers have been obtained, and except to the extent representations made hereunder as of the date hereof may be subject to the regulatory approvals referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Clearing Organization and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement: (i) do not result in a violation or breach of, do not conflict with or constitute a default under, and will not accelerate or permit the acceleration of performance required by, any of the terms and provisions of its certificate or articles of incorporation, by-laws, rules or other governing documents, any note, debt instrument, or any other agreement to which it is a party or to which

any of its assets or properties is subject, and will not be an event which after notice or lapse of time or both will result in any such violation, breach, conflict, default or acceleration; and (ii) do not result in a violation or breach of any law, judgment, decree, order, rule or regulation of any governmental authority or court, whether federal, state or local, at law or in equity, applicable to it or any of its assets or properties.

- (iv) Operational Capability: It has adequate personnel, physical facilities, systems, and internal procedures to enable it to satisfactorily communicate with the other Clearing Organization and fulfill all anticipated obligations arising under this Agreement with the necessary promptness and accuracy.
- (b) CME represents and warrants to FICC, and FICC represents and warrants to CME, as of the Effective Date that all authorizations, permits, approvals or consents required to be obtained from, and all notifications and filings required to be made with, all governmental authorities and regulatory bodies and third parties to permit such Clearing Organization to place into effect this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement have been obtained.
- (c) These representations and warranties shall be deemed to be repeated each day during the term of the Agreement.

13. <u>Termination</u>.

- (a) FICC may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to CME specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (b) CME may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to FICC specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (c) In the event that either FICC or CME fails to perform any material obligation under this Agreement and such failure is not promptly cured after written notice thereof is sent to such Clearing Organization, the non-defaulting Clearing Organization may terminate this Agreement by delivering written notice of such termination to the other party.
- (d) In the event that a termination date is established under paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) above, each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify all of its Cross-Margining Participants. Each Clearing Organization shall cooperate fully in exchanging all necessary data, records, computer files and other information, and in executing documents and taking other action necessary or appropriate to effect transfers, releases, etc. in order to effect termination of the Cross-Margining Arrangement as to the terminating parties. In the event that a liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant is pending on the termination date, the provisions of this Agreement pertaining to such liquidation shall survive the termination until such liquidation has been completed and any payment due under the Guaranty due from one Clearing Organization to the other in respect of such liquidation has been paid.

(e) All obligations arising under this Agreement prior to the termination thereof that remain unsatisfied shall survive the termination of this Agreement, including any rights of subrogation under Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement. In addition, the provisions of Section 9 shall survive the termination of this Agreement to the extent that they apply to Confidential Information received by a Clearing Organization prior to the termination of this Agreement and the provisions of Section 10 shall survive the termination of this Agreement to the extent that the event giving rise to an obligation of indemnification occurs prior to the termination of this Agreement.

14. Information Sharing.

- (a) FICC and CME hereby agree to provide one another with the following information regarding their respective Cross-Margining Participants:
- (i) If either Clearing Organization applies any special surveillance procedures to a particular Cross-Margining Participant or places such Cross-Margining Participant on remedial action status or higher as provided in such Clearing Organization's Rules, such Clearing Organization will promptly inform the other Clearing Organization of that fact.
- (ii) If either Clearing Organization requires more frequent reporting of financial information by a particular Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization will promptly inform the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the period of reporting.
- (iii) If either Clearing Organization increases the capital requirement for a particular Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization will promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact, the amount of the additional capital required and the deadline for meeting the requirement.
- (iv) If either Clearing Organization imposes higher Margin requirements with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant, or issues a special intra-day call for Margin or settlement variation in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the amount of the additional Margin required.
- (v) Each Clearing Organization shall, upon request by the other Clearing Organization, promptly furnish to such other Clearing Organization the following information with respect to each account carried by a Cross-Margining Participant with the Clearing Organization from whom the information is requested: (A) Margin required and on deposit in respect of such account, and (B) the dollar amount of any current settlement obligations owed to or by the Cross-Margining Participant that have been determined for such account, including, but not limited to, variation margin, premiums, option exercises and any other settlements. CME shall, upon request by FICC, promptly furnish to FICC the conversion factor(s) used in implementing the conversion set forth in Appendix C2.
- (vi) Each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of any disciplinary action (other than an appeal from an administrative fine) taken by its governing board, or committee or subcommittee thereof against a Cross-Margining Participant involving

material non-compliance with financial or financial reporting requirements, or material violation of its Rules.

- (vii) Each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other in the event that the notifying Clearing Organization learns of any major processing difficulties (including, but not limited to, back-office or bank computer problems) or any major operational errors of a Cross-Margining Participant.
- (viii) Each Clearing Organization agrees to promptly notify each other Clearing Organization in the event that a Cross-Margining Participant defaults materially in any settlement obligation.
- (ix) If either Clearing Organization suspends, terminates, ceases to act for, or liquidates any Clearing Member, that Clearing Organization will promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact.
- (x) In the case of any notice given pursuant to paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (vii), or (viii) above, the Clearing Organization giving such notice shall also notify the recipient when the condition giving rise to such notice is terminated.
- (b) FICC agrees to inform CME, and CME agrees to inform FICC, as requested, of the total size of or a material change in the total size of, and aggregate amount of required contributions to, such Clearing Organization's clearing or guaranty fund, as applicable.
- (c) Any notice required to be given pursuant to this Section 14 shall be given by facsimile, telephone, or e-mail promptly upon the occurrence of the event giving rise to the requirement of notification. Any notice given by telephone or e-mail shall be promptly confirmed in writing. Notices shall be deemed given when received. Each such notice shall be directed as follows:

If to FICC: [amended February 28, 2011; further amended February 3, 2016]

Mr. Murray Pozmanter Managing Director, Head of Clearing Agency Services

Telephone: (212) 855-7522

Fax: (212) 855-4163

E-mail: mpozmanter@dtcc.com

and

Ms. Nikki Poulos

Managing Director and FICC General Counsel

Telephone: (212) 855-7633

Fax: (201) 533-6632

E-mail: npoulos@dtcc.com with a copy to GCOcontractnotices@dtcc.com

and

Mr. Joe Brennan

Managing Director, Global Operations & Client Services

Telephone: (212) 855-7695 Fax: (212) 855-7599 E-mail: jbrennan@dtcc.com

If to CME: [amended March 11, 2016]

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker

Drive

Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: (312) 648-3888 Fax: (312) 930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

With a copy to:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attn: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: legalnotices@cmegroup.com

Either Clearing Organization may amend or supplement the notice information set forth above by providing notice in writing given by facsimile or hand delivery to the other Clearing Organization. Such notice shall be effective upon receipt.

(d) In the event that notification is given by a Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section, such Clearing Organization shall furnish to the other upon request such additional information or documents relating to the circumstances leading to the notification as may reasonably be requested by it. Notices shall be deemed given when received.

15. General Provisions.

- (a) <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party agrees, without additional consideration, to execute and deliver such instruments and take such other actions as shall be reasonably required or as shall be reasonably requested by the other party in order to carry out the transactions, agreements and covenants contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) <u>Amendment, Modification and Waiver</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, this Agreement may be permanently modified, amended or supplemented only by mutual written agreement of the parties. A party may temporarily waive or modify any condition intended to be for its benefit provided such waiver shall be in writing signed by the party or parties to be charged. Any delay or failure of a party hereto at any time to require performance by the other party of any

provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect the right of such party to require future performance of that or any other provision of this Agreement and shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of any provision, a waiver of this provision itself or a waiver of any other right under this Agreement. Either party hereto may amend Appendix A with respect to itself only upon written notice to the other party hereto. The parties shall inform their respective Cross-Margining Participants of any amendments or modifications made to this Agreement.

- (c) <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws (without regard to principles of conflicts of laws) of the State of New York.
- (d) <u>Notices</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, all notices to be given by any party under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by facsimile, hand delivery, recognized courier delivery service, or by confirmed telecopy, to the other parties at the following addresses (or such other addresses as any party may furnish to the others in writing for such purpose):

[amended February 2, 2016]

If to FICC: Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099

Attention: Head of Clearing Agency Services

Fax No.: 212-855-4163

Copy to: Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099 Attention: FICC General Counsel

Fax No.: 201-533-6632

Copy to: Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099

Attn.: Managing Director, Global Operations & Client Services

Fax No.: 212-855-7599

[amended March 11, 2016]

If to CME: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: 312-648-3888 Fax No.: 312-930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

Copy to: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: legalnotices@cmegroup.com

All notices given pursuant to this Agreement shall be effective upon receipt.

- (e) <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement and all of the provisions hereof shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, but neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by either party hereto without the prior written consent of the other party, nor is this Agreement intended to confer any rights or remedies upon any person except the parties hereto.
- (f) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- (g) <u>Headings</u>. The section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the parties and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- (h) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. Except as set forth expressly herein or in another instrument in writing signed by the party to be bound thereby which makes reference to this Agreement, this Agreement, including the exhibits hereto, embodies the entire agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein, and no other restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants, or undertakings in relation thereto exist among the parties. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.
- (i) <u>Invalid Provision</u>. In the event that any provision, or any portion of any provision, of this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, or any other portion of any provision, of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.
- (j) <u>Effective Date</u>. This Agreement shall become effective on the date stated in the first_paragraph of this Agreement unless otherwise mutually agreed to by FICC and CME. The Effective Date shall be not earlier than the date on which all necessary regulatory approvals have been received by FICC and CME.
- (k) <u>Force Majeure</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no party hereto shall be liable for any failure to perform or delay in performing its obligations hereunder if such failure or delay is caused by fire, strike, power failure, riot or other civil commotion, acts of nature, acts of federal, state or municipal public authorities, governmentally ordered business or banking moratoria or orders to refrain from using power (whether or not such moratoria or orders are legally authorized), or any other condition or event beyond the reasonable control of the party whose

performance is prevented or delayed. Each party agrees to notify the other promptly upon learning that any such condition or event has occurred and shall cooperate with the other, upon request, in arranging alternative procedures and in otherwise taking reasonable steps to mitigate the effects of any inability to perform or any delay in performing.

16. Arbitration.

- (a) Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, as it may be amended or modified from time to time, including any claim or controversy arising out of or relating to the alleged breach, termination or invalidity thereof and any claim based on federal or state statute, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the then current Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (the "AAA") to the extent that such Rules do not conflict with any provisions of this section. The parties do not, however, appoint the AAA as administrator of the arbitration.
- (b) The arbitration shall be held at a mutually agreed place or at the offices of AAA in New York City if no agreement is reached. It shall be held before a panel of three arbitrators: one appointed by each Clearing Organization and one neutral arbitrator to be appointed by agreement of the party-appointed arbitrators. The neutral arbitrator shall be an attorney with not less than an aggregate of 12 years of experience in legal practice, legal teaching or adjudication. The neutral arbitrator shall act as chairman.
- (c) A party (the "Claimant") may initiate arbitration under this Agreement by sending to the other party or parties ("Respondents"), by overnight courier, a written demand for arbitration containing a description in reasonable detail of (i) the nature of the claim, dispute or controversy it desires to arbitrate, and (ii) the remedy or remedies sought including Claimant's best current information as to the amount of money, if any, sought to be recovered. The arbitration shall be deemed commenced on the date Respondent receives the demand (the "Commencement Date").
- (d) Within seven days after the Commencement Date, Respondent may send to Claimant any written responsive statement to the demand it wishes. Within that time period, Respondent shall send to Claimant or Claimant's counsel, by overnight courier, return receipt requested, a written demand for arbitration of any claims Respondent then wishes to arbitrate against Claimant, containing the same information as in an initial demand.
- (e) Claimants and Respondents may freely amend, restate, clarify or supplement their claims in writing until a reasonable time, not less than 21 days, prior to the first arbitration hearing, except that no wholly new claim may be submitted after selection of the arbitrators without the arbitrators' consent.
- (f) Any award, order or judgment pursuant to such arbitration shall be deemed final and may be entered and enforced in any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of New York. Each party agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of any such court for purposes of the enforcement of any such award, order or judgment.

- (g) Any award of damages pursuant to such arbitration shall be included in a written decision which shall state the reasons upon which the award was based, including all the elements involved in the calculation of any award of damages.
- (h) Any arbitration proceeding hereunder shall be conducted on a confidential basis.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each party shall have the right to apply to any court of competent jurisdiction for temporary injunctive or other preliminary relief.
- (j) (1) There shall be no pre-hearing written interrogatories, written requests for admission, or discovery depositions. The arbitrator may require the parties to respond to limited and reasonable requests for production of documents from the opposing party.
- (2) In considering the extent of pre-hearing document discovery to be permitted, the arbitrators shall consider that reduced time, expense and burden are principal reasons the parties have chosen to resolve their disputes through arbitration rather than court proceedings, and shall require pre-hearing document production only where necessary to avoid injustice. The arbitrator shall require that a party requesting pre-hearing production of documents shall reimburse the producing party for the costs of copying and for the time and fees of the producing party's employees and attorneys in locating, reviewing, organizing and copying requested documents.
- (3) With the approval of the arbitrators, evidence depositions may be taken of witnesses who cannot be subpoenaed to testify at the hearing. The arbitrator may require advance disclosure by the parties of evidence to be offered at the hearing in order to avoid unfair surprise.
- (k) No arbitration arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall include, by consolidation, joinder or in any other manner, any additional person not a party to this Agreement except by written consent containing a specific reference to this Agreement and signed by the Clearing Organizations. Any such written consent to arbitration involving an additional person or persons shall not constitute consent to arbitration of any dispute not described therein or with any person not named or described therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION

By:_____ Print Name:____ Title:____ CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. By:____ Print Name:____ Title:____

APPENDIX A [amended June 2014]

Cross-Margining or Other Loss Sharing Arrangements of CME:

| Agreement | With or Without Priority Over this Agreement After Guaranty Payment is Made |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CME/OCC/NYCC Cross-Margining Agreement dated June 7, 1993. | With priority. |

Cross-Margining or Other Loss Sharing Arrangements of FICC:

| Agreement | With or Without Priority Over this Agreement After Guaranty Payment is Made |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DTC/FICC/NSCC/OCC Multilateral Netting Contract and Limited Cross Guaranty Agreement dated January 1, 2003. | With priority. |
| Portfolio margining arrangement between the FICC Government Securities Division and the FICC Mortgage-Backed Securities Division (upon SEC approval) | With priority. |

APPENDIX B

Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products

The methodology for the conversion of Eurodollar Futures into Treasury Equivalents (TE) is described in Appendix C1.

Eurodollar TE Offset Classes 1-10 contain "conforming strips" associated with Rolling Years 1-10, respectively. "Conforming strips" are defined in Appendix C. Eurodollar Offset Classes 11-20 contain "**non**-conforming" strips associated with Rolling Years 1-10, respectively. Treasury Cash Offset Classes A-G and AA-GG are defined below.

| Read ED Offset Class Down | A/AA | B/BB | C/CC | D/DD | E/EE | F/FF | G/GG |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1 | 65.0% | 45.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| 2 | 65.0% | 40.0% | 25.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 40.0% | 100.0% |
| 3 | 100.0% | 40.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% | 40.0% |
| 4 | 100.0% | 40.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 40.0% |
| 5 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 6 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 7 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 40.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 8 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 40.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% |
| 9 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 45.0% | 40.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% |
| 10 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 45.0% | 40.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% |
| 11 | 70.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| 12 | 70.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% |
| 13 | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 14 | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 15 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 16 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 17 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 18 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 19 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 20 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |

APPENDIX B (continued)

Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CBOT Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products

The methodology for the conversion of CBOT Futures into Treasury Equivalents (TE) is described in Appendix C2.

| | A/AA | B/BB | C/CC | D/DD | E/EE | F/FF | G/GG | e/ee | f/ff |
|----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| TU | 100% | 100% | 25% | 30% | 35% | 40% | 100% | 35% | 40% |
| FV | 100% | 100% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 40% | 25% | 30% |
| TY | 100% | 100% | 40% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| US | 100% | 100% | 100% | 40% | 35% | 30% | 25% | 35% | 30% |
| DZ | 100% | 100% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 40% | 25% | 30% |
| DQ | 100% | 100% | 40% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 25% | 25% |

APPENDIX B (Continued)

CME Eligible Products by Offset Class

Margin Rate Mappings

| CME Offset Classes | Description of Product | FICC Offset Classes For Margin Rate Comparison |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 1 Year | B/BB |
| 2 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 2 Years | C/CC |
| 3 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 3 Years | D/DD |
| 4 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 4 Years | D/DD |
| 5 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 5 Years | E/EE |
| 6 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 6 Years | E/EE |
| 7 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 7 Years | E/EE |
| 8 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 8 Years | F/FF |
| 9 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 9 Years | F/FF |
| 10 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 10 Years | F/FF |
| 11 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 1 Year | B/BB |
| 12 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 2 Years | C/CC |
| 13 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 3 Years | D/DD |
| 14 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 4 Years | D/DD |
| 15 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 5 Years | E/EE |
| 16 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 6 Years | E/EE |
| 17 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 7 Years | E/EE |
| 18 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 8 Years | F/FF |
| 19 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip – 9 Years | F/FF |
| 20 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip — 10 Years | F/FF |

CBOT Eligible Products*

*The delivery months for CBOT's futures are: March, June, September, and December.

Treasuries

| "Two Year" | Offset Class TU: Two Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "Five Year" | Offset Class FV: Five Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
| "Ten Year" | Offset Class TY: Ten Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
| "U.S. Bond" | Offset Class US: Thirty Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures contract and options thereon. |

Agencies

| "Five Year Agency" | Offset Class DZ: Five Year Agency Note Futures contracts that are Non- callable Fannie Mae Benchmark Notes or Freddie Mac Reference Notes |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "Ten Year Agency" | Offset Class DQ: Ten Year Agency Note Futures contracts that are Non-callable Fannie Mae Benchmark Notes or Freddie Mac Reference Notes |

APPENDIX B (continued)

FICC Eligible Products that are Treasuries -- by Offset Class

| FICC Offset Classes* | Description of Product | CME Offset Classes For Margin Rate Comparison |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| A | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 1 day to 6 months +15 days. | N/A |
| AA | FICC GCF Repo® products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class A | |
| В | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 6 months + 16 days to 1 year + 15 days. | 1, 11 |
| BB | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class B | |
| C | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 1 year + 16 days to 2 years + 15 days. | 2, 12 |
| CC | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class C | |

| D | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 2 years + 16 days to 4 years + 15 days. | 3, 4, 13, 14 |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| DD | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class D | |
| E | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 4 years + 16 days to 7 years + 15 days. | 5, 6, 7, 15, 16, 17 |
| EE | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class E | |
| F | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 7 years + 16 days to 15 years + 15 days. | 8 ,9 ,10 ,18, 19, 20 |
| FF | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class F | |
| G | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 15 years + 16 days or greater | N/A |
| GG | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class G | |

^{*}Each FICC Offset Class includes residual positions in the corresponding products that may result from cash (buy-sell) trades, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, when-issued trading and auction awards. The residual positions may consist of current-day and/or forward settling trades. Products that may fall within the above remaining-maturity ranges but are nonetheless **excluded** from cross-margining with CME pursuant to this Agreement are **STRIPS**.

APPENDIX B (continued)

FICC Eligible Products that are Agencies-- by Offset Class

| FICC Offset Classes* | Description of Product |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "Five Year Agency" | Offset Class e: FICC netting eligible securities (Agency Notes) with Remaining Maturity of: 4 years + 16 days to 5 years + 15 days. |
| | Offset Class ee: FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class e |
| "Ten Year Agency" | Offset Class f: FICC netting eligible securities (Agency Notes and Bonds) with Remaining Maturity of: 7 years +16 days to 10 years + 15 days. |
| | Offset Class ff: FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class f |

^{*}Each FICC Offset Class includes residual positions in the corresponding products that may result from cash (buy-sell) trades, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, when-issued trading and auction awards. The residual positions may consist of current-day and/or forward settling trades. Products that may fall within the above remaining-maturity ranges but are nonetheless **excluded** from cross-margining with CME pursuant to this Agreement are **STRIPS**.

APPENDIX C1

CME CALCULATION PROCESS TO CONVERT EURODOLLAR FUTURES AND OPTIONS INTO TREASURY CASH EQUIVALENTS AND TO DETERMINE THE APPLICABLE CME OFFSET CLASSES

- 1. CME shall convert all futures and options positions to delta equivalents. The delta equivalent position of a futures contract position is the number of contracts in that position. CME shall convert all options to delta equivalents using each option's SPAN delta. The delta equivalent of an options position is obtained by multiplying the number of contracts underlying the options positions by the SPAN delta value of that options position. The SPAN delta value is a probability-weighted delta value. The SPAN delta value used in the calculation process of this Appendix shall be calculated in the same manner that CME uses in CME's internal spreading processes.
- 2. CME shall net the delta equivalents such that the net delta equivalents of each quarterly contract expiration are all on the same side of the market, i.e., all long or all short. CME will combine delta equivalents into composite strips. CME shall then calculate the Figure-of-Merit of each strip. A Conforming Strip shall be a strip whose Figure-of-Merit is greater than or equal to the Critical Value. A Non-Conforming Strip shall be a strip whose Figure-of-Merit is less than the Critical Value. The Rolling Year (RY) of the strip is the rolling year of the most long-dated contract in the strip. Rolling years range from 1 to 10.
- 3. The Critical Value is an amount to be agreed upon by both parties. As market conditions warrant, the Critical Value may be changed from time to time by mutual consent of CME and FICC.
- 4. The Figure-of-Merit is:

FOM=[2/[N (D+1)]]
$$x \sum_{i=1}^{D} n_{i} q_{i}$$

where FOM is the Figure-of-Merit, N is the total number of delta equivalents in the strip, D is the depth of the strip, n is the number of delta equivalents in the ith expiry month, and q is the serial number of the ith expiry quarter (q ranges from 1 to a maximum of 40). The depth of a strip is the serial number of the expiry quarter of the most-deferred contract in the strip. The Treasury Equivalent (TE) of the jth long strip is:

$$TE_i = (\$1,000,000 \times 0.25 \times N)/RY_i$$

APPENDIX C1 (Continued)

Example of Figure-of-Merit Calculations

Summary:

| Quantity | Strip 1 | Strip 2 |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| TE, Treasury Equivalent | \$10MM 2-Year | \$10MM 2-Year |
| N, Number of Delta Equivalents | 80 | 80 |
| D, Depth | 8 | 8 |
| FOM | .99 | .49 |
| Status (assuming a .90 critical value) | Conforming | Non-Conforming |
| Offset Class | 2 | 12 |

Details:

| Expiry | Quarter Serial No. | Contents | Net Delta Eqv. | Delta X Quarter |
|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| DEC 00 | 1 | 20 DEC 00 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| MAR 01 | 2 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 01 | 3 | Futures: 5 JUN 01 Options: 11 JUN 01, (DELTA= .5), 4 JUN01 (DELTA=.25) | 11.5 | 34.5 |
| SEP 01 | 4 | 10 SEP 01 | 10.0 | 40.0 |
| DEC 01 | 5 | Futures: 8 DEC 01 Options: 1 DEC 01, (DELTA= .5) | 8.5 | 42.5 |
| MAR 02 | 6 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 02 | 7 | 20 JUN 02 | 20.0 | 140.0 |
| SEP 02 | 8 | 10 SEP 02 | <u>10.0</u> | <u>80.0</u> |
| | | TOTAL | 80.0 | 357.0 |

 $FOM = [(8+1) \times 2/(80)] \times 357.0 = 0.992$

APPENDIX C1 (Continued)

Example of Figure-of-Merit Calculations

Summary:

| Quantity | Strip 1 | Strip 2 |
|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| TE, Treasury Equivalent | \$10MM 2-Year | \$10MM 2-Year |
| N, Number of Delta | 80 | 80 |
| Equivalents | 80 | 80 |
| D, Depth | 8 | 8 |
| FOM | .99 | .49 |
| Status | Conforming | Non-Conforming |
| Offset Class | 2 | 12 |

Details:

| Expiry | Quarter Serial No. | Contents Net Delta Eqv. | | Delta X Quarter |
|--------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------|--------------------|
| DEC 00 | 1 | 40 DEC 00 | 40 | 40.0 |
| MAR 01 | 2 | 20 MAR 01 | 20 | 40.0 |
| JUN 01 | 3 | 10 JUN 01 | 10 | 30.0 |
| SEP 01 | 4 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| DEC 01 | 5 | 5 DEC 01 | 5 | 25.0 |
| MAR 02 | 6 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 02 | 7 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| SEP 02 | 8 | 5 SEP 02 | 5 | 40.0 |
| | | TOTAL | 80.0 | 175.0 |

 $FOM = [(8+1) \times 2/(80)] \times 175.0 = 0.486$

APPENDIX C2

Conversion of Futures Contracts to Treasury Equivalents

CME and FICC shall consider cross margining certain futures contracts and options on those futures contracts against certain offsetting cash Treasury products. Contract eligibility is specified in Appendix B. To facilitate cross margining with FICC, CME shall convert CME's residual futures and options positions to Treasury Equivalents according to the methods described in this Appendix. Each residual position may consist of one and only one eligible futures contract type and options on that futures contract type. For purposes of this Agreement, futures contracts of a certain type have the same specifications for deliverable instruments, quantity, and exchange, but may vary in their specified delivery months.

The Treasury Equivalent (TE) of a residual futures and/or options position shall be computed according to the following formula:

where

$TE = TNCE \times NSC \times S \times C$

TNCE = Total number of contract equivalents.

NSC = The contract size of the underlying futures contract type, in US dollars.

S = Settlement price of the underlying futures contract, expressed as a decimal.

C = Conversion factor.

To determine the TNCE, CME shall use CME's standard and customary procedures for netting and for converting options into delta equivalents. Delta equivalents with respect to futures contracts shall be equal to the number of contracts. Delta equivalents with respect to options contracts shall be equal to the product of the option delta and the number of underlying contracts. The contract size, as specified by CME, shall be the standard contract size. The settlement price shall be the settlement price of the futures contract expiring in the nearest active delivery month. The conversion factor used upon the implementation of the cross-margining program shall be one (1). From time to time, CME and FICC may change the conversion factor by mutual agreement.

APPENDIX D

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION/ CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC.

CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (COMMON MEMBER)

The undersigned ("Member") is a Government Securities Division netting member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") and a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant in the Cross-Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Member agrees to be bound by the FICC Rules and the CME Rules applicable to Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants and by the provisions of the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross-Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of FICC shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of FICC as set forth in FICC's Rules and in the Cross-Margining Agreement, and Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of CME shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of CME as set forth in CME's Rules and in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that each of FICC and CME has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code. Member unconditionally promises immediate payment of any Reimbursement Obligation or Maximization Reimbursement Obligation to a Clearing Organization as set forth in the Cross-Margining Agreement. Member further agrees that, if a Clearing Organization has declared a Default Event with respect to Member, then the other Clearing Organization may declare the Member to be in default under its Rules (such default also shall be considered a "Default Event").

Member agrees that Clearing Data (as hereinafter defined) regarding the Member may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. Clearing Data means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to Member that the calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction pursuant to the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Cross-Margining Reduction.

Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; and (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of self-regulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected.

Without limiting any provision of FICC's Rules, CME's Rules or any other agreement between Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the Member of any rights it may have in the Aggregate Net Surplus (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all Reimbursement Obligations and Maximization Reimbursement Obligations under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. This Agreement may be terminated by the Member upon two Business Days' notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME. Either FICC or CME may terminate this agreement immediately upon notice to the Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the Member's obligations under this Agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York .

| <u>Member</u> | | |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Name of Member: | | |
| By: | | |
| Print Name: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Accepted By: | | |
| Fixed Income Clearing Corporation | | |
| By: | | |
| Print Name: | - | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |
| Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. | | |
| By: | | |
| Print Name: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |
| This Agreement is dated as of [To be filled in | n upon acceptance of | FICC and CME.] |

APPENDIX E

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION/ CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC.

CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (AFFILIATED MEMBERS)

The undersigned "FICC Member" is a Government Securities Division netting member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC"). The undersigned "CME Member" is a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. FICC Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant of FICC, and CME Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant of CME, for purposes of the Cross-Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, FICC Member agrees to be bound by the FICC Rules applicable to Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; CME Member agrees to be bound by the CME Rules applicable to Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; and FICC Member and CME Member both agree to be bound by the provisions of the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross-Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of FICC shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of FICC as set forth in the FICC Rules and the Cross-Margining Agreement, and CME Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of CME shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of CME as set forth in CME's Rules and the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC Member and CME Member agree that each of FICC and CME has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code. FICC Member and CME Member each unconditionally promises immediate payment of any Reimbursement Obligation and Maximization Reimbursement Obligation to a Clearing Organization as set forth in the Cross-Margining Agreement. FICC Member and CME Member further agree that, (i) if FICC has declared a Default Event with respect to FICC Member, then CME may declare CME Member to be in default under its Rules (such default also shall be considered a "Default Event") and (ii) if CME has declared a Default Event with respect to CME Member, then FICC may declare FICC Member to be in default under its Rules (such default also shall be considered a "Default Event").

FICC Member and CME Member agree that Clearing Data may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. Clearing Data means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof, which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding a Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to FICC Member or CME Member that the calculation of the methodology used to determine the Cross-Margin Reduction pursuant to the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Cross-Margining Reduction for either FICC Member or CME Member.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; and (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of self-regulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member further represents and warrants to FICC and CME that they are Affiliates of one another as defined in the Cross-Margining Agreement. FICC Member and CME Member acknowledge and agree that they will be treated as Cross-Margining Affiliates for purposes of the Cross-Margining Arrangement and that, as a result, a default by FICC Member to FICC may result in a loss to CME Member, and a default by CME Member to CME may result in a loss to FICC Member.

Without limiting any provision of FICC's Rules, CME's Rules or any other agreement between FICC Member and/or CME Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the FICC Member or the CME Member of any rights it may have in the Aggregate Net Surplus (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all Reimbursement Obligations and Maximization Reimbursement Obligations under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. This Agreement may be terminated by FICC Member or CME Member upon two Business Days' notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME. Either FICC or CME may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to FICC Member and CME Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the FICC

Member's and the CME Member's obligations under this Agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this agreement. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

| FICC Member | CME Member | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Name of Member: | Name of Member: | | | |
| By: | By: | | | |
| Print Name: | Print Name: | | | |
| Title: | Title: | | | |
| Accepted By: | | | | |
| Fixed Income Clearing Corporation | Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. | | | |
| By: | By: | | | |
| Print Name: | Print Name: | | | |
| Title: | Title: | | | |
| Date: | Date: | | | |
| This Agreement is dated as of | | | | |
| [To be fille | ed in upon acceptance of CME and FICC.] | | | |

APPENDIX F

Methodology for Allocation of Margin Based on Order of Increasing Disallowances

Step 1: FICC's Residual Positions, Residual Margin and Applicable Residual Margin

| Offset Class | <u>Position</u> | FICC Rate | FICC <u>Residual Margin</u> | As if CME <u>Rate</u> | As if CME <u>Margin</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| C D B | \$1,000,000 L \$2,000,000 L <u>\$3,000,000 L</u> \$6,000,000 | 0.30% 0.50% 0.15% | \$ 3,000 10,000 <u>4,500</u> \$17,500 | 0.30% 0.50% 0.15% | \$ 3,000 10,000 <u>4,500</u> \$17,500 |
| Lower Rate | App. Resid. Ma | rgin | | | |
| 0.30% 0.50% 0.15% | 3,000 10,000 4,500 \$17,500 | | | | |

Step 2: COs' Residual Positions, Residual Margin and Applicable Residual Margin

| Offset Class | Position | CO Rate | CO Residual | Margin | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| CME 10 CME 02 CO 01 | (\$5,000,000) S (\$3,000,000) S (\$3,000,000) S (\$11,000,000) | 0.40% 0.50% 0.20% | \$(20,000) (15,000) (6,000) \$(41,000) | | |
| FICC Offset Class | As if FICC R | | s if ICC Margin | Lower <u>Rate</u> | App. Resid. Margin |
| F C | 0.935% 0.30% | <u>\$</u> | 5(46,750) (9,000) | 0.40% | \$(20,000) (9,000) |
| В | 0.15% | \$ | (4,500) 6(60,250) | 0.15% | (4,500) \$(33,500) |

Step 3: Allocation Based on Increasing Disallowance Factors (1)

(1) Factors are not actual, but are hypothetical for purposes of this illustration. In this example, there is no minimum margin factor.

| Disallowance |
|--------------|
| 20% |
| 25% |
| |
| |
| 50% |
| 50% |
| 50% |
| 50% |
| |
| |

Step 4: FICC Computes Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used for Each Pair of Offset Classes Based on Allocation Using the Lowest Disallowance Factors First

Round #1

| | | 20% (FIGC P. GO 01) | . D :134 |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Offset Class | App. Resid. Margin | Used Used | App. Resid. Margin Remaining |
| FICC C | 3,000 | | 3,000 |
| FICC D | 10,000 | | 10,000 |
| FICC B | 4,500 | (4,500) | 0 |
| CME 10 | (20,000) | , , | (20,000) |
| CME 02 | (9,000) | | (9,000) |
| CO 01 | (4,500) | 4,500 | 0 |

Round #2

| | 25% | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| | App. Resid. Margin | (FICC C- CME 02) | App. Resid. Margin | | | |
| Offset Class | Remaining | Used | Remaining | | | |
| FICC C | 3,000 | (3,000) | 0 | | | |
| FICC D | 10,000 | \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ | 10,000 | | | |
| FICC B | 0 | | 0 | | | |
| CME 10 | (20,000) | | (20,000) | | | |
| CME 02 | (9,000) | 3,000 | (6,000) | | | |
| CO 01 | 0 | | 0 | | | |
| <u> </u> | | | | | | |

Round #3

| | | <u>30%</u> | |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | App. Resid. Margin | (FICC D – CME 02) | App. Resid. Margin |
| Offset Class | Remaining | Used | Remaining |
| | | | |
| FICC C | 0 | | 0 |
| FICC D | 10,000 | (6,000) | 4,000 |
| FICC B | 0 | . , | 0 |
| CME 10 | (20,000) | | (20,000) |
| CME 02 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 0 |
| CO 01 | 0 | | 0 |
| | · | | |

Round #4

40% (FICC D -

| D | | |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Remaining | Used | Remaining |
| 0 | | 0 |
| 4,000 | (4,000) | 0 |
| 0 | • | 0 |
| (20,000) | 4,000 | (16,000) |
| 0 | | 0 |
| 0 | | 0 |
| | 0 4,000 0 | 0 4,000 0 (4,000) |

Step 5: Summary of Information

| Dis. | App. Resid. | Amount | Margin | Clearing |
|--------|-------------|------------|--------|-----------|
| Categ. | Marg. Used | Disallowed | Offset | Org. |
| | | | | |
| 20% | 4,500 | 900 | 3,600 | <u>CO</u> |
| 25% | 3,000 | 750 | 2,250 | CME |
| 30% | 6,000 | 1,800 | 4,200 | CME |
| 40% | 4,000 | 1,600 | 2,400 | CME |
| 50% | - | - | - | N/A |
| | 17,500 | 5,050 | 12,450 | |

Summary of Results

| | | FICC | CME 10 | CME 02 | CO 01 | Total COs |
|-----|------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| (a) | Margin Submitted | \$17,500 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 6,000 | 41,000 |
| | Applicable Resid. Marg. Available | 17,500 | 20,000 | 9,000 | 4,500 | 33,500 |
| (b) | Margin Used (in Offset) (in CME | | | | | |
| | or CO terms) | 17,500 | 4,000 | 15,000 | 6,000 | 25,000 |
| (c) | Margin Unused | - | 16,000 | - | - | 16,000 |
| | Margin Offset | 12,450 | 2,400 | 6,450 | 3,600 | 12,450 |
| (d) | Margin Disallowed | 5,050 | 1,600 | 8,550 | 2,400 | 12,550 |
| (e) | Cash Equivalent Used (%) Cash Equivalent | 100% | 20% | 100% | 100% | |
| | Used (Amt.) | 6,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 7,000,000 |

APPENDIX G COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 1 INITIAL MARGIN REQUIREMENT (PRE CROSS-MARGINING).

| CME Residual Position | CME Margin Rate | CME Long Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross- Margining |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Long - 600 Eurodollar contracts expiring in December 2004 | \$500 per contract | \$300,000 (600 contracts* \$500) |

| CO A Residual Position | CO A Margin Rate | CO A Long Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross- Margining |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Long – 100 T-Note contracts expiring in December 2004 - 5- year 6% Notes) | \$700 per contract | \$70,000 (100 contracts* \$700) |

Assumption:

| FICC Residual Position | FICC Margin Rate | FICC Short Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross- Margining |
|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 – Class B | 0.625% | \$62,500 |

APPENDIX G (Continued)

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 2 CONVERT THE RESIDUAL FUTURES POSITION INTO A CASH EQUIVALENT POSITION.

| CME Residual Position | Settlement Price | Conversion | Cash Equivalent Position |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 600 Eurodollar contracts expiring in December 2004 | 95 | (Number of contracts) X (notional value) X (1/4) X (1/years to expiration) | \$30,000,000 |

| CO A Residual Position | Settlement Price | Conversion | Cash Equivalent Position |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 100 T-Note contracts expiring in December 2004 - 5-year 6% Notes) | 100 | (Settlement price) X (number of contracts) x (contract size) x (conversion factor) | \$10,000,000 |

Step 3 CME REPORTS DATA TO FICC

CME reports:

| • | FICC Account ID | 9738 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------|
| • | Source Account ID | XXYY |
| • | Offset class | CME 05 |
| • | Side of the Market | Long |
| • | Scan Range | \$500 |
| • | Scan Risk | \$503 |
| • | Residual Number of Deltas | 300 |
| • | Cash Equivalent | \$30,000,000 |
| | Residual Margin Amount | |

APPENDIX G (Continued)

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 4:

FICC CALCULATES THE EFFECTIVE MARGIN RATE AND DERIVES THE $\underline{APPLICABLE}$ RESIDUAL MARGIN AMOUNT USING THE LOWER OF FICC'S OR CME'S MARGIN RATE.

| Cash-Equivalent Position | CME Effective Margin Rate | FICC Internal Margin Rate | Applicable Long Residual Margin Amount |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$30,000,000 in Offset class CME05 | 1.0% | 0.625% | \$187,500 = (Cash Equivalent Position) X (Lower Margin Rate) (\$30,000,000) X (0.625%) |

CALCULATE THE APPLICABLE RESIDUAL LONG MARGIN AMOUNT USING THE LOWER OF FICC'S OR CO A MARGIN RATE.

| Cash-Equivalent Position | CO A Effective Margin Rate | FICC Internal Margin Rate | Applicable Long Residual Margin Amount |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$10,000,000 in Offset class C | 0.70% | 0.625% | \$62,500 = (Cash Equivalent Position) X (Lower Margin Rate) (\$10,000,000) X (0.625%) |

APPENDIX G (Continued)

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

STEP 5

CALCULATE THE PROPORTIONAL MARGIN ALLOCATION BASED ON <u>APPLICABLE</u> RESIDUAL MARGIN AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO FICC.

NOTE: ALLOCATION BY PRORATION IS ONLY NECESSARY WHEN FICC DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT MARGIN AVAILABLE TO FULLY ABSORB ALL MARGIN PRESENTED TO IT.

- Potential Offsets:
 - FICC Offset Class Available: B (Short)
 CME Offset Class Available: 5 (Long)
 CO A Offset Class Available: C (Long)
- Options for Offset in Priority Order
 - FICC B vs. CME 5......30% disallowance
 FICC B vs. CO A C.....30% disallowance
- Since the disallowance factors are equal, the positions presented to FICC by both CME and CO-A are equally correlated.
- FICC's position is prorated based on the amounts computed by FICC as "Applicable".
- This hypothetical example assumes there is no minimum margin factor.

| Total Applicable Residual Margin Amount | CME Applicable Residual Margin Amount | CO A Applicable Residual Margin Amount | Proportion Allocable to CME | Proportion Allocable to CO A | |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| \$250,000 : all in the 30% category | \$187,500 | \$62,500 | 75% | 25% | |

Step 6 CALCULATE THE FICC RESIDUAL POSITION AND MARGIN AMOUNT ALLOCABLE TO CME AND CO A

| FICC Residual Position | FICC's Internal Margin Rate | FICC Residual Margin Amount | Residual Margin Amount Allocable to CME (at 75%) | FICC Residual Position Allocable to CME (at 75%) |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 | 0.625% | Short \$62,500 | \$46,875 | \$7,500,000 |

| FICC Residual Position | FICC's Internal Margin Rate | FICC Residual Margin Amount | Margin Amount Allocable to CO A (at 25%) | FICC Residual Position Allocable to CO A (at 25%) |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 | 0.625% | Short \$62,500 | \$15,625 | 2,500,000 |

STEP 7 FICC REPORTS RESULTS TO CME

Repeated Information from the inbound file:

| • | FICC Account ID | 9738 |
|---|---------------------------|--------------|
| | Source Account ID | |
| • | Offset class | CME 05 |
| • | Price Scan Range | \$500 |
| • | Scan Risk | |
| • | Side of the Market | Long |
| • | Residual Number of Deltas | 300 |
| • | Cash Equivalent | \$30,000,000 |
| | Residual Margin Amount | |
| | ŭ | • , |

FICC Class ID:

| • | Residual Margin Used | 75,000 |
|---|------------------------|-----------|
| | Residual Margin Unused | |
| • | Cash Equivalent Used | 7,500,000 |
| | Cash Equivalent Unused | |
| | Margin Disallowed | |
| | Margin Reduction | |

Errors (if applicable):

- Error Code
- Error Reason

FICC Starting Position:

| • | FICC Class ID | B |
|---|--------------------|--------------|
| • | Side of the Market | Short |
| • | Cash Equivalent | \$10,000,000 |

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| • | FICC Class ID | B |
|---|----------------------|---|
| | Residual Margin Used | |
| | Cash Equivalent Used | |
| | Margin Disallowed | |
| | Margin Reduction | |

APPENDIX H

Data Elements to Be Provided by CME and Returned by FICC

Cross Margining Input File – Data Elements

Header

- 1. FICC Account ID
- Source Account ID
- 3. Source Class ID
- 4. Scan Range
- 5. Scan Risk
- 6. Side of the Market
- 7. Residual Number of Deltas
- 8. Cash Equivalent
- 9. Residual Margin Amount

<u>Trailer</u>

Cross Margining Output File—Data Elements:

<u>Header</u>

- 1. FICC Account ID
- 2. Source Account ID
- 3. Source Class ID
- 4. Side of the Market
- 5. Residual Number of Deltas
- 6. Residual Margin Amount
- 7. Residual Margin Used
- 8. Residual Margin Unused
- 9. Cash Equivalent Used
- 10. Cash Equivalent Unused
- 11. Margin Disallowed
- 12. Margin Reduction

Spread Formed

- 1. FICC Class ID
- 2. Residual Margin Used
- 3. Cash Equivalent Used
- 4. Margin Disallowed
- 5. Margin Reduction

FICC Positions

- 6. FICC Class ID
- 7. Side of the Market
- 8. Cash Equivalent

Error Codes and Reasons

- 1. Error Code
- 2. Error Reason

<u>Trailer</u>

APPENDIX H (continued)

Approximate Time Frames

| Transmission | Approximate Time |
|------------------|------------------|
| CME Input File | 11:00 p.m. (NY) |
| FICC Output File | 1:00 a.m. (NY) |

APPENDIX I

Loss Sharing Process

1. Determine the Cross Margin Gain (CMG) or Cross Margin Loss (CML) (isolating the side of the market that was offset) in each Offset Class (without regard to any Available Margin) for each Clearing Organization (CO), on a pro rata basis in proportion to Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used versus the total Applicable Residual Margin Amount in each such Offset Class.

When multiple COs are cross-margining with FICC, all of the calculations in this Appendix J will be applied to each FICC - CO arrangement, in accordance with each CO's pro rata share computed for each Offset Class.

The party who liquidates to a CMG or smaller CML is the "better off" party; the other party is the "worse-off" party. This designation does not change during or as a result of the loss-sharing process.

- 2. If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization. If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross Margin Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such Guaranties will offset one another and no Preliminary Payment Obligation is due. However, there may, nevertheless, be a Maximization Payment due under Section 8C of the Agreement.
- 3. Determine the "<u>Preliminary Payment Obligation</u>" of the better off party to the worse-off party as the <u>lowest</u> of:
 - (i) The CML on all Used Positions of the worse-off party;
 - (ii) The higher of (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or (b) the CMG of the better-off party, if any;
 - (iii) The amount required to equalize the two parties' Cross Margin Gains (Losses);
 - (iv)The amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better-off party's CML if *both* parties have CMLs.

Payment in immediately available funds to be made within 3 Business Days following the calculation of the CMG/CML.

¹ Exclusively as it relates to the independent liquidation of all Used Positions in cross-margining, and without regard to any Margin.

- 4. Determine whether an Adjustment Payment needs to be made, reflecting a return from the worse off party to the better off party of all or a portion of the Preliminary Payment Obligation. The amount of the Adjustment Payment will be the **lower** of:
 - (i) The Preliminary Payment Obligation (as determined in Step 3 above), or
 - (ii) The Aggregate Net Surplus (taking into account all Available Margin) of the worse off party.

Adjustment Payment to be made in immediately available funds within 3 Business Days following the calculation of the Aggregate Net Surplus (Aggregate Net Loss) amounts.

5. If, after satisfying all losses, including those unrelated to the cross-margining arrangement, one party has a remaining Aggregate Net Surplus, such Aggregate Net Surplus would be made available to the other party, subject to the priorities set forth in this Agreement, in the form a Maximization Payment, if the other party has an Aggregate Net Loss.

APPENDIX J

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

Assumptions Related to Applicable Residual Margin Amounts

| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual Margin An | | unts Used | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Offset Class | CO A | CO B | FICC | CO A | CO B | |
| | | | | | | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 10,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 10,000,000 L | 60,000,000 S |
| | | | | | | |
| Liquidation Desults | | | | | | |

Liquidation Results

| | Gain/(Loss) on Residual Positions | | | Cross Margin Gain/ (Loss) | | | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|--|
| Offset Class | CO A | <u>CO B</u> | FICC | CO A | <u>CO B</u> | FICC | |
| | | | | | | <u>FICC</u> | |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (5,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (5,000,000) | (12,000,000) | |

Concepts Illustrated:

- With multilateral cross margining, eligible gain/loss is proportional. (i.e. FICC allocates 40% or \$60 / \$150 to participating COs.) Accordingly, 40% of FICC's gain or loss in that Offset Class will be allocated to the participating CO. (i.e. 40% of \$30 million is \$12 million)
- Cross Margin Gain / Cross Margin Loss is calculated without regard to Available Margin.
- This example assumes no disallowance and no minimum margin requirements.

APPENDIX J (Continued)

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

Step 1: Determine the Cross Margin Gains/Losses from Used Positions separately for each CO, in this Example CO A.

| Offset Class | Applicable Residual CO A | Margin Amounts <u>FICC</u> | Applicable Residual Mar | gin Amounts Used FICC |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L 150,000,000 S | | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S (1/3 rd allocated) |
| Liquidation Results | Gain/(on Residua | | Cross Margin G | ain/(Loss) |
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO A</u> | FICC |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) |
| | | | | (1/3 rd allocated) |

Concepts Illustrated:

- Cross Margin Gain / Cross Margin Loss is proportional to the percentage of the Applicable Residual Margin Used.
- Cross Margin Gain/Cross Margin Loss is calculated without regard to Available Margin.
- This example assumes no disallowance and no minimum margin requirements.

If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization. If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross-Margining Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such guaranties shall offset one another and no Preliminary Payment Obligation to either Clearing Organization is due. Otherwise, proceed to Step 2.

APPENDIX J (Continued)

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

Step 2: Determine the Preliminary Payment Obligation

| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual I | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used | | Reduction |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | FICC | <u>CO A</u> | FICC | CO A | FICC |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S |

Liquidation Results

| _ | Gain/(I on Residual | , | Cross Margi | in Gain/(Loss) |
|--------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO A</u> | FICC |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) |

The Preliminary Payment Obligation is determined based on the following formula:

Calculate the **lowest** of:

| (i) Cross Margin Loss of the "worse-off" party | | 70,000,000 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| (ii) Higher of: (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or, (b) any Cross Margin Gain of the "better-off" party. | 50 mil not applicable | ı |
| | | 50,000,000 |
| (iii) Amount required to equalize the parties' Cross Margin Gains (Losses). | | 30,000,000 |
| (iv) Amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better off party's Cross Margin Loss if both parties have Cross Margin Losses. | | 40,000,000 |

Result: Preliminary Payment Obligation is calculated and made based on the lowest amount computed above, in this case \$30,000,000.

APPENDIX J (Continued) Examples of Loss Sharing Process

Step 3:Determine whether an Adjustment Payment needs to be made where the worse off party returns all or part of the Preliminary Payment Obligation.

| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used | | Cross Margin Reduction | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | FICC | CO A | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | FICC |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S |
| Liquidation Results | | | | | | |

| | Gain/(Loss) on Residual Positions | | | Cross Margin Gain/(Loss) | | Aggregate Net Overall Surplus/(Loss) Including All Available Margin | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|---|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Offset Class | CO A | FICC | • | CO A | FICC | CO A | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) | (85,000,000) | 50,000,000 |

Determine the Adjustment Payment as the lesser of the:

- Preliminary Payment Obligation (as determined in Step 2 above), or \$30,000,000
- Aggregate Net Surplus (taking into account all Available Margin) of the worse-off party. \$0

<u>Result</u>: No Adjustment Payment is made because the worse off party does not have excess in other products.

APPENDIX J (Continued) Examples of Loss Sharing Process

Step 4: Maximization Payment

| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used | | Cross Margin Reduction | |
|--------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | FICC | <u>CO A</u> | FICC | <u>CO A</u> | FICC |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S |

Liquidation Results

| | Gain/(Loss) on Residual Positions | | Cross Margin Gain/(Loss) | | Aggregate Net Overall Surplus/(Loss) Including All Available Margin | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Offset Class | CO A | FICC | CO A | FICC | CO A | FICC |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) | (85,000,000) | 55,000,000 |
| Preliminary Payment Obligation | | | | | 30,000,000 | (30,000,000) |
| Aggregate Overall Surplus / Loss | | | | | (55,000,000) | 25,000,000 |

 $\underline{Maximization\ Payment} \hbox{:}\ FICC's\ \$25,\!000,\!000\ is\ subject\ to\ a\ pro\ rata\ allocation\ amongst\ CME\ and\ the\ Other\ COs\ as\ more\ completely\ described\ in\ the\ Agreement.$

APPENDIX K

TIMING OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE BASE AMOUNT OF THE GUARANTY

| Business Day for which Cross- Margining Reduction is calculated | Cross-Margining Reduction as Reported by FICC at 1:00 a.m.* | Base Amount of the Guaranty Equals: |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Monday</u> | \$10 million | On Tuesday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million |
| | | On Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. = \$10 million |
| Tuesday | \$9 million | On Wednesday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million On Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. = \$9 million |
| Wednesday | \$9 million | On Thursday at 1:00 a.m. = \$9 million On Thursday at 11:00 a.m. = \$9 million |
| Thursday | \$7 million | On Friday at 1:00 a.m. = \$9 million On Friday at 11:00 a.m. = \$7 million |
| <u>Friday</u> | \$10 million | On Saturday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million On Monday at 11:00 a.m. = \$10 million |

^{*} All times are in New York time.

Clean copy of proposed Restated Agreement

AMENDED AND RESTATED CROSS-MARGINING AGREEMENT

| Thi | s Amended | and Restated | Cross-Margining | Agreement | (this "Ag | greement") | is |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|----|
| entered int | o as of this _ | day of | , 2023 by | Fixed Income | e Clearin | g Corporatio | on |
| ("FICC"), | a New Yor | k corporation, | and Chicago Men | rcantile Exch | ange Inc | . ("CME"), | a |
| Delaware | corporation | (FICC and CM | E, each a "Party" a | and together, | the "Part | ies"). | |

RECITALS

- A. FICC is registered as a clearing agency with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and acts as a clearing organization for transactions involving U.S. Government securities, securities of U.S. federal Agencies and U.S. Governmentsponsored enterprises, financing products and certain mortgage-backed securities.
- B. CME is registered as a derivatives clearing organization with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "CFTC") under the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "CEA"), and acts as a clearing organization for futures contracts and options on futures contracts, including U.S. dollar-denominated interest rate and fixed income futures contracts and options on such contracts, and swaps.
- C. FICC and CME have established a cross-margining arrangement whereby (i) an entity that is a Clearing Member (defined below) of both FICC and CME (a "Joint Clearing Member") and (ii) a Clearing Member of one such Clearing Organization that has an Affiliate (defined below) that is a Clearing Member of the other such Clearing Organization (a "Cross-Margining Affiliate") may elect to have positions in Eligible Products (defined below) at CME and positions in Eligible Products at FICC carried in a Cross-Margining Account (defined below) and margined based upon the combined risk presented by positions in Eligible Products.
- D. In order to facilitate such cross-margining arrangement, FICC and CME entered into that certain Cross-Margining Agreement, dated as of January 2, 2004 as amended (the "Original Agreement"), whereby CME guarantees certain obligations of Cross-Margining Participants to FICC, and FICC guarantees certain obligations of Cross-Margining Participants to CME, with reimbursement of amounts paid under such guarantees being collateralized by the positions and Margin of such Cross-Margining Participants held by the Guarantor.
- E. FICC and CME now desire to amend and restate the Original Agreement to, among other things, enhance the efficiency of the current arrangement between the Parties, and to amend and restate the Original Agreement in its entirety on the terms set forth herein.

AGREEMENTS

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, certain other terms used in this Agreement shall be defined as follows:
- (a) "Affiliate" means, when used in respect of a Clearing Member of one Clearing Organization, a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such particular Clearing Member. Ownership of 50% or more of the equity interests of the relevant entity will conclusively be deemed to be in control of that entity for purposes of this definition.
 - (b) "Allocated Net Gain" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(c)(i).
 - (c) "Allocated Net Loss" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(c)(i).
 - (d) "Bankruptcy Code" shall mean 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.
 - (e) "Beneficiary" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).
- (f) "Business Day" means each day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements.
 - (g) "CEA" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (h) "CFTC" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (i) "Claims and Losses" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(b).
- (j) "Clearing Member" means, with respect to FICC, any member of the netting system of the Government Securities Division of FICC deemed eligible for cross-margining by FICC, and with respect to CME, any clearing member of CME deemed eligible for cross-margining by CME.
- (k) "Clearing Member Agreement" means the agreement set forth as Appendix A or B, as applicable, between the Clearing Organizations and a Clearing Member and, if applicable, its Cross-Margining Affiliate that elects to participate in the cross-margining arrangement established pursuant to this Agreement and the Rules.
- (l) "Clearing Organization" means either FICC, acting through its Government Securities Division or CME and "Clearing Organizations" means both FICC and CME.
 - (m) "CME" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- (n) "CME Eligible Products" means certain contracts cleared by CME as listed on Exhibit A, and as modified from time to time upon mutual agreement of the Parties, as set forth in Section 6(a).

- (o) "CME Guaranty Fund" means the Base Guaranty Fund established pursuant to CME Rules.
 - (p) "CME's Debtor" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).
- (q) "Collateral on Hand" means the Margin held by a Clearing Organization with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member immediately prior to the time at which the Default Event occurred.
 - (r) "Combined Portfolio" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(a).
 - (s) "Confidential Information" has the meaning set forth in Section 10(a).
- (t) "Cross-Margining Account" means, with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the transactions, positions and margin maintained in the Account (as defined in the GSD Rules) at FICC that are identified in FICC's books and records as being subject to this Agreement, and, with respect to a Clearing Member of CME, means a cross-margining account that is carried on the books of CME for such Clearing Member that is limited to the transactions, positions and Margin of the Proprietary Accounts of such Clearing Member that are subject to this Agreement.
- (u) "Cross-Margin Positions" means, with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the securities that have been identified by FICC at the time of default to be subject to the Cross-Margin Agreement.
- (v) "Cross-Margin Requirement" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant, the joint amount of Margin required by the Clearing Organizations with respect to the Cross-Margining Participant's Combined Portfolio for its separate Cross-Margining Accounts at each Clearing Organization as provided in Section 4(a).
- (w) "Cross-Margin VM Gain" or "Cross-Margin VM Loss" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC.
 - (x) "Cross-Margining Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (y) "Cross-Margining Participant" means a Joint Clearing Member that has become, or a Clearing Member that is part of a pair of affiliated Clearing Members each of which has become, a participant in the cross-margining arrangement between FICC and CME established pursuant to this Agreement. In the latter case, the term "Cross-Margining Participant" shall, where the context requires, refer collectively to the pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates.
 - (z) "Default Event" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(a).
 - (aa) "Defaulting Member" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(a).
 - (bb) "Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 18(j).

- (cc) "Eligible Positions" means positions in CME Eligible Products or positions in FICC Eligible Products in a Cross-Margining Account.
- (dd) "Eligible Products" means the products listed on Exhibit A for CME and Exhibit B for FICC in each case attached hereto, and any other products mutually agreed to in the future between the Parties by amendment to Exhibit A and Exhibit B, respectively.
 - (ee) "Exchange Act" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (ff) "FICC" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
 - (gg) "FICC Clearing Fund" means the clearing fund established pursuant to GSD Rules.
- (hh) "FICC Eligible Products" means certain Government securities cleared by FICC as listed on Exhibit B, and as modified from time to time upon mutual agreement of the Parties, as set forth in Section 6(a).
 - (ii) "FICC's Debtor" has the meaning set forth in Section 9(a).
 - (jj) "GSD" means FICC's Government Securities Division.
- (kk) "GSD Account" means, with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the Accounts (as defined under the GSD Rules) of the Clearing Member at FICC which includes positions that are cross-margined pursuant to this Agreement and positions that are not cross-margined pursuant to this Agreement.
 - (ll) "Guarantor" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).
- (mm) "Guaranty" means the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, as in effect at a particular time with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8 and 9 of this Agreement. The term "Guaranties" refers to both the Guaranty of CME to FICC and the Guaranty of FICC to CME, including, without limitation, the obligation to make the Payment Obligation.
 - (nn) "Indebtedness to CME" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).
 - (oo) "Indebtedness to FICC" has the meaning set forth in Section 9(a)
 - (pp) "Indemnified Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(a)
 - (qq) "Indemnitor" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(a).
 - (rr) "Joint Clearing Member" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (ss) "Liquidation Cost" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member at a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net gain or net loss, realized in the liquidation, transfer or management of Eligible Positions held by the Clearing Organization in the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, including, without limitation, (i) any Variation Margin owed to the Defaulting Member by the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which

shall constitute gains); (ii) any Variation Margin owed by the Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute losses); and (iii) any reasonable costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Clearing Organization in connection therewith.

- (tt) "Margin" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant, any type of performance bond or initial margin, including deposits or pledges of CME original margin, FICC Actual Deposits (as defined under the GSD Rules) and option premiums held in or for the Cross-Margining Account of such Cross-Margining Participant at a Clearing Organization, and other margin collateral, whether in the form of cash, securities, letters of credit or other assets of such Cross-Margining Participant, required or held by or for the account of a Clearing Organization to secure the obligations of such Cross-Margining Participant with respect to the CrossMargining Account carried at the Clearing Organization, to a Clearing Organization under this Agreement, the Clearing Member Agreement and the Rules, and all proceeds of the foregoing.
- (uu) "Margin Reduction" means, the amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement for its Cross-Margining Account at a Clearing Organization is reduced by such Clearing Organization pursuant to Section 4(a) of this Agreement.
- (vv) "Net Gain" or "Net Loss" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member held at a Clearing Organization, the sum of the (i) Collateral on Hand; and (ii) Liquidation Cost. If such amount is a positive number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Gain" with respect to the relevant account. If such amount is a negative number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Loss" with respect to the relevant account. If the Liquidation Cost amounted to a gain, it shall be a positive number for this calculation. If the Liquidation Cost amounted to a loss, it will be a negative amount for this calculation.
- (ww) "Other VM Gain" or "Other VM Loss" means: (x) with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to FICC due to the Funds-Only Settlement payments (as defined in the GSD Rules) arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the portion of the Defaulting Member's GSD Accounts that does not include the positions in the Cross-Margining Account at FICC; and (y) with respect to a Defaulting Member of CME, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to CME arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the positions (excluding positions in IRS Contracts (as defined under CME's Rules)) or positions that are commingled with positions in IRS Contracts pursuant to CME Rule 8G831 in the Defaulting Member's accounts (but excluding its Cross-Margining Account) at CME.
 - (xx) "Original Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (yy) "Party" and "Parties" have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- (zz) "Payment Obligation" means the amount, if any, determined in accordance with Section 7, payable by one Clearing Organization to the other Clearing Organization.
- (aaa) "Proprietary Account" has the meaning given that term in CFTC Regulation 1.3(y). Unless otherwise expressly provided, the term "Proprietary Account" includes the Proprietary Cross-Margining Account of a Cross-Margining Participant of CME.

- (bbb) "Reimbursement Obligation" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).
- (ccc) "Rules" means, as applicable, the Rulebook of FICC's Government Securities Division ("GSD Rules") or the Rules of CME ("CME Rules"), as they may be in effect from time to time.
 - (ddd) "SEC" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (eee) "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" means, in respect of a Clearing Organization, the ratio calculated by dividing (i) the amount of Margin required for the Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization after taking into account the Margin Reduction set forth in Section 4(a), by (ii) the Cross-Margining Requirement.
- (fff) "Stand-Alone Margin Requirement" means, as to each Clearing Organization, the Margin requirement that such Clearing Organization would calculate with respect to a Cross-Margining Account it carries as if calculated by such Clearing Organization without regard to this Agreement or another cross-margining agreement.
- (ggg) "Variation Margin" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC from the time immediately prior to a Default Event until the time the liquidation of a Defaulting Member is complete for both CME and FICC.

2. <u>Participation</u>.

- (a) FICC and CME shall each determine which of its Clearing Members is eligible to become a Cross-Margining Participant; provided that in order to become a Cross Margining Participant, a Clearing Member must be a Joint Clearing Member or be an Affiliate of a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that both Clearing Organizations have determined to be eligible to be a Cross-Margining Participant. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, upon acceptance of a Clearing Member as a Cross-Margining Participant, and the Clearing Organizations shall mutually agree on a start date for the Cross-Margining Participant.
- (b) A Joint Clearing Member shall become a Cross-Margining Participant upon the acceptance by FICC and CME of a Clearing Member Cross-Margining Agreement (Joint Clearing Member) in the form of Appendix A hereto.
- (c) A Clearing Member of FICC or CME and its Affiliate that is a Clearing Member at the other Clearing Organization shall become Cross-Margining Participants and Cross-Margining Affiliates of one another upon the acceptance by FICC and CME of a Clearing Member Cross-Margining Agreement (Affiliated Clearing Members) in the form of Appendix B hereto.
- (d) Either FICC or CME may require a Cross-Margining Participant to provide an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability of the provisions of this Agreement and the Rules of the applicable Clearing Organization with respect to such Cross-Margining Participant and, if applicable, its Cross-Margining Affiliate.

- (e) In addition to the rights of each Clearing Organization under Section 7 of the Agreement, either FICC or CME may terminate the participation of a particular Cross-Margining Participant (including, if applicable, a Cross-Margining Affiliate at such Clearing Organization) upon two Business Days' prior written notice to the other Clearing Organization provided, however, that no such termination shall be effective with respect to any Reimbursement Obligation or Guaranty with respect to that Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate that is incurred prior to the effectiveness of any such termination.
- 3. <u>Establishment of Cross-Margining Accounts</u>. Each Cross-Margining Account, and all Eligible Positions and Margin contained therein or deposited in respect thereof, shall be subject to this Agreement, the Clearing Member Agreement and the Rules. If CME determines at any time that any Eligible Position held in a Cross-Margining Participant's Cross-Margining Account at CME are non-risk reducing, CME may either restrict the addition of Eligible Positions to the Cross-Margining Account at CME or require the Cross-Margining Participant to move or liquidate such Eligible Positions at CME.

4. <u>Calculation of Cross-Margin Requirements.</u>

- (a) On each Business Day, the Cross-Margin Requirement for the Combined Portfolio, and the corresponding reduction in the Margin required (if any) for each Cross-Margining Account shall be determined as follows. Each Clearing Organization will calculate the difference between (x) the sum of the Stand-Alone Margin Requirements for the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products in the relevant Cross-Margining Accounts and (y) the Margin it would require if the combined portfolio of the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products were held in a single account (the "Combined Portfolio") and determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived for such accounts by margining the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products as a Combined Portfolio. The Clearing Organizations will then compare their respective margin savings percentages, and, if the lesser of such margin savings percentage exceeds the threshold agreed by the Clearing Organizations from time to time, each Clearing Organization will then reduce the Margin required to be deposited by a Clearing Member at such Clearing Organization with respect to the CME Eligible Products or the FICC Eligible Products, as applicable, by the lower of such margin savings percentages. If the respective margin savings percentages are less than the threshold agreed by the Clearing Organizations from time to time, no Margin Reduction will be applied. The Cross-Margin Requirement with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant may not be changed without the consent of both Clearing Organizations.
- (b) Neither CME nor FICC shall permit positions in CME Eligible Products or in FICC Eligible Products, respectively, that are carried in a Cross-Margining Account A pursuant to this Agreement to be subject to any other cross-margin arrangement.
- (c) Either Clearing Organization may in its sole discretion and at any time require a Cross-Margining Participant to deposit an amount of Margin which exceeds such Cross-Margining Participant's Stand-Alone Margin Requirement at such Clearing Organization.
- (d) Absent gross negligence or willful misconduct, neither Clearing Organization shall have liability to the other Clearing Organization or to any other person based solely upon the fact that information given or calculated by such Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section 4 was

inaccurate or inadequate. The liability of CME and FICC to any Cross-Margining Participant, Cross-Margining Affiliate or third party shall be as further provided in CME Rules and GSD Rules.

(e) Although it is contemplated that the Cross-Margin Requirement may be less than the sum of the Stand-Alone Margin Requirements, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring such result. Any calculation of a Cross-Margin Requirement shall not result in any guarantee to a Cross-Margining Participant that such calculation will yield the lowest possible Cross-Margin Requirement.

5. [Reserved]

6. <u>Daily Procedures for Exchange of Portfolio Cross-Margining Data.</u>

- (a) FICC and CME shall establish a separate service level agreement ("SLA"), including time frames, to exchange on each Business Day such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Account and to calculate the Cross-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant. The SLA will also include: (i) operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in Section 7 of this Agreement; and (ii) the process and criteria under which FICC or CME may make a request to the other Clearing Organization to modify its list of CME Eligible Products or FICC Eligible Products, as applicable. Such process will include that only products that do not require a change to FICC or CME's margin model are be permitted to be subject to this process, and any modification requires the mutual written consent of both Parties. Each Clearing Organization shall furnish such additional information as the other Clearing Organization may reasonably request in relation to this Agreement.
- (b) FICC and CME agree that each will notify the other Clearing Organization promptly if an event occurs that reflects, in the sole discretion of the notifying Clearing Organization, a material problem with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant. Examples of such an event shall include, but shall not be limited to, the events requiring notice pursuant to Section 16 of this Agreement.

7. Suspension and Liquidation of Cross-Margining Participant.

terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of a Cross-Margining Participant (a "Defaulting Member"). When the Clearing Member against which FICC or CME exercises such rights is part of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, the term "Defaulting Member" covers the Cross Margining Affiliates together or individually as the context requires. Upon such event (the "Default Event"), the Clearing Organization that has taken the foregoing actions (the "Liquidating CO") shall immediately by telephone or in person, and thereafter in writing, notify the other Clearing Organization of the actions it has taken. The other Clearing Organization shall then immediately notify the Liquidating CO whether it will take similar action under its Rules. If the other Clearing Organization notifies the Liquidating CO that it will take such similar action, then both Clearing Organization notifies the Liquidating CO that it will not take such similar action, then the other Clearing Organization (the "Non-Liquidating CO") shall immediately

require the Defaulting Member to pay the Non-Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the sum of (x) its Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO, and (y) its Margin Reduction at the Non-Liquidating CO, within one hour of demand. If the Non-Liquidating CO receives this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, within such timeframe, it shall, within one hour of such receipt, pay the Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the Defaulting Member's Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO. After the Non-Liquidating CO makes such payment in full, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, it shall have no further obligations to the Liquidating CO under this Agreement with respect to the Default Event. If the Non-Liquidating CO does not receive this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, within one hour of such receipt or other agreed upon timeframe, then it will cease to act for the Defaulting Member, and it, along with the Liquidating CO shall promptly take the steps set forth in subparagraph (b) below.

- (b) The Clearing Organizations shall take the following steps:
 - (i) First, the Clearing Organizations shall attempt in good faith to jointly transfer, liquidate or close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts carried for the Defaulting Member (the "Relevant Positions"). To the extent the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(i) and not under Section 7(b)(iii), the loss sharing provisions set forth in Section 7(c) shall apply and the loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall not apply.
 - (ii) Second, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, any Clearing Organization ("X") may, upon written notice to the other Clearing Organization ("Y"), offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made and any remaining collateral relating thereto from Y (which Y may accept or reject in its sole discretion). If such a buy-out occurs, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Y shall have no further obligations to X under this Agreement with respect to the Default Event. For the avoidance of doubt, the loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(c), 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall not apply if the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(ii).
 - (iii) If a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to Paragraphs (b)(i) or (b)(ii) above, it shall so notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization shall promptly transfer, liquidate or otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization. The loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall apply to the extent the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(iii).

- (c) To the extent a joint liquidation occurs as described in Section 7(b)(i), the following provisions shall apply:
 - (i) Each Clearing Organization shall calculate its individual Net Gain or individual Net Loss, if any, taking into account solely its individual Collateral on Hand and its individual Liquidation Cost.
 - (ii) Using the individual Net Gains or individual Net Losses calculated in 7(c)(i) above, the Clearing Organizations shall jointly calculate the sum of the combined Net Gains and Net Losses, if any, of the Clearing Organizations with respect to the Cross-Margining Accounts of the Defaulting Member. Any resulting combined Net Gain or combined Net Loss shall be allocated *pro rata* between the Clearing Organizations based on each Clearing Organization's Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement (its "Allocated Net Gain" or "Allocated Net Loss", as applicable).
 - (iii) If a Clearing Organization has an individual Net Gain that is less than its Allocated Net Gain, an individual Net Loss that is greater than its Allocated Net Loss or an individual Net Loss when the joint liquidation resulted in a combined Net Gain (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (c)(iii), the "worse-off party") then the other Clearing Organization shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the difference between the worse-off party's individual Net Gain or Net Loss and its Allocated Net Gain and Allocated Net Loss.
 - (iv) For the purposes of determining any Net Gain or Net Loss under Section 7(c)(i)-(iii), neither Clearing Organization shall include any amount paid or received under Section 7(c)(v) and (vi) in the calculation of Net Gain and Net Loss.
 - (v) The following shall apply:
 - (1) If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Gain with respect to a Defaulting Member, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Cross-Margin VM Gain; provided that the VM Payor shall not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in an individual Net Loss to it or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment described in Section 7(c)(vi) below.

- (2) If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss and the sum of these amounts (hereinafter "Aggregate VM Gain") is positive, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Aggregate VM Gain unless the Parties otherwise agree that the VM Payor shall pay a higher amount; provided that the VM Payor shall not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in an individual Net Loss to it or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment described in Section 7(c)(vi) below.
- (3) If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member and the sum of these two amounts is negative, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to the Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall not be required to make a payment to the VM Receiver unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- (vi) The deadline for any payments pursuant to the foregoing paragraphs shall be jointly determined by the Clearing Organizations. After the completion of the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, any VM Receiver shall be obligated to pay to the VM Payor any amounts received by the VM Receiver pursuant to Section 7(c)(v) in connection with the liquidation, *provided*, *however*, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, a VM Receiver shall only be required to pay such amount to the VM Payor if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment. The obligation of the VM Receiver to pay any such amounts shall be netted and offset against any payment obligation of the VM Payor pursuant to Section 7
- (d) If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, both Clearing Organizations have a Net Gain or a Net Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8 and 9 below.
- (e) If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (e), the "worse-off party") and the other has a Net Gain (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (e), the "better-off party") that is equal to or exceeds the absolute value of the worse-off party's Net Loss, then the better-off party shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the absolute

value of such Net Loss; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the better-off party shall only be required to pay the amount of such Net Loss to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

- (f) If either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (solely for the purposes of this Paragraph (f), the "worse-off party") and the other Clearing Organization has a Net Gain (solely for the purposes of this Paragraph (f), the "better-off party") that is less than or equal to the absolute value of the worse-off party's Net Loss, then the better-off party shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to such Net Gain; *provided, however*, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the better-off party shall only be required to pay the amount of such Net Gain to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.
- (g) FICC and CME shall each determine as soon as practicable the Net Gain or Net Loss of that Clearing Organization. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, of the amount of its own Net Gain or Net Loss and, in such detail as may reasonably be requested, the means by which such calculations were made. If FICC is obligated to make a payment of the Payment Obligation to CME, or CME is obligated to make a payment of the Payment Obligation to FICC, in respect of a Guaranty, the Clearing Organization obligated to make such payment shall do so promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation by both Clearing Organizations of their Net Gain or Net Loss, as applicable. All payments required to be made under this Paragraph (g) shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (h) If at any time within 90 calendar days following the date on which a payment is made under Paragraph (g), either Clearing Organization determines that any amount paid to or received from the other Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section 7 in respect of a Guaranty was incorrect either because of errors in calculation at the time or because new information relevant to the determination of such amount was discovered after the determination of such amount, the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information shall notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, the Clearing Organizations shall: (i) cooperate with one another to recalculate the appropriate amount of any Guaranty payments to be made promptly and in no event later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date on which the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information notified the other Clearing Organization, and (ii) make any necessary payments to one another to correct the error within three (3) Business Days following agreement on such recalculation by both Clearing Organizations. Such payments shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (i) In the event that either Clearing Organization (the "Guarantor") becomes obligated to make a Guaranty payment to the other Clearing Organization (the "Beneficiary") in respect of the obligation of a Defaulting Member (including, in the case of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, the obligation of a Cross-Margining Affiliate that is a Cross-Margining Participant at the Beneficiary), to the Beneficiary, the Defaulting Member (including, in the case of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, both Cross-Margining Affiliates jointly and severally) shall thereupon immediately be obligated, whether or not the Guarantor has then

made the Guaranty payment to the Beneficiary, to reimburse the Guarantor for the amount of the Guaranty payment as determined by the Guarantor, and the Guarantor shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the Beneficiary against the Defaulting Member (including both Cross-Margining Affiliates, if applicable). The Guarantor shall notify the Defaulting Member (including both Cross-Margining Affiliates, if applicable) of the amount of such obligation (the "Reimbursement Obligation"), but such notification shall not be a condition to the rights of the Clearing Organizations hereunder, and the Reimbursement Obligation shall be due immediately upon the determination of the amount thereof. In the event that the final amount of the Guaranty payment is greater or less than the amount originally determined, the Reimbursement Obligation shall be adjusted accordingly, and payment of the difference shall be made between the Guarantor and the Defaulting Member (or the relevant Cross-Margining Affiliate, as appropriate). It is understood and agreed that any payment or obligation to make a payment between the Guarantor and the Beneficiary with respect to the Guaranty, and any payment or obligation to make payment between the Defaulting Member (including a Cross-Margining Affiliate, as applicable) and the Guarantor, is (i) a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" or an obligation to make a "margin payment" or "settlement payment," and (ii) a transfer in connection with a "swap agreement," "commodity contract," "forward contract," "securities contract" or "master netting agreement," as such terms are defined in the Bankruptcy Code, as the case may be.

(j) The Clearing Organizations will include in the SLA examples of the liquidation scenarios and associated payment obligations described in this Section 7.

8. Guaranty of FICC to CME.

- (a) FICC hereby unconditionally guarantees the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each CrossMargining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "CME's Debtor") to CME, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, arising from or related to Eligible Positions or the liquidation, transfer or management thereof (all such indebtedness and other obligations, the "Indebtedness to CME"), but limited to, the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement. FICC further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by CME in enforcing its rights against FICC under this Section 8.
- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to CME (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to FICC and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of FICC under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to CME; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to CME; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction

or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty or security therefor or CME's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, CME's Debtor or a guarantor. FICC waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to CME and this Guaranty and any requirement that CME exhaust any right or take any action against CME's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on CME's part to disclose to FICC any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of CME's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. FICC acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment, not collection, and that FICC has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding CME's Debtor.

- (d) In the event that FICC makes any payment to CME under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not reimbursed to FICC in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(i) of this Agreement, FICC shall be subrogated to the rights of CME against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to CME such payment was made and to the rights of CME against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to CME.
- (e) All of CME's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to CME at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

9. <u>Guaranty of CME to FICC</u>.

- (a) CME hereby unconditionally guarantees the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "FICC's Debtor") to FICC, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, arising from or related to Eligible Positions or the liquidation, transfer or management thereof (all such indebtedness and other obligations, the "Indebtedness to FICC"), but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement. CME further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by FICC in enforcing its rights against CME under this Section 9.
- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to FICC (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to CME and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of CME under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to FICC;

- (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to FICC; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty or security therefor or FICC's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, FICC's Debtor or a guarantor. CME waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to FICC and this Guaranty and any requirement that FICC exhaust any right or take any action against FICC's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on FICC's part to disclose to CME any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of FICC's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. CME acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment, not collection, and that CME has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding FICC's Debtor.
- (d) In the event that CME makes any payment to FICC under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not reimbursed to CME in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(i) of this Agreement, CME shall be subrogated to the rights of FICC against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to FICC such payment was made and to the rights of FICC against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to FICC.
- (e) All of FICC's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to FICC at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

10. <u>Confidentiality</u>.

Except as expressly authorized in this Agreement, each Clearing Organization shall maintain in confidence, and shall not disclose to any third party, any and all information obtained by it in connection with this Agreement, the transactions or activities contemplated herein with respect to the other Clearing Organization, and the positions, transactions and financial condition of any Clearing Member of such other Clearing Organization ("Confidential Information"). The foregoing shall not apply to the disclosure of information (i) which is or becomes generally known to the public other than through an action or failure to act by such Clearing Organization in violation of this Section 10; (ii) to a third party to whom such information was previously known; (iii) to the CFTC, the SEC or any other regulator or supervisory authority with oversight authority over a Clearing Organization or any of its Clearing Members; (iv) to a "registered entity" within the meaning of the CEA or to a "self-regulatory organization" within the meaning of CFTC regulations or the Exchange Act, in either case pursuant to a surveillance agreement or similar arrangement to which such Clearing Organization is a party; or (v) as may be required by the CEA, the Exchange Act, or CFTC or SEC regulations. Each Clearing Organization may disclose Confidential Information to a Representative of such Clearing Organization who has a need to know the Confidential Information and who has been instructed to maintain the confidentiality of such Confidential Information and who has agreed to do so. The term "Representative" shall mean, with respect to a Clearing Organization, such Clearing Organization and/or its directors, offices, employees, agents, and professional consultants and advisors.

- (b) In the event that either Clearing Organization is legally required by subpoena by other valid legal process, or by law or regulation, to disclose any Confidential Information in the possession of such Clearing Organization, it is agreed that the Clearing Organization which is subject to such requirement shall provide the other Clearing Organization with prompt written notice of such requirement so that the other Clearing Organization may seek an appropriate protective order and/or waive compliance with the provisions of this Section 10 with respect to such required disclosure. In the event that the other Clearing Organization determines to seek a protective order, the Clearing Organization subject to the requirement shall cooperate to the extent reasonably requested by the other Clearing Organization. It is further agreed that if in the absence of a protective order or the receipt of a waiver hereunder, the Clearing Organization subject to the requirement is nonetheless, in the opinion of its counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information to any tribunal or regulatory agency or else stand liable for contempt or suffer other censure or penalty, such Clearing Organization may produce such Confidential Information without liability under this Section 10.
- (c) The provisions of this Section 10 shall survive three (3) years after the termination of this Agreement.
- (d) Each Clearing Organization acknowledges and agrees that the violation of its obligations under this Section 10 would cause irreparable harm to the other Clearing Organization, which harm may not be compensable solely by monetary damages, and that, therefore, in the event of an actual or threatened breach by a Clearing Organization of this Section 10, the other Clearing Organization shall be entitled to immediate injunctive and other equitable relief, without the necessity of proving monetary damages or posting bond or other security. Any such equitable relief granted shall be without prejudice to any other rights and remedies a Clearing Organization may have under this Agreement.
- 11. <u>FDICIA</u>. This Agreement, together with GSD Rules, CME Rules, the Clearing Member Agreement and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof is, for purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. §§ 4401-4407), a "netting contract" and all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations;" and for purposes of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act is a "master netting agreement" with respect to some or all of "swap agreements," "commodity contracts," "forward contracts," and "securities contracts."

12. Indemnification.

(a) Each of FICC and CME (the "Indemnitor") shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees, agents and each person, if any, who controls the indemnified Clearing Organization (each an "Indemnified Party") against any Claims and Losses (as defined below) incurred by an Indemnified Party as the result, or arising from allegations, of any act or failure to act by the Indemnitor in connection with this Agreement or the

cross-margining procedures contemplated under this Agreement if such act or failure to act constitutes either (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Indemnitor; or (ii) a material breach of this Agreement, or any obligation undertaken in connection with this Agreement, any Rule of the Indemnitor (except to the extent that such Rule is inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement), or any law or governmental regulation applicable to the Indemnitor.

- (b) As used in this Section 12, the term "Claims and Losses" means any and all losses, damages and expenses whatsoever arising from claims of third parties including, without limitation, liabilities, judgments, damages, costs of investigation, reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses and amounts paid in settlement (with the consent of the Indemnitor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) in connection with any action, suit, litigation, claim or proceeding to which an Indemnified Party is made a party defendant, or is threatened to be made such a party.
- (c) Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of notice of the commencement of any action or the assertion of any claim against such Indemnified Party, such Indemnified Party shall, if an indemnification claim in respect thereof is to be made against the Indemnitor, notify the Indemnitor in writing of the commencement of such action or assertion of such claims, but the omission so to notify the Indemnitor will not relieve the Indemnitor from any liability which it may have to any Indemnified Party except to the extent that the Indemnitor has been materially and adversely affected by the lack of prompt notice and shall in any event not relieve the Indemnitor of any liability which it may have to an Indemnified Party otherwise than under this Section 12. The Indemnitor will be entitled to participate in the defense of the action or claim. For the avoidance of doubt, the Indemnified Party shall control its own defense of the action or claim.

13. Rules of the Clearing Organizations.

- (a) FICC and CME each shall propose and use all reasonable efforts to obtain any regulatory approvals necessary to adopt and maintain in effect such provisions in its Rules as are reasonably necessary to implement the provisions of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such Rules shall provide that Cross-Margining Participants of the Clearing Organization shall be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and that the Clearing Organization may use its clearing fund, including any rights of assessments against its Clearing Members, to make payment under any Guaranty given by such Clearing Organization pursuant to Section 8 and Section 9 of this Agreement.
- (b) FICC and CME shall, to the extent permitted by law, give each other reasonable prior notice of the intended effectiveness of any Rule or Rule amendment (other than an emergency Rule or Rule amendment, as to which notice shall be given promptly) adopted by such Clearing Organization if such Rule or Rule amendment relates in any way to such Clearing Organization's Margin requirements, the CME Guaranty Fund or FICC Clearing Fund (as applicable), rights of assessment against its Clearing Members, or similar matters.

- 14. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Each Clearing Organization represents and warrants to the other as of the date hereof and as of the Effective Date as follows:
- (a) Good Standing. It is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has the power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is now engaged or proposed to be engaged and is duly qualified and authorized to do business as a foreign corporation or company and is in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction in which failure to so qualify could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business or operations.
- (b) <u>Corporate Power and Authority</u>. It has all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement and the agreements referenced herein, as applicable, and full power and authority to take all actions required of it pursuant to such agreements. This Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement will constitute, when executed and delivered, valid and binding obligations of such Clearing Organization, and the execution, delivery and performance of all of its obligations under this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of such Clearing Organization.
- (c) No Violation. Except for provisions as to which waivers have been obtained, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement by the Clearing Organization and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement: (i) do not result in a violation or breach of, do not conflict with or constitute a default under, and will not accelerate or permit the acceleration of performance required by any of the terms and provisions of its organizational documents, rules or other governing documents, any note, debt instrument, or any other agreement to which it is a party or to which any of its assets or properties is subject, and will not be an event which after notice or lapse of time or both will result in any such violation, breach, conflict, default or acceleration; and (ii) do not result in a violation or breach of any law, judgment, decree, order, rule or regulation of any governmental authority or court, whether federal, state or local, at law or in equity, applicable to it or any of its assets or properties.
- (d) <u>Operational Capability</u>. It has adequate personnel, physical facilities, systems, and internal procedures to enable it to satisfactorily communicate with the other Clearing Organization and fulfill all anticipated obligations arising under this Agreement with the necessary promptness and accuracy.
- (e) <u>Authorizations and Consents</u>. All authorizations, permits, approvals or consents required to be obtained from, and all notifications and filings required to be made with, all governmental authorities and regulatory bodies and third parties to permit such Clearing Organization to place into effect this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement and under the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement have been obtained.
- (f) These representations and warranties shall be deemed to be repeated each day during the term of the Agreement.

15. Termination.

- (a) FICC may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to CME specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (b) CME may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to FICC specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (c) In the event that either FICC or CME fails to perform any material obligation under this Agreement and such failure is not promptly cured after written notice thereof is sent to such Clearing Organization, the non-defaulting Clearing Organization may terminate this Agreement by delivering written notice of such termination to the other party.
- (d) CME may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to FICC in the event that FICC fails to maintain in effect its registration with the SEC as a securities clearing agency. FICC may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to CME in the event CME fails to maintain in effect its registration with the CFTC as a derivatives clearing organization.
- (e) At any time during the term of this Agreement, either Party may terminate this Agreement immediately upon written notice to the other Party if: (i) the other Party (A) voluntarily commences any proceeding or files any petition under the bankruptcy laws of the United States, (B) becomes subject to any involuntary bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings under the laws of the United States, which proceedings are not dismissed within thirty (30) days, (C) makes an assignment of all or substantially all of its assets for the benefit of its creditors, or (D) appoints a receiver, trustee, custodian or liquidator for a substantial portion of its property, assets or business; or (ii) the other Party passes a resolution for its winding up or dissolution or a court of competent jurisdiction makes an order for such other Party's winding up or dissolution.
- (f) In the event that a termination date is established under paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) above, each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify all of its Cross-Margining Participants. Each Clearing Organization shall cooperate fully in exchanging all necessary data, records, computer files and other information, and in executing documents and taking other action necessary or appropriate to effect transfers, releases, etc. in order to effect termination of the Cross-Margining Arrangement as to the terminating parties. In the event that a liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant is pending on, or was completed prior to, the termination date, the provisions of this Agreement pertaining to such liquidation shall survive the termination until such liquidation has been completed and any payment due under the Guaranty due from one Clearing Organization to the other in respect of such liquidation has been paid.
- (g) <u>Survival of Obligations</u>. The obligations of the Clearing Organizations arising under Sections 8, 9 and 10, 12 and 17 of this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

16. <u>Information Sharing</u>.

- (a) The Clearing Organizations hereby agree to provide one another with the following information regarding their respective Cross-Margining Participants:
 - (i) If either Clearing Organization applies any special surveillance procedures to a Cross-Margining Participant or places such Cross-Margin Participant on remedial actions status or higher, as provided in such Clearing Organization's Rules, such Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact.
 - (ii) If either Clearing Organization requires more frequent reporting of financial information by a Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the period of reporting.
 - (iii) If either Clearing Organization increases the capital requirement for any Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact, the amount of the additional capital required and the deadline for meeting the requirement.
 - (iv) If either Clearing Organization imposes additional margin requirements with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant, or issues a special intra-day call for Margin in respect of any account of a Cross-Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the amount of the additional margin required.
 - (v) Each Clearing Organization shall, upon request by the other Clearing Organization, furnish to such other Clearing Organization the following information with respect to each account carried by the Cross-Margining Participant with the Clearing Organization from whom the information is requested: (A) Margin required and on deposit in respect of such account, and (B) the dollar amount of any current settlement obligations owed to or by the CrossMargining Participant that have been determined for such account in respect of Variation Margin, premiums, option exercises and any other settlements.
 - (vi) Each Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization of any disciplinary action (other than an appeal from an administrative fine) taken by its governing board, or committee or subcommittee thereof, against a Cross-Margining Participant involving non-compliance with financial or financial reporting requirements, or violation of the Rules.
 - (vii) Each Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization in the event that the notifying Clearing Organization learns of any major

processing difficulties (including, but not limited to, back-office computer problems) or operational errors of a Cross-Margining Participant.

(viii) Each Clearing Organization shall notify the other Clearing Organization in the event that a Cross-Margining Participant defaults in any settlement obligation.

In the case of any notice given pursuant to Clauses (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (vii), or (viii) above, the Clearing Organization giving such notice shall also notify the other Clearing Organization when the condition giving rise to such notice is terminated. The Clearing Organizations hereby agree to inform one another, upon request, of the total size of, and aggregate amount of required contributions to, such Clearing Organization's Clearing Fund or Guaranty Fund, as applicable.

(b) Any notice required to be given pursuant to this Section 16 shall be given by telephone or electronic mail promptly upon the occurrence of the event giving rise to the requirement of notification, and any such notice given by telephone shall be promptly confirmed in writing. Each such notice shall be directed as follows:

to FICC:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation 570 Washington Blvd.
Jersey City, New Jersey 07310
Attention: Group Chief Risk Officer

Telephone: 212-855-3450

E-mail: FICCProductRisk@DTCC.com

and to:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation 570 Washington Blvd. Jersey City, New Jersey 07310 Attention: General Counsel, General Counsel's Office

E-mail: gcocontractnotices@dtcc.com

to CME:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. 20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: 312-648-3888 Fax No.: 312-930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

and to:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.
20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: legalnotices@cmegroup.com

In case of the absence or unavailability of any officer named above, telephone calls shall be directed to another individual who has been designated in writing by the Clearing Organizations as authorized to receive such telephone calls. Prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization shall provide the other with the name and telephone number of any other individual designated by such Clearing Organization pursuant to the preceding sentence.

(c) In the event that notice is given by either Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section 16, such Clearing Organization shall furnish to the other Clearing Organization upon request such additional information or documents relating to the circumstances leading to the notice as may reasonably be requested by the Clearing Organization receiving the notice.

17. <u>Liability</u>.

- (a) TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b), NEITHER PARTY HERETO SHALL BE LIABLE TO ANY OTHER HEREUNDER FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, OR FOR LOSS OF PROFITS, GOODWILL OR CONTRACTS, OR FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF SUBSTITUTE GOODS OR SERVICES, WHETHER ARISING FROM NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE, AND WHETHER OR NOT ANY PARTY HERETO SHALL HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF OR OTHERWISE MIGHT HAVE ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the limitations set forth in this Section 17 will not apply to a Clearing Organization's breach of its obligations under Section 10.

18. General Provisions.

- (a) <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each Party agrees, without additional consideration, to execute and deliver such instruments and take such other actions as shall be reasonably required or as shall be reasonably requested by the other party in order to carry out the transactions, agreements and covenants contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) Amendment, Modification and Waiver. Except as expressly provided for herein, this Agreement, including the main body of this Agreement and all exhibits hereto, may be modified, supplemented or otherwise amended only by an instrument in writing signed on behalf of a duly authorized representative of each Party and in compliance with all applicable laws. A Party may temporarily waive or modify any condition intended to be for its benefit provided such waiver shall be in writing signed by the Party to be charged. The failure of a Party to exercise or enforce any right conferred upon it by this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any such right or operate so as to bar the exercise or enforcement thereof at any time or times thereafter.

No waiver by either Party hereunder shall be effective unless agreed to pursuant to a writing signed by an authorized representative of each Party.

- by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to the provisions, policies or principles of any state law relating to choice or conflict of laws. Subject to Paragraph (n), any legal action or proceeding with respect to this Agreement may be brought exclusively in the federal or state courts located in New York, New York, including the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and the Parties hereby (i) irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts, and (ii) irrevocably waive, and agree not to assert by way of motion, defense or otherwise, in any such action, any claim that it is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts, that its property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that the action is brought in an inconvenient forum, that the venue of the action is improper, or that this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement may not be enforced in or by any of the abovenamed courts. Service of process shall be in any manner allowed by applicable law.
- (d) <u>Notices</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, all notices and other communications pertaining to the Agreement: (i) will be in writing; (ii) shall be delivered by certified or registered mail via the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, by hand, by any nationally recognized private courier (e.g., Federal Express, UPS, DHL) or via electronic mail; (iii) shall be effective (A) if mailed via certified or registered mail, on the date five (5) calendar days after the date of mailing, or (B) if sent via electronic mail, hand delivered or delivered by private courier, on the date of delivery; and (iv) shall be addressed as follows:

If to FICC:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation 570 Washington Blvd.
Jersey City, New Jersey 07310
Attention: Group Chief Risk Officer

Telephone: 212-855-3450

E-mail: FICCProductRisk@DTCC.com

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation 570 Washington Blvd.
Jersey City, New Jersey 07310

Attention: General Counsel, General Counsel's Office

E-mail: gcocontractnotices@dtcc.com

If to CME:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. 20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: 312-648-3888 Fax No.: 312-930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. 20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: legalnotices@cmegroup.com

or to such other address or addresses as may hereafter be specified by written notice given by one Party to the other.

- (e) <u>Assignment</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, neither Party shall assign or otherwise transfer this Agreement, or any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement, without the prior written approval of the other Party, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. Any purported assignment or transfer in violation of this Paragraph (e) shall be void.
- (f) <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. A complete set of counterparts shall be lodged with each Party.
- (g) <u>Headings</u>. References to sections, paragraphs and exhibits are to sections, paragraphs and exhibits of and to this Agreement, unless otherwise indicated. Section headings are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction of this Agreement. The singular number shall include the plural, and vice versa. Any use of the word "including" will be interpreted to mean "including, but not limited to," unless otherwise indicated. References to any Person (including the Parties and any other entities referred to) shall be construed to mean such Person and its successors in interest and permitted assigns, as applicable.
- (h) <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement, together with all exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire understanding between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior representations, agreements, negotiations and discussions between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be accepted in electronic form (e.g., by an electronic or digital signature).

- (i) <u>Invalid Provision</u>. Each provision of this Agreement shall be considered separable; and if, for any reason, any provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unlawful, or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement or the validity, lawfulness, or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- (j) <u>Effective Date</u>. This Agreement shall become effective on the later of (i) the date agreed by the parties and (ii) the date on which all necessary regulatory approvals of this Agreement have been received by FICC and CME (the "Effective Date").
- (k) Force Majeure. If the performance of this Agreement by either Party (other than the payment of any amounts due hereunder) is prevented, hindered, delayed or otherwise made impracticable by reason of any cause beyond a Party's reasonable control, including any flood, epidemic, pandemic, riot, fire, judicial or governmental action, labor dispute, failure or degradation of any third party system or service, or act of war or terrorism (each, a "Force Majeure Event"), that party shall be excused from such performance to the extent, including for the duration of time, that it is prevented, hindered or delayed by such Force Majeure Event. In the event a Party becomes aware of a Force Majeure Event that will affect its performance under this Agreement, it shall so notify the other Party as soon as reasonably practicable. The Parties shall thereafter work together to take reasonable steps to mitigate the effects of any inability to perform or any delay in performance, if practicable.
- (l) Remedies Not Exclusive. No remedy conferred by any provision of this Agreement is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, except as expressly provided in this Agreement, and each and every remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing in law or in equity or by statute or otherwise.
- (m) <u>No Third-Party Beneficiaries</u>. This Agreement is binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the Parties and their respective administrators, legal representatives, successors, and permitted assigns. The Parties agree that no provision of this Agreement is intended, expressly or by implication, to purport to confer a benefit or right of action upon a third party (whether or not in existence, and whether or not named, as of the date hereof), other than Persons entitled to indemnification pursuant to Section 12, who are third party beneficiaries of Section 12 (and no other provisions) of this Agreement.
- (n) <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

| FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION |
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| By: |
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| CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. |
| By: |

EXHIBIT A

CME ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

| CBT | 26 | 2-year T-Note Futures |
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| CBT | 3YR | 3-year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | 25 | 5-Year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | 21 | 10-Year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | 17 | U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| CBT | TN | Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | UBE | Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| CBT | TWE | 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| CBT | 41 | 30-Day Federal Funds Futures |
| CME | ED | Eurodollar Futures |
| CME | EM | 1-Month Eurodollar Futures |
| CME | SR1 | One-Month SOFR Futures |
| CME | SR3 | Three-Month SOFR Futures |

EXHIBIT B

FICC ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

"U.S. Treasury securities" which for purposes of this Exhibit B refers to Treasury notes and bonds.

APPENDIX A

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION / CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (COMMON MEMBER) (referred to as the "agreement")

The undersigned ("Member") is a Government Securities Division ("GSD") Netting Member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") and a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant for purposes of the Cross-Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME and the Rules. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Member agrees to be bound by the GSD Rules and the CME Rules applicable to Netting Members, Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants and by the provisions of the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross-Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member unconditionally promises immediate payment of any payment or reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) to a Clearing Organization arising under the Cross-Margining Agreement or the Rules in respect of the Cross-Margining Accounts. Member further agrees that, if a Clearing Organization has declared a Default Event with respect to Member, then the other Clearing Organization may exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of Member (such actions also shall be considered a "Default Event").

Member hereby pledges, as security for its present and future payment and reimbursement obligations to FICC and CME arising from Member's Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligations), and grants to each Clearing Organization a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of either Clearing Organization including any and all Net Gains (and, in the case of FICC, all Actual Deposits) in respect of the Member's Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, the "Collateral"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that (i) the rights of each Clearing Organization set forth in the preceding sentence are in addition to any other rights arising out of the New York Uniform Commercial Code or other statute, common law, or governmental regulation, or under their respective Rules, (ii) Member will execute, deliver, file and record any financing statement, specific assignment or other document and take any other action necessary or desirable and reasonably requested by FICC or CME to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest or lien granted in this paragraph, to enable such Clearing Organization to exercise or enforce its rights under this agreement, and (iii) Member will promptly give notice to the Clearing Organizations of, and defend against, any suit, action, proceeding or lien that involves or could adversely affect the security interest and lien granted by Member in this agreement.

Member agrees that Clearing Data (as hereinafter defined) regarding Member may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. "Clearing Data" means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to Member that the calculation of the Margin Reduction pursuant to the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Margin Reduction.

Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of selfregulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected; (vii) it has the power to grant, and has granted, to each Clearing Organization a first priority continuing security interest in and lien on the Collateral and has taken all necessary actions to authorize the granting of such security interest and lien; (viii) it is the sole owner of or otherwise has the right to transfer all Collateral transferred to each Clearing Organization pursuant to this agreement, the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules, free and clear of any security interest, lien, encumbrance or other restrictions (other than any security interest or lien granted or created pursuant to this agreement or any other agreement entered into in connection with the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules); and (ix) all transactions and positions in Member's Cross-Margining Accounts will be solely for Member's own account and/or for the account of Non-Customers. The term "Non-Customer" means any person that is an officer, director, partner or other related person of the Member (x) that is not a "customer" within the meaning of Rules 8c-1 or 15c2-1 promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act and (y) whose account on the records of the Member is a "proprietary account" within the meaning of Rule 1.3 promulgated by the CFTC under the CEA. The representations and warranties in this paragraph shall be effective as of the date of this agreement and the date of each transaction or transfer relating to this agreement or the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Without limiting any provision of the GSD Rules, the CME Rules or any other agreement between Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the Member of any rights it may have in the Net Gain (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all payment and reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. Member shall be bound by the current terms of this agreement as well as any amended terms of which it has received notice. This agreement may be terminated by the Member upon two Business Days' written notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME; *provided*, however, notwithstanding any such termination, this agreement shall remain effective unless and until Member satisfies its Standalone Margin Requirement at each Clearing Organization. Either FICC or CME may amend or terminate this agreement immediately upon notice to the Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the Member's obligations under this agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this agreement.

This agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement. This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

| Member |
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| Name of Member: |
| |
| By: |
| Print Name: |
| Title: |

| Accepted By: | |
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| Fixed Income Clearing Corporation | |
| By: | |
| Print Name: | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |
| Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. | |
| By: | |
| Print Name: | |
| Title: | |
| Date: | |

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[To be filled in upon acceptance of CME and FICC]

This agreement is dated as of ______.

APPENDIX B

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION / CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (AFFILIATED MEMBERS) (referred to as the "agreement")

The undersigned "FICC Member" is a Government Securities Division ("GSD") Netting Member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC"). The undersigned "CME Member" is a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). The FICC Member and CME Member are each referred to herein as a "Member" and together as the "Members." The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. FICC Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant of FICC, and CME Member hereby elects to become a Cross-Margining Participant of CME, for purposes of the Cross-Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME and the Rules. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, FICC Member agrees to be bound by the GSD Rules applicable to Netting Members, Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; CME Member agrees to be bound by the CME Rules applicable to Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; and FICC Member and CME Member both agree to be bound by the provisions of the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross-Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Member unconditionally promises immediate payment of any of its and its Affiliate's payment or reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) to a Clearing Organization arising under the Cross-Margining Agreement or the Rules in respect of the Cross-Margining Accounts. Each Member further agrees to be jointly and severally liable to the Clearing Organizations for any margin, settlement or other obligation arising from transactions or positions in the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts. The Members further agree that, if a Clearing Organization has declared a Default Event with respect to one Member, then the other Clearing Organization may exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of the other Member (such actions also shall be considered a "Default Event").

FICC Member hereby pledges, on behalf of itself and its Affiliate, as security for the present and future payment and reimbursement obligations of either Member to FICC and CME arising from the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligation), and grants to FICC a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of FICC including any and all Net Gains and all Actual Deposits in respect of the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, the "Collateral"). CME Member hereby pledges, on behalf of itself and its Affiliate, as security for the present and future payment and reimbursement obligations of either Member to CME and FICC arising from the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligation), and grants to CME a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin

deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of CME including any and all Net Gains in respect of the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, also referred to as the "Collateral"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Member agrees that (i) the rights of each Clearing Organization set forth in the preceding sentences are in addition to any other rights arising out of the New York Uniform Commercial Code or other statute, common law, or governmental regulation, or under their respective Rules, (ii) Member will execute, deliver, file and record any financing statement, specific assignment or other document and take any other action necessary or desirable and reasonably requested by FICC or CME to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest or lien granted in this paragraph, to enable such Clearing Organization to exercise or enforce its rights under this agreement, and (iii) Member will promptly give notice to the Clearing Organizations of, and defend against, any suit, action, proceeding or lien that involves or could adversely affect the security interest and lien granted by Member in this agreement.

FICC Member and CME Member agree that Clearing Data (as hereinafter defined) regarding Member may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. "Clearing Data" means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof, which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding a Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to FICC Member or CME Member that the calculation of the methodology used to determine the Margin Reduction pursuant to the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Margin Reduction for either FICC Member or CME Member.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of self-regulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected; (vii) it has the power to grant, and has granted, to the Clearing Organization of which it is a Clearing Member a first priority continuing security interest in and lien on the Collateral and has taken all necessary actions to authorize the granting of such security interest and lien; (viii) it is the sole owner of or otherwise has the right to transfer all Collateral transferred to the Clearing Organization of which it is a Clearing Member pursuant to this agreement, the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules, free and clear of any security interest, lien, encumbrance or other restrictions (other than any security interest or lien granted or created

pursuant to this agreement or any other agreement entered into in connection with the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules); and (ix) all transactions and positions in the Member's Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization of which it is a member will be solely for its own account, the account of its Affiliate or the account of a Non-Customer. The term "Non-Customer" means any person that is (x) an officer, director, partner or other related person of the FICC Member that is not a "customer" of the FICC Member within the meaning of Rules 8c-1 or 15c2-1 promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act *and* (y) an officer, director, partner or other related person of the CME Member whose account on the records of the CME Member is a "proprietary account" within the meaning of Rule 1.3 promulgated by the CFTC under the CEA. The representations and warranties in this paragraph shall be effective as of the date of this agreement and the date of each transaction or transfer relating to this agreement or the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member further represents and warrants to FICC and CME that they are Affiliates of one another as defined in the Cross-Margining Agreement. FICC Member and CME Member acknowledge and agree that they will be treated as Cross-Margining Affiliates for purposes of the Cross-Margining Arrangement and that, as a result, a default by FICC Member to FICC may result in a loss to CME Member, and a default by CME Member to CME may result in a loss to FICC Member.

Without limiting any provision of GSD's Rules, the CME Rules or any other agreement between FICC Member and/or CME Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the FICC Member or the CME Member of any rights it may have in the Net Gain (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all payment and reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. Each Member shall be bound by the current terms of this agreement as well as any amended terms of which it has received notice. This agreement may be terminated by FICC Member or CME Member upon two Business Days' written notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME; *provided*, however, notwithstanding any such termination, this agreement shall remain effective unless and until Member satisfies its Standalone Margin Requirement at each Clearing Organization. Either FICC or CME may amend or terminate this agreement immediately upon notice to FICC Member and CME Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the FICC Member's and the CME Member's obligations under this agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this agreement.

This agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement. This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

| FICC Member | CME Member |
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| Name of Member: | Name of Member: |
| | |
| By: | By: |
| Print Name: | Print Name: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Accepted By: | |
| Fixed Income Clearing Corporation | Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. |
| By: | By: |
| Print Name: | Print Name: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |
| This agreement is dated as of | |
| [To be filled in upon a | cceptance of CME and FICC] |

<u>Proposed Restated Agreement</u> (marked to reflect changes as compared to the Existing Agreement)

[Changes to this Cross-Margining Agreement, as amended and restated by File No. SR-FICC-2023-010, are available at dtcc.com/legal/sec-rule-filings. These changes have been approved by the SEC but have not yet been implemented. By no later than 180 business days after the later date of the SEC's approval of SR-FICC-2023-010, [insert date of the approval of SR-FICC-2023-010], and the CFTC's approval of CME's proposed rule change, [insert date of the approval when available], these changes will become operative and this legend will be automatically removed from the Amended and Restated Cross-Margining Agreement.]

AMENDED AND RESTATED CROSS-MARGINING AGREEMENT

RECITALS

A. —FICC is <u>registered as a clearing agency registered</u> with the <u>U.S.</u> Securities and Exchange Commission (the ""SEC"") under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the ""Exchange Act""), and, through its Government Securities Division, acts as a clearing organization for trading in the over the counter market for transactions involving U.S. Government securities, securities of U.S. federal Agencies and U.S. Government—sponsored enterprises, and financing products ("Government Securities") and certain mortgage-backed securities.

B. CME acts as the clearing organization for certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts that are traded on the CME and the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") which have been designated as contract markets for such contracts by CME is registered as a derivatives clearing organization with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the ""CFTC"") pursuant to under the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "CEA"). The CME is registered as a derivatives clearing organization pursuant to the CEA. "CEA"), and acts as a clearing organization for futures contracts and options on futures

^{*} As amended by Amendment No. 1, dated October 11, 2005, Amendment No. 2, dated February 5, 2007, Amendment dated February 28, 2011, and Amendment dated June 9, 2014. Appendix A was most recently amended June 9, 2014. The notice provisions for FICC and CME were amended on February 28, 2011. The notice provisions for FICC and CME were further amended on February 3, 2016 and March 11, 2016, respectively.

contracts, including U.S. dollar-denominated interest rate and fixed income futures contracts and options on such contracts, and swaps.

- C. FICC and CME desire to establish a Cross-Margining Arrangement in order to cross-margin products whose price volatility is sufficiently closely correlated that long and short positions in such products offset one another to some degree (as will be calculated under this Agreement) for purposes of determining margin requirements.
- <u>C.</u> <u>D.</u> FICC and CME desire to enter into this Agreement have established a cross-margining arrangement whereby (i) entities an entity that are is a Clearing Members Member (defined below) of both FICC and CME, (a "Joint Clearing Member") and (ii) a Clearing Members Member of one such Clearing Organization that have has an Affiliate (defined below) that is a Clearing Member of the other such Clearing Organization, (a "Cross-Margining Affiliate") may elect to have their Margin obligations in respect of positions in futures contracts and options on futures contracts in Eligible Products in their proprietary accounts at CME offset against their Margin obligations in respect of (defined below) at CME and positions in Eligible Products at FICC to the extent permitted under this Agreement, carried in a Cross-Margining Account (defined below) and margined based upon the combined risk presented by positions in Eligible Products.
- D. E. In order to facilitate such a Cross-Margining Arrangement, FICC and CME desire to establish procedures whereby CME will guarantee certain obligations of across-margining arrangement, FICC and CME entered into that certain Cross-Margining Agreement, dated as of January 2, 2004 as amended (the "Original Agreement"), whereby CME guarantees certain obligations of Cross-Margining Participants to FICC, and FICC will guaranteeguarantees certain obligations of a Cross-Margining Participants to CME, with reimbursement of amounts paid under such guaranties to beguarantees being collateralized by the positions and margin Margin of such Cross-Margining Participant Participants held by the guaranter Guaranter.
- F. It is understood that FICC may enter into other cross-margining agreements similar or identical to this Agreement in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by FICC to CME as provided herein. This Agreement and all such other agreements are intended to be an integrated Cross-Margining Arrangement. FICC Clearing Members that are, or that have Affiliates that are, Clearing Members of CME and one or more of such other clearing organizations—may—participate—simultaneously—in—the—Cross-Margining—Arrangement—as contemplated in this Agreement and in such other cross-margining agreements. Each such other clearing organization shall be referred to hereafter as an "Other CO". Notwithstanding the above, it is understood that for purposes of this Agreement, CME Eligible Positions will be offset against FICC Eligible Positions and not against Eligible Positions at Other COs unless FICC and CME mutually agree otherwise. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other FICC cross-margining and loss sharing arrangements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.
- G. It is understood that CME is currently a party to other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A and may enter into additional cross-margining or loss sharing agreements in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by CME to FICC as provided herein. It is intended that CME's calculation of its Available

Margin under this Agreement will be subject to CME's prior satisfaction of its obligations under such other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A as having priority over this Agreement. Except as described in the previous sentence, the CME's other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements shall not affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other CME eross-margining and loss sharing agreements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.

- H. It is understood that FICC is currently a party to other loss sharing agreements (e.g., portfolio margining arrangements and cross-guarantee agreements), and may enter into additional loss sharing or cross-margining agreements in the future that shall be added to Appendix A upon written notice thereof by FICC to CME as provided herein. It is intended that FICC's calculation of its Available Margin under this Agreement will be subject to FICC's prior satisfaction of its obligations under such other cross-margining and loss sharing agreements that are listed on Appendix A as having priority over this Agreement. Except as disclosed on Appendix A (as amended from time to time), no other cross-margining and loss sharing arrangements shall affect the obligations of the parties to this Agreement.
- E. FICC and CME now desire to amend and restate the Original Agreement to, among other things, enhance the efficiency of the current arrangement between the Parties, and to amend and restate the Original Agreement in its entirety on the terms set forth herein.

AGREEMENTS

In consideration of the premises and mutual covenants contained herein, the parties Parties hereto agree as follows:

- <u>1.</u> <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the terms defined <u>above</u><u>elsewhere in this Agreement</u>, certain other terms used in this Agreement shall be defined as follows:
- "Adjustment Payment" means the payment that is required to be made in accordance with Section 7(f) of this Agreement when the worse off party (as defined in Section 7(d) of this Agreement) computes an Aggregate Net Surplus.
- (a) "Affiliate" means, when used in respect of a particular Clearing Member of one Clearing Organization, a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that directly or indirectly controls such particular Clearing Member, or that is directly or indirectly, is controlled by or is under common control with such particular Clearing Member. Ownership of 50 percent or more of the common stockequity interests of the relevant entity will conclusively be deemed to be in control of that entity for purposes of this definition.
- (b) "Aggregate Net Loss" means the sum of any (1) Cross Margin Loss and (2) Available Margin if the Available Margin is less than the Cross Margin Loss (expressed as a positive number). In calculating their Aggregate Net Loss, the Clearing Organizations shall take into account any Preliminary Payment Obligation received. Allocated Net Gain" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(c)(ii).
 - (c) "Allocated Net Loss" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(c)(ii).

- (d) "Bankruptcy Code" shall mean 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.
- (e) "Beneficiary" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).
- (f) "Business Day" means each day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements.
 - (g) "CEA" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (h) "CFTC" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (i) "Claims and Losses" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(b).
- (j) "Clearing Member" means, with respect to FICC, any member of the netting system of the Government Securities Division of FICC deemed eligible for cross-margining by FICC, and with respect to CME, any clearing member of CME deemed eligible for cross-margining by CME.
- (k) "Aggregate Net Surplus" means, as applicable, (x) the sum of any Cross Margin Gain and Available Margin, or (y) if a positive number, Available Margin less any Cross Margin Loss. In calculating their Aggregate Net Surplus, the Clearing Organizations shall take into account any Preliminary Payment Obligation received. Clearing Member Agreement" means the agreement set forth as Appendix A or B, as applicable, between the Clearing Organizations and a Clearing Member and, if applicable, its Cross-Margining Affiliate that elects to participate in the cross-margining arrangement established pursuant to this Agreement and the Rules.
- (1) "Applicable Residual Margin Amount" means the amount derived, as described in Section 5(a), from applying the lower of the CME Margin Rate or the FICC Margin Rate to the Residual Position in each Offset Class.

"Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used" means, in the cross-margining offset between a pair of Offset Classes at the Clearing Organizations as contemplated by Section 5(b) of this Agreement, the smaller of the long (short) Applicable Residual Margin Amount or the short (long) Applicable Residual Margin Amount in the pair of Offset Classes.

"Available Margin" means, when used in respect of the liquidation of a Clearing Member of FICC, the amount, if any, of: (i) the Clearing Member's Margin deposits, (ii) proceeds of, and obligations under, such Clearing Member's positions (other than proceeds from the liquidation of the Used Positions), and (iii) other collateral, credit support and proceeds thereof of such Clearing Member deposited with or held by FICC, that remains after all obligations of the Clearing Member to FICC (including, but not limited to, all liabilities to FICC arising as the result of the default of the Clearing Member and the satisfaction of obligations arising out of the agreements listed on Appendix A as taking priority to this Agreement) have been satisfied. "Available Margin" means, when used in respect of the liquidation of a Clearing Member of CME, the amount, if any, of: (i) the Margin deposited by such Clearing Member for its proprietary account(s) at CME, (ii) proceeds of, and obligations under, positions (other than proceeds from the liquidation of the Used Positions) in such Clearing Member's proprietary account(s), and (iii) excess margin, variation margin, option premia, other collateral, credit support and proceeds

thereof related to such Clearing Member's proprietary account(s) deposited with or held by CME, including but not limited to performance bond and asset value of long option positions, that remains after all obligations of the Clearing Member to CME (including, but not limited to, all liabilities to CME arising as the result of the default of the Clearing Member and the satisfaction of obligations arising out of the agreements listed on Appendix A as taking priority to this Agreement) have been satisfied. In the case of either FICC or CME, "Available Margin" shall not include funds or property to the extent that such funds or property may not lawfully be applied by such Clearing Organization without violating any law or regulation by which such Clearing Organization is legally bound.

"Base Amount of the Guaranty" means the amount of the Cross-Margining Reduction as determined by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) that is in effect at any particular point in time without regard to any loss sharing.

"Business Day" means, unless otherwise expressly stated in the Agreement, a day on which trading in Eligible Products is conducted and on which FICC and CME both conduct money settlements.

"CBOT Eligible Products" means certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts cleared by CME that are traded on the CBOT as identified on Appendix B.

"Clearing Member" means any member of the netting system of the Government Securities Division of FICC deemed eligible for cross-margining by FICC or any clearing member firm of CME, including any CBOT member that has been designated by the CME as a Special CME Clearing Member, deemed eligible for cross-margining by CME.

- (m) "Clearing Organization" means either FICC, acting through its Government Securities Division, or CME, and "Clearing Organizations" means both FICC and CME.
 - (n) "CME" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- (o) "CME Eligible Products" means certain futures contracts and options on futures contracts cleared by CME that are traded on the CME as identified on Appendix Bas listed on Exhibit A, and as modified from time to time upon mutual agreement of the Parties, as set forth in Section 6(a).
- (p) "Cross Margin Gain" means, with respect to a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net gain realized in the liquidation of the Used Positions without regard to Available Margin.
- (q) "Cross Margin Loss" means, with respect to a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net loss incurred in the liquidation of the Used Positions without regard to Available Margin.
- (r) "CME Guaranty Fund" means the Base Guaranty Fund established pursuant to CME Rules.
 - (s) "CME's Debtor" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

- (t) "Collateral on Hand" means the Margin held by a Clearing Organization with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member immediately prior to the time at which the Default Event occurred.
 - (u) "Combined Portfolio" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(a).
 - (v) "Confidential Information" has the meaning set forth in Section 10(a).
- (w) "Cross-Margining Account" means, with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the transactions, positions and margin maintained in the Account (as defined in the GSD Rules) at FICC that are identified in FICC's books and records as being subject to this Agreement, and, with respect to a Clearing Member of CME, means a cross-margining account that is carried on the books of CME for such Clearing Member that is limited to the transactions, positions and Margin of the Proprietary Accounts of such Clearing Member that are subject to this Agreement.
- (x) "Cross-Margin Positions" means, with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the securities that have been identified by FICC at the time of default to be subject to the Cross-Margin Agreement.
- (y) "Cross-Margin Requirement" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant, the joint amount of Margin required by the Clearing Organizations with respect to the Cross-Margining Participant's Combined Portfolio for its separate Cross-Margining Accounts at each Clearing Organization as provided in Section 4(a).
- (z) "Cross-Margin VM Gain" or "Cross-Margin VM Loss" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC.
- (aa) "Cross-Margining Affiliate," means, as used in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant of a particular Clearing Organization, an Affiliate of such Cross-Margining Participant that is a Cross-Margining Participant of the other Clearing Organization.—Margining Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (bb) "Cross-Margining Arrangement" means the arrangement between FICC and the CME as set forth in this Agreement, together with similar arrangements between FICC and Other COs. "Cross-Margining Participant" means a Joint Clearing Member that has become a participant in the Cross-Margining Arrangement as between FICC and CME under the terms of this Agreement. The term "Cross-, or a Clearing Member that is part of a pair of affiliated Clearing Members each of which has become, a participant in the cross-margining arrangement between FICC and CME established pursuant to this Agreement. In the latter case, the term "Cross-Margining Participant" shall, where the context requires, refer collectively to the Cross-Margining Participant and its Cross-Margining Affiliate, if any pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates.

"Cross-Margining Reduction" means the maximum amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement at one Clearing Organization may be reduced

- (irrespective of the amount by which it is actually reduced) as calculated in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement. The Cross-Margining Reduction at each Clearing Organization is equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets at that Clearing Organization.
- (cc) "Default Event" shall have has the meaning given to that term set forth in Section 7(a) of this Agreement.
- (dd) "Defaulting Member" shall have has the meaning given to that termset forth in Section 7(a) of this Agreement.
- (ee) "Disallowance Factor" means the specified percentage, as determined by the parties from time to time, that is applied to reduce the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used to derive the Margin Offset.
- (ff) "Effective Date" means the date established pursuant to has the meaning set forth in Section 1518(j) of this Agreement.
- (gg) "Eligible Position" means, when used in respect of a particular FICC Eligible Product, a dollar amount of the particular FICC Eligible Product held by a Cross-Margining Participant in a net long or short cash position at the Government Securities Division of FICC. "Eligible Position" means, when used in respect of a particular CBOT Eligible Product or CME Eligible Product, a net long or short position in futures or options on futures contracts at CME; provided, however, that the nominal principal amount of such CBOT Eligible Product or CME Eligible Product covered by futures contracts or options on futures contracts, shall be expressed as a dollar amount of U.S. Government securities using the conversion methodology set forth in Appendix C1 (for CME Eligible Products) or Appendix C2 (for CBOT Eligible Products). Positions" means positions in CME Eligible Products or positions in FICC Eligible Products in a Cross-Margining Account.
- (hh) "Eligible Products means, collectively, the products listed on Exhibit A for CME Eligible Products, CBOT Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products identified on Appendix B and Exhibit B for FICC in each case attached hereto, and any other products mutually agreed to in the future between the parties by amendment to Appendix B. Exhibit A and Exhibit B, respectively.
 - (ii) "Exchange Act" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (jj) "FICC" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
 - (kk) "FICC Clearing Fund" means the clearing fund established pursuant to GSD Rules.
- (II) "FICC Eligible Products" means certain Government <u>Securities securities</u> cleared by FICC as <u>identified on Appendix Blisted on Exhibit B</u>, and as modified from time to time upon mutual agreement of the Parties, as set forth in Section 6(a).
- (mm) "Figure of Merit" means, with respect to an Eligible Position in a CME Eligible Product, a factor calculated by the CME pursuant to the formula set forth in Appendix C that will be used to determine the applicable CME Offset Class.

- (nn) "Futures" means contracts for future delivery traded on or pursuant to the rules of a contract market, and cleared by a derivatives clearing organization subject to the provisions of the CEA. The term "Futures" shall be deemed to include options on futures contracts.
 - (oo) "FICC's Debtor" has the meaning set forth in Section 9(a).
 - (pp) "GSD" means FICC's Government Securities Division.
- (qq) "GSD Account" means, with respect to a Clearing Member of FICC, the Accounts (as defined under the GSD Rules) of the Clearing Member at FICC which includes positions that are cross-margined pursuant to this Agreement and positions that are not cross-margined pursuant to this Agreement.
 - (rr) "Guarantor" has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).
- "Guaranty" means the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, as in effect at a particular time with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B9 of this Agreement. The term ""Guaranties" refers to both the Guaranty of CME to FICC and the Guaranty of FICC to CME, including, without limitation, the obligation to make the Preliminary Payment Obligation as well as the Adjustment Payment.
 - (tt) "Indebtedness to CME" has the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).
 - (uu) "Indebtedness to FICC" has the meaning set forth in Section 9(a)
 - (vv) "Indemnified Party" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(a)
 - (ww) "Indemnitor" has the meaning set forth in Section 12(a).
 - (xx) "Joint Clearing Member" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (yy) "Liquidation Cost" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member at a Clearing Organization, the amount of any net gain or net loss, realized in the liquidation, transfer or management of Eligible Positions held by the Clearing Organization in the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, including, without limitation, (i) any Variation Margin owed to the Defaulting Member by the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute gains); (ii) any Variation Margin owed by the Defaulting Member to the Clearing Organization and unpaid (which shall constitute losses); and (iii) any reasonable costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Clearing Organization in connection therewith.
- (tt) "Margin" means, with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant, any type of performance bond or initial margin, including deposits or pledges of CME original margin, FICC elearing fund, CME performance bond, or Actual Deposits (as defined under the GSD Rules) and option premiums held in or for the Cross-Margining Account of such Cross-Margining Participant at a Clearing Organization, and other margin collateral, whether in the form of cash, securities, letters of credit or other assets of a specific such Cross-Margining Participant, required or held by or for the account of eithera Clearing Organization to secure the obligations of such Cross-Margining Participant with respect to the Cross-Margining Account carried at the Clearing

<u>Organization</u>, to a Clearing Organization under this Agreement, the Clearing Member Agreement and the Rules, and all proceeds of the foregoing.

"Margin Offset" means the difference between (i) the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and (ii) the product of (A) the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and (B) the greater of (1) the applicable Disallowance Factor or (2) the Minimum Margin Factor, as the ease may be.

"Margin Rate" means, in the case of FICC, the percentage, defined for each offset class as two (2) times the standard deviation of returns from a historical index for that offset class, that would be applied to the Residual Position in each Offset Class in the absence of Cross-Margining, and, in the case of CME, the effective percentage which is derived by dividing the CME's long (short) Residual Margin Amount by the CME's long (short) Residual Position in each respective Offset Class.

"Mark to Market Payment" as used in respect of an Eligible Position means a "variation" payment or other similar payment made by a Clearing Member to a Clearing Organization or vice versa representing the difference between (i) either the current market price of such Eligible Position or, if the Eligible Position has been closed out, the price at which it was closed out, and (ii) either the price of the Eligible Position upon which the most recent Market to—Market Payment was based or, if there was none, the price at which the Eligible Position was entered into.

"Maximization Payment" shall mean the additional payment(s), if any, that are required to be made by FICC to CME, or vice versa, pursuant to Section 8C of this Agreement after payments are made under the Guaranty.

"Maximization Payment Guaranty" means the obligation of FICC to CME, or of CME to FICC, to make a Maximization Payment with respect to a particular Cross-Margining Participant.

"Maximization Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 8C(d), of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a Maximization Payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Maximization Payment Guaranty.

"Minimum Margin Factor" means the specified percentage, as agreed to between the parties from time to time, that is applied to reduce the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used.

"Offset Class" means a specific group of Eligible Products in a Clearing Organization. CME Eligible Products shall be organized into rolling year Offset Classes 1 through 20, as described in Appendix B. CBOT Eligible Products shall be organized into Offset Classes, as described in Appendix B. FICC Eligible Products shall be organized into Offset Classes A through G, as described in Appendix B.

- (uu) "Margin Reduction" means, the amount by which a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement for its Cross-Margining Account at a Clearing Organization is reduced by such Clearing Organization pursuant to Section 4(a) of this Agreement.
- (vv) "Net Gain" or "Net Loss" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member held at a Clearing Organization, the sum of the (i) Collateral on Hand; and (ii) Liquidation Cost. If such amount is a positive number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Gain" with respect to the relevant account. If such amount is a negative number, a Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a "Net Loss" with respect to the relevant account. If the Liquidation Cost amounted to a gain, it shall be a positive number for this calculation. If the Liquidation Cost amounted to a loss, it will be a negative amount for this calculation.
- (ww) "Other VM Gain" or "Other VM Loss" means: (x) with respect to a Defaulting Member of FICC, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to FICC due to the Funds-Only Settlement payments (as defined in the GSD Rules) arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the portion of the Defaulting Member's GSD Accounts that does not include the positions in the Cross-Margining Account at FICC; and (y) with respect to a Defaulting Member of CME, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to CME arising from or related to the mark-to-market movement of the positions (excluding positions in IRS Contracts (as defined under CME's Rules)) or positions that are commingled with positions in IRS Contracts pursuant to CME Rule 8G831 in the Defaulting Member's accounts (but excluding its Cross-Margining Account) at CME.
 - (xx) "Original Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
 - (yy) "Party" and "Parties" have the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- (zz) "Preliminary Payment Obligation" means the amount that is, if any, determined by applying the loss sharing principles set forth in accordance with Section 7(d) of this Agreement to the results of the liquidation of the Used Positions 7, payable by one Clearing Organization to the other Clearing Organization.

"Pro Rata Share" means a fraction calculated as described in Section 5(c) of this Agreement.

- (aaa) "Proprietary Account" has the meaning given that term in CFTC Regulation 1.3(y). Unless otherwise expressly provided, the term "Proprietary Account" includes the Proprietary Cross-Margining Account of a Cross-Margining Participant of CME.
- (bbb) "Reimbursement Obligation" means the obligation, as set forth in Section 7(h) of this Agreement, of a Cross-Margining Participant to a Clearing Organization that is obligated to make a payment on behalf of such Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate pursuant to a Guaranty.
- "Residual Margin Amount" means the long Margin amount or the short Margin amount, as the case may be, in each Offset Class that is available for cross-margining after all internal offsets are conducted within and between offset classes at a particular Clearing Organization, as contemplated in Section 5 of this Agreement. With respect to the CME, Residual

Margin Amount only includes the "risk" portion of margin held by the CME. The "risk" portion of margin held with respect to a futures contract is the entire margin requirement, whereas the 'risk' portion of margin held with respect to an option on a future excludes the option value.

"Residual Position" means the amount of an Eligible Position in each Offset Class that remains after internal offsets.has the meaning set forth in Section 7(i).

(ccc) "Rules" means the rules, policies and procedures of the, as applicable, the Rulebook of FICC's Government Securities Division of FICC, and interpretations thereof, as they may be in effect from time to time, and for CME, the by-laws, rules and policies and procedures of CME, and interpretations thereof ("GSD Rules") or the Rules of CME ("CME Rules"), as they may be in effect from time to time.

"Used Position" means that portion of a Residual Position that is associated with the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used in determining the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes.

- (ddd) "SEC" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.
- (eee) "Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement" means, in respect of a Clearing Organization, the ratio calculated by dividing (i) the amount of Margin required for the Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization after taking into account the Margin Reduction set forth in Section 4(a), by (ii) the Cross-Margining Requirement.
- (fff) "Stand-Alone Margin Requirement" means, as to each Clearing Organization, the Margin requirement that such Clearing Organization would calculate with respect to a Cross-Margining Account it carries as if calculated by such Clearing Organization without regard to this Agreement or another cross-margining agreement.
- (ggg) "Variation Margin" means, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of a Defaulting Member, the amounts owed to or by the Defaulting Member, as applicable, by or to a Clearing Organization due to the mark-to-market movement arising from or related to the positions in the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margining Account at CME or the Defaulting Member's Cross-Margin Positions at FICC from the time immediately prior to a Default Event until the time the liquidation of a Defaulting Member is complete for both CME and FICC.

2. <u>Participation</u>.

(a)—FICC and CME shall each determine which of its Clearing Members is eligible to become a Cross-Margining Participant; provided that in order to become a Cross—Margining Participant, a Clearing Member of either such Clearing Organization must be; a Joint Clearing Member or havebe an Affiliate that is, of a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization that such other Clearing Organization hasboth Clearing Organizations have determined to be eligible to be a Cross-Margining Participant. A common Clearing Member of FICC and CME shall become a Cross Margining Participant upon acceptance by FICC and CME of an agreement in the form of Appendix D hereto. A Clearing Member of FICC or CME and its Affiliate that is a Clearing Member of the other Clearing Organization shall become Cross Margining Participants and Cross Margining Affiliates of one another upon acceptance by FICC and CME of an

agreement in the form of Appendix E hereto. Either FICC or CME may require a Cross-Margining Participant to provide an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability of the provisions of this Agreement and the Rules of the applicable Clearing Organization with respect to such Cross-Margining Participant and its Cross-Margining Affiliate, if any. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, upon acceptance of a Clearing Member as a Cross-Margining Participant, and the Clearing Organizations shall mutually agree on a start date for the Cross-Margining Participant.

- (b) A Joint Clearing Member shall become a Cross-Margining Participant upon the acceptance by FICC and CME of a Clearing Member Cross-Margining Agreement (Joint Clearing Member) in the form of Appendix A hereto.
- (c) (b) In addition to the rights of each Clearing Organization discussed in Section 7 of this Agreement, either FICC or CME may terminate the participation of a particular Cross-Margining Participant upon two Business Days' prior written notice to the other Clearing Organization; provided, however, that no such termination pursuant to this subsection (b) shall be effective with respect to any Reimbursement Obligation or Guaranty, or any Maximization Reimbursement Obligation or Maximization Payment Guaranty, with respect to that Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate that is incurred prior to the effectiveness of any such termination. A Clearing Member of FICC or CME and its Affiliate that is a Clearing Member at the other Clearing Organization shall become Cross-Margining Participants and Cross-Margining Affiliates of one another upon the acceptance by FICC and CME of a Clearing Member Cross-Margining Agreement (Affiliated Clearing Members) in the form of Appendix B hereto.
- 3. Positions Subject to Cross-Margining. All positions in FICC Eligible Products maintained by a Cross-Margining Participant in its account at FICC and all positions in CBOT Eligible Products and CME Eligible Products maintained by a Cross-Margining Participant in its proprietary account(s) at CME shall be deemed to be Eligible Positions for purposes of this Agreement. In the event that all necessary regulatory approvals are obtained, the Clearing Organizations shall promptly take steps (including the amendment of the agreements between the Clearing Organizations and their Cross-Margining Participants) to permit positions in CME Eligible Products or CBOT Eligible Products maintained by a Cross Margining Participant in customer accounts at CME to be deemed to be Eligible Positions for purposes of this Agreement.
- 4. Offset Classes, Disallowance Factors, Minimum Margin Factor, and Figure of Merit. For purposes of calculating the Cross-Margining Reduction for Eligible Positions at FICC and CME in accordance with Section 5 of this Agreement, FICC and CME shall agree upon the categorization of Eligible Products into Offset Classes and shall agree upon the Disallowance Factors and the Minimum Margin Factor to be applied to the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used to derive the Margin Offset between each possible pair of Offset Classes. Except to the extent that the Clearing Organizations mutually agree otherwise in writing, the Offset Classes shall be as set forth on Appendix B. An example of a schedule containing Disallowance Factors is set forth in Appendix B. The Clearing Organizations shall mutually agree in writing from time to time on the Disallowance Factors and the Minimum Margin Factor that shall be used in this Cross-Margining Arrangement. The methodology for calculating the Figure of-Merit, which will be used to determine the applicable CME Offset Class with respect to CME Eligible Products, is set forth on Appendix C1. The methodology for the conversion of CBOT futures contracts to Treasury equivalents is set forth on Appendix C2. These agreed upon factors and the Figure of Merit

methodology do not limit FICC or CME's rights under Section 5(d) of this Agreement to determine their own actual Margin requirements with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions.

- (d) <u>Either FICC or CME may require a Cross-Margining Participant to provide an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability of the provisions of this Agreement and the Rules of the applicable Clearing Organization with respect to such Cross-Margining Participant and, if applicable, its Cross-Margining Affiliate.</u>
- (e) In addition to the rights of each Clearing Organization under Section 7 of the Agreement, either FICC or CME may terminate the participation of a particular Cross-Margining Participant (including, if applicable, a Cross-Margining Affiliate at such Clearing Organization) upon two Business Days' prior written notice to the other Clearing Organization provided, however, that no such termination shall be effective with respect to any Reimbursement Obligation or Guaranty with respect to that Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate that is incurred prior to the effectiveness of any such termination.
- 3. Establishment of Cross-Margining Accounts. Each Cross-Margining Account, and all Eligible Positions and Margin contained therein or deposited in respect thereof, shall be subject to this Agreement, the Clearing Member Agreement and the Rules. If CME determines at any time that any Eligible Position held in a Cross-Margining Participant's Cross-Margining Account at CME are non-risk reducing, CME may either restrict the addition of Eligible Positions to the Cross-Margining Account at CME or require the Cross-Margining Participant to move or liquidate such Eligible Positions at CME.
- <u>4.</u> <u>5. Calculation of the Cross-Margining Reduction</u>. *[amended June 2014]* <u>-Margin Requirements.</u>
- (a) (a) On each Business Day on and after the Effective Date, and with respect to each Cross-Margining Participant, each of FICC and CME will calculate a long (short) Residual Position and the associated Residual Margin Amount in each Offset Class. The Residual Positions shall be derived after first internally offsetting any Eligible Positions. CME's Residual Margin Amounts shall be calculated in accordance with the CME's SPAN® margining system. FICC's Residual Margin Amounts shall be calculated as specified in this Agreement and shall be adjusted, if necessary, to correct for differences between the methodology of calculating the Residual Margin Amount as described in this Agreement and FICC's value-at-risk methodology. On each Business Day, the Cross-Margin Requirement for the Combined Portfolio, and the corresponding reduction in the Margin required (if any) for each Cross-Margining Account shall be determined as follows. Each Clearing Organization will calculate the difference between (x) the sum of the Stand-Alone Margin Requirements for the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products in the relevant Cross-Margining Accounts and (y) the Margin it would require if the combined portfolio of the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products were held in a single account (the "Combined Portfolio") and determine the percentage of margin savings that would be derived for such accounts by margining the CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products as a Combined Portfolio. The Clearing Organizations will then compare their respective margin savings percentages, and, if the lesser of such margin savings percentage exceeds the threshold agreed by the Clearing Organizations from time to time, each Clearing Organization will then reduce the Margin required to be deposited by a Clearing Member at such Clearing Organization

with respect to the CME Eligible Products or the FICC Eligible Products, as applicable, by the lower of such margin savings percentages. If the respective margin savings percentages are less than the threshold agreed by the Clearing Organizations from time to time, no Margin Reduction will be applied. The Cross-Margin Requirement with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant may not be changed without the consent of both Clearing Organizations.

CME shall then inform FICC of (1) the long or short Residual Position computed in each Offset Class and (2) the long (short) Residual Margin Amount associated with such Residual Position. FICC shall calculate the CME effective Margin Rate for the particular Offset Class which shall be determined by dividing (2) by (1) above.

Based on the amounts computed in the previous two paragraphs of this subsection (a), FICC shall determine the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts by multiplying:

- □ The long or the short Residual Position in each Offset Class, and
- The lesser of the FICC Margin Rate for the applicable Offset Class or the CME Margin Rate for the applicable Offset Class. For purposes of this comparison of Margin Rates as between an FICC Offset Class and a CME Offset Class, if the applicable Offset Class is a FICC Offset Class, the rates that shall be compared are: (i) FICC's Margin Rate applicable to that Offset Class and (ii) the CME Margin Rate applicable to the particular FICC Offset Class as determined by Appendix B (which, in effect, is equal to the FICC Margin Rate for the particular Offset Class). If the applicable Offset Class is a CME Offset Class, the rates that shall be compared are: (i) CME's effective Margin Rate and (ii) the FICC Margin Rate applicable to the particular Offset Class as determined by Appendix B.

FICC shall inform CME, and CME shall inform FICC, of the exact methodology used to ealculate its Residual Positions. FICC shall inform CME, and CME shall inform FICC, of any non-emergency change in the methodology used to make such calculations no less than 30 calendar days prior to implementation of such change, with the understanding that this obligation to provide advance notice of changes in margin methodology used in calculating Residual Positions shall not limit either Clearing Organization's right under Section 5(d) to determine its actual Margin requirements with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions. CME shall inform FICC in advance (and to the extent practicable, not less than 30 calendar days in advance) of any non-emergency change to the contract specifications of CBOT Eligible Products and CME Eligible Products. FICC shall inform CME in advance (and to the extent practicable, not less than 30 calendar days in advance) of any non-emergency changes to the remaining maturity buckets in the list of FICC Eligible Products. In addition, both FICC and CME shall promptly inform each other of changes to either their Margin Rates or Margin amounts required per Eligible Position.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each of FICC and CME may unilaterally determine, on any Business Day, to reduce (including to reduce to zero) the Residual Positions and the corresponding Residual Margin Amounts that it makes available for cross-margining with respect to an individual Cross-Margining Participant or with respect to all Cross-Margining Participants. The effect of such action on the Guaranties shall be governed by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f).



To the extent that the Cross-Margining Participant has long Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC in one or more Offset Classes and short Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME in one or more Offset Classes, or vice versa, then the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used shall be determined as follows:

Offset will first occur between the pair of Offset Classes with the lowest Disallowance Factor. Subsequent unused offsets, if any, will generally occur between pairs of Offset Classes in order of increasing Disallowance Factors. The Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used at each Clearing Organization in the cross-margining offset between a pair of Offset Classes shall be the smaller of the long Applicable Residual Margin Amount or the short Applicable Residual Margin Amount in the pair of Offset Classes. Such Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used shall be reduced by the product of the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and the greater of the applicable Disallowance Factor or the Minimum Margin Factor to derive the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes.

The Cross Margining Reduction for a Cross Margining Participant at each Clearing Organization shall be equal to the sum of the Margin Offsets and shall be the same amount at each Clearing Organization.

- (b) Neither CME nor FICC shall permit positions in CME Eligible Products or in FICC Eligible Products, respectively, that are carried in a Cross-Margining Account A pursuant to this Agreement to be subject to any other cross-margin arrangement.
- (c) The following shall occur in the case of Either Clearing Organization may in its sole discretion and at any time require a Cross-Margining Participant of CME that is also ato deposit an amount of Margin which exceeds such Cross-Margining Participant's Stand-Alone Margin Requirement at such Clearing Organization.

Cross-Margining Participant of one or more Other COs:

In order to determine the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used, the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts of the Cross-Margining Participant in Offset Classes at FICC shall be allocated in order of increasing Disallowance Factors, subject to Section 5(e) of this Agreement. In the event that more than one Other CO, including for this purpose CME, has Applicable Residual Margin Amounts with equally beneficial Disallowance Factors, FICC shall generally allocate its Applicable Residual Margin Amounts on a pro rated basis based on the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts computed by FICC for each such clearing organization in relation to the aggregate Applicable Residual Margin Amounts computed by FICC for all clearing organizations for that particular Disallowance Factor. The proportion of the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC that is offset against the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME shall be referred to hereafter as CME's "Pro Rata Share" for such Cross-Margining Participant per Offset Class. The Pro Rata Share for each Other CO shall be similarly determined. Such Applicable Residual Margin

Amounts Used shall be reduced by the product of the Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used and the greater of the applicable Disallowance Factor or the Minimum Margin Factor to derive the Margin Offset with respect to each pair of Offset Classes. An illustrative example of FICC's allocation of its Applicable Residual Margin Amounts is shown in Appendix F hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the allocation as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix F, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, FICC reserves the right to disregard the foregoing prioritization based on increasing Disallowance Factors and/or the pro rata allocation among CME and Other COs and to increase or decrease, including to decrease to zero, the Applicable Residual Margin Amounts that it allocates to CME with respect to one or more Cross-Margining Participants if, in FICC's sole discretion, such increase or decrease is appropriate in view of unusual circumstances affecting CME, an Other CO, the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, the Eligible Positions at CME or an Other CO, or otherwise. In such an event, the CME's Pro Rata Share shall be the proportion of the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at FICC that is actually offset against the Cross-Margining Participant's Applicable Residual Margin Amounts at CME. The effect of such action on the Guaranties shall be governed by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) of this Agreement.

(d) Although it is contemplated that FICC and CME may reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement in respect of Eligible Positions by the amount of the Cross-Margining Reduction in reliance upon the Guaranty of the other as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B below, nothing in this Agreement will be construed as requiring any such reduction. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization may unilaterally determine its actual Margin requirements in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant's Eligible Positions taking into consideration market conditions, the financial condition of a Cross Margining Participant (or its Cross Margining Affiliate), the size of positions carried by a Cross-Margining Participant (or its Cross-Margining Affiliate) or any other factor or circumstance deemed by it to be relevant, but in no event shall a Clearing Organization reduce the actual Margin requirement of a Cross-Margining Participant by more than the Cross-Margining Reduction. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC shall have the right to reduce the Cross-Margining Reduction of a FICC Cross Margining Participant to compensate for risks associated with the time value of any options on futures that may be included within the Used Positions. In addition to any notices required under Sections 6(a) and 7 of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other in the event that it chooses not to reduce a Cross-Margining Participant's Margin requirement by the amount of the Cross Margining Reduction. Such action by one or both of the Clearing Organizations shall not affect the Guaranty as in effect at that time with respect to the particular Cross-Margining Participant as set forth in Sections 8A and 8B.

CME and FICC shall each determine to its own satisfaction that the Margin it requires in respect of a Cross-Margining Participant's Residual Positions, together with the Guaranty of the other Clearing Organization, is adequate to protect itself. Absent gross negligence or willful misconduct, noneither Clearing Organization shall have liability to anythe other Clearing Organization or to any other person based solely upon the fact that any information given or

calculated by such Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section 5 of the Agreement was inaccurate or inadequate. As used in the preceding sentence, the term "Clearing Organization" means FICC, CME, and Other COs. The liability of CME and FICC to any Cross-Margining Participant, Cross-Margining Affiliate or third party shall be as further provided in the CME Rules and the FICCGSD Rules.

- (e) Although it is contemplated that the Cross-Margin Requirement may be less than the sum of the Stand-Alone Margin Requirements, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring such result. Any calculation of a Cross-Margining Reduction, including without limitation any order of offset between possible pairs of Offset Classes (including offsets between FICC and CME Offset Classes and between FICC and Other CO Offset Classes) provided for in Section 5 of this Agreement Margin Requirement shall not result in any guarantee to anya Cross-Margining Participant that such calculation will yield any, or the highest lowest possible, Cross-Margining Reduction Margin Requirement.
- (f) Illustrative examples of the calculation of Cross Margining Reductions are set forth on Appendix G hereto. The examples are intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of those calculations as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix G, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

5. [Reserved]

- 6. <u>Daily Procedures for Exchange of Portfolio Cross-Margining Data.</u>
- (a) All daily settlements of funds and securities, including the collection of Margin (a) payments and the release or payment of excess Margin with respect to Eligible Positions and transactions relating to Eligible Positions shall be conducted on each Business Day (and shall be conducted by the Clearing Organization that is open for business on each day that is a business day for it and not for the other Clearing Organization) in accordance with the ordinary settlement procedures of each Clearing Organization. FICC and CME shall establish procedures a separate service level agreement ("SLA"), including time frames, to exchange on each Business Day such information as may reasonably be required in order to value the positions in the Cross-Margining Account and to calculate the Cross-Margining Reduction-Margin Requirement for each Cross-Margining Participant. The initial procedures and timeframes for such exchange of information are set forth on Appendix H hereto SLA will also include: (i) operational processes consistent with the default management provisions set forth in Section 7 of this Agreement; and (ii) the process and criteria under which FICC or CME may make a request to the other Clearing Organization to modify its list of CME Eligible Products or FICC Eligible Products, as applicable. Such process will include that only products that do not require a change to FICC or CME's margin model are be permitted to be subject to this process, and any modification requires the mutual written consent of both Parties. Each Clearing Organization shall furnish to the other such additional information as the other Clearing Organization may reasonably request in relation to the Cross-Marginingthis Agreement.
- (b) FICC and CME agree that each will notify the other Clearing Organization promptly if an event occurs that reflects, in the sole discretion of the notifying Clearing

Organization, a material problem with respect to a Cross-Margining Participant. Examples of such an event shall include, but shall not be limited to, the events requiring notice pursuant to Section 14(a)16 of this Agreement.

- (b) On any day that the CME is open for business and FICC is not, or vice versa, the Guaranties as determined by Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f) shall be in effect until new Guaranties are established pursuant to Sections 8A(f) and 8B(f), respectively the next Business Day when both Clearing Organizations conduct a settlement cycle. Days that are holidays for either FICC or CME, or both, and therefore not Business Days under this Agreement, are as published by each Clearing Organization for each particular calendar year.
- 7. <u>Suspension and Liquidation of a Cross—Margining Participant.</u>

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(a) (a) Either FICC or CME may at any time exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of a Cross-Margining Participant (a "Defaulting Member") and, subject to the provisions of the next sentence, to liquidate the positions and Margin of such Cross-Margining Participant "Defaulting Member"). When the Clearing Member against which FICC or CME exercises such rights is part of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, the term "Defaulting Member" covers the Cross Margining Affiliates together or individually as the context requires. Upon such event (the "Default Event"), the terminating or suspending Clearing Organization that has taken the foregoing actions (the "Liquidating CO") shall immediately by telephone or in person, and thereafter in writing, notify the other Clearing Organization of such event and both such the actions it has taken. The other Clearing Organization shall then immediately notify the Liquidating CO whether it will take similar action under its Rules. If the other Clearing Organization notifies the Liquidating CO that it will take such similar action, then both Clearing Organizations shall promptly and prudently liquidate (through market transactions or other commercially reasonable means) all Used Positions of such Defaulting Member (or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, as the case may be) at such Clearing Organizations except to the extent that FICC and CME mutually agree to delay liquidation of all or any portion of the Used Positions or except to the extent that either determines unilaterally not to liquidate all or any portion of the Used Positions as provided below. Except to the extent that one Clearing Organization has determined unilaterally not to liquidate, FICC and CME shall use reasonable efforts to coordinate the liquidation of the Used Positions so that offsetting or hedged positions can be closed out simultaneously. Any funds received by a Clearing Organization as a result of the liquidation of the Used Positions of a Cross-Margining Participant pursuant to this Section 7 shall be applied in accordance with the following paragraphs of this Sectiontake the steps set forth in subparagraph (b) below. If the other Clearing Organization notifies the Liquidating CO that it will not take such similar action, then the other Clearing Organization (the "Non-Liquidating CO") shall immediately require the Defaulting Member to pay the Non-Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the sum of (x) its Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO, and (y) its Margin Reduction at the Non-Liquidating CO, within one hour of demand. If the Non-Liquidating CO receives this payment in full from the Defaulting Member or otherwise, within such timeframe, it shall, within one hour of such receipt, pay the Liquidating CO in immediately available funds the Defaulting Member's Margin Reduction at the Liquidating CO. After the Non-Liquidating CO makes such payment in full, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, it shall have no further obligations to the Liquidating CO under this Agreement with respect to the Default Event. If the Non-Liquidating CO does not receive this payment in full from the

Defaulting Member or otherwise, within one hour of such receipt or other agreed upon timeframe, then it will cease to act for the Defaulting Member, and it, along with the Liquidating CO shall promptly take the steps set forth in subparagraph (b) below.

- (b) The Clearing Organizations shall take the following steps:
 - <u>First</u>, the Clearing Organizations shall attempt in good faith to jointly transfer, liquidate or close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Accounts carried for the Defaulting Member (the "Relevant Positions"). To the extent the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(i) and not under Section 7(b)(iii), the loss sharing provisions set forth in Section 7(c) shall apply and the loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall not apply.
 - (ii) Second, in the event a Clearing Organization determines that jointly transferring, liquidating or closing out the Relevant Positions is not feasible or advisable, any Clearing Organization ("X") may, upon written notice to the other Clearing Organization ("Y"), offer to buy-out the Relevant Positions at the last settlement price for such positions immediately prior to the time such offer is made and any remaining collateral relating thereto from Y (which Y may accept or reject in its sole discretion). If such a buy-out occurs, then, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Y shall have no further obligations to X under this Agreement with respect to the Default Event. For the avoidance of doubt, the loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(c), 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall not apply if the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(ii).
 - (iii) If a Clearing Organization determines that it is not advisable or feasible to resolve the Default Event pursuant to Paragraphs (b)(i) or (b)(ii) above, it shall so notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, each Clearing Organization shall promptly transfer, liquidate or otherwise close out the Eligible Positions in the Cross-Margining Account carried for the Defaulting Member at that Clearing Organization. The loss sharing provisions set forth in Sections 7(d), 7(e) and 7(f) shall apply to the extent the Default Event is resolved under this Section 7(b)(iii).
- (c) To the extent a joint liquidation occurs as described in Section 7(b)(i), the following provisions shall apply:
 - (i) Each Clearing Organization shall calculate its individual Net Gain or individual Net Loss, if any, taking into account solely its individual Collateral on Hand and its individual Liquidation Cost.
 - (ii) Using the individual Net Gains or individual Net Losses calculated in 7(c)(i) above, the Clearing Organizations shall jointly calculate the sum of the combined Net Gains and Net Losses, if any, of the Clearing Organizations with respect to the Cross-Margining Accounts of the Defaulting Member.

- Any resulting combined Net Gain or combined Net Loss shall be allocated pro rata between the Clearing Organizations based on each Clearing Organization's Share of the Cross-Margining Requirement (its "Allocated Net Gain" or "Allocated Net Loss", as applicable).
- (iii) If a Clearing Organization has an individual Net Gain that is less than its Allocated Net Gain, an individual Net Loss that is greater than its Allocated Net Loss or an individual Net Loss when the joint liquidation resulted in a combined Net Gain (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (c)(iii), the "worse-off party") then the other Clearing Organization shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the difference between the worse-off party's individual Net Gain or Net Loss and its Allocated Net Gain and Allocated Net Loss.
- (iv) For the purposes of determining any Net Gain or Net Loss under Section 7(c)(i)-(iii), neither Clearing Organization shall include any amount paid or received under Section 7(c)(v) and (vi) in the calculation of Net Gain and Net Loss.
- (v) The following shall apply:
 - If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Gain with respect to a Defaulting Member, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Cross-Margin VM Gain; provided that the VM Payor shall not be required to make such payment to the extent it reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in an individual Net Loss to it or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment described in Section 7(c)(vi) below.
 - If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss and the sum of these amounts (hereinafter "Aggregate VM Gain") is positive, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall make a payment to the VM Receiver in the amount of the VM Receiver's Cross-Margin VM Loss, but not to exceed the VM Payor's Aggregate VM Gain unless the Parties otherwise agree that the VM Payor shall pay a higher amount; provided that the VM Payor shall not be required to make such payment to the extent it

- reasonably determines that the liquidation of the Defaulting Member will result in an individual Net Loss to it or that the VM Receiver will be limited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making the payment described in Section 7(c)(vi) below.
- If, on any Business Day during the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, a Clearing Organization ("VM Payor") has a Cross-Margin VM Gain and an Other VM Loss with respect to a Defaulting Member and the sum of these two amounts is negative, and the other Clearing Organization ("VM Receiver") has a Cross-Margin VM Loss with respect to the Defaulting Member, the VM Payor shall not be required to make a payment to the VM Receiver unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- (vi) The deadline for any payments pursuant to the foregoing paragraphs shall be jointly determined by the Clearing Organizations. After the completion of the liquidation of a Defaulting Member, any VM Receiver shall be obligated to pay to the VM Payor any amounts received by the VM Receiver pursuant to Section 7(c)(v) in connection with the liquidation, provided, however, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, a VM Receiver shall only be required to pay such amount to the VM Payor if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment. The obligation of the VM Receiver to pay any such amounts shall be netted and offset against any payment obligation of the VM Payor pursuant to Section 7
- (d) If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, both Clearing Organizations have a Net Gain or a Net Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8 and 9 below.
- (e) If, with respect to the Cross-Margining Account of the Defaulting Member, either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (e), the "worse-off party") and the other has a Net Gain (solely for purposes of this Paragraph (e), the "better-off party") that is equal to or exceeds the absolute value of the worse-off party's Net Loss, then the better-off party shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to the absolute value of such Net Loss; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the better-off party shall only be required to pay the amount of such Net Loss to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.
- (f) If either Clearing Organization has a Net Loss (solely for the purposes of this Paragraph (f), the "worse-off party") and the other Clearing Organization has a Net Gain (solely for the purposes of this Paragraph (f), the "better-off party") that is less than or equal to the absolute value of the worse-off party's Net Loss, then the better-off party shall be required to pay to the worse-off party an amount equal to such Net Gain; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the better-off party shall only be required to pay the

amount of such Net Gain to the worse-off party if it is not prohibited by statute, court order or other applicable law from making such payment.

- In liquidating the Used Positions of their respective Cross Margining Participants, FICC and CME shall each determine as soon as practicable, but in any event within 15 calendar days from the day of the Default Event, the Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss at the Net Gain or Net Loss of that Clearing Organization. FICC shall notify CME, and CME shall notify FICC, of the amount of its own Cross MarginNet Gain or Cross MarginNet Loss and, in such detail as may reasonably be requested, the means by which such calculation was made. calculations were made. If FICC is obligated to make a payment of the Payment Obligation to CME, or CME is obligated to make a payment of the Payment Obligation to FICC, in respect of a Guaranty, the Clearing Organization obligated to make such payment shall do so promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation by both Clearing Organizations of their Net Gain or Net Loss, as applicable. All payments required to be made under this Paragraph (g) shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (b) In liquidating the Used Positions of their respective Cross-Margining Participants, FICC and CME shall each apply any proceeds of closing out positions as follows:
 - CME shall compute proceeds from the long side of market positions (long futures, long calls and short puts) separately from the short side of market positions (short futures, short calls and long puts).
 - FICC shall compute proceeds from long Government Securities positions separately from short Government Securities positions.

Only the proceeds from the side of market that was offset pursuant to this Agreement at the last margin cycle ("the Isolated Side") will be allocated to determine the Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss.

- At CME, with regard to CME Eligible Products, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the number of Eurodollar delta equivalents which comprise the Used Positions for that Offset Class for the last cross-margining cycle, divided by the total number of Eurodollar delta equivalents from the side of market that was offset.
- At CME, with regard to CBOT Eligible Products, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the value of futures contracts and options on futures contracts that were offset pursuant to this Agreement for that Offset Class, divided by the total market value of futures contracts and options on futures contracts in the Offset Class form the side of the market that was offset.
- At FICC, the proceeds from the Isolated Side from each Offset Class without regard to any Margin or Available Margin will be allocated based on the following fraction: the market value of Government Securities that was offset pursuant to this

Agreement for that Offset Class, divided by the total market value of Government Securities in the Offset Class from the side of market that was offset.

In the event that (i) the sum of any allocated proceeds of the liquidation of the Used Positions on the Isolated Side of the market realized by such Clearing Organization (including securities deliverable to, and amounts receivable in respect of securities deliverable by, such Cross-Margining Participant in settlement of the Used Positions) and any Mark to Market Payments or other settlement amounts due from such Clearing Organization in respect of the Isolated Side of the Used Positions exceeds (ii) the sum of the allocated Mark to Market Payments or other settlement amounts owed to such Clearing Organization in respect of, or as a result of the closeout of, the Used Positions on the Isolated Side of the Market (including securities deliverable by, or amounts payable in respect of securities deliverable to, such Cross-Margining Participant in respect of the Used Positions), plus any interest expense, fees, commissions or other costs reasonably incurred in such close-out or otherwise arising from such Used Positions, then the amount of such excess shall be deemed to be the Cross Margin Gain. In the event that the sum referred to in clause (ii) of the preceding sentence is less than the amount referred to in clause (iii), the difference shall be the Cross Margin Loss.

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of a Cross-Margining Participant that is, or that has a Cross Margining Affiliate that is, a Cross-Margining Participant of one or more Other COs, such Cross-Margining Participant's Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss at FICC shall be allocated among the CME and Other COs in accordance with the Pro Rata Share fraction computed in Section 5 above with respect to each Offset Class.
- (d) If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization in respect of the Guaranties between FICC and CME referred to in Sections 8A and 8B below (although a payment may be due under Section 8C of this Agreement). If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross-Margining Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such Guaranties will offset one another and no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization (although a payment may be due under Section 8C of this Agreement).

If either FICC or CME has a Cross Margin Loss (hereinafter the "worse off party") and the other has a smaller Cross Margin Loss, no Cross Margin Loss or a Cross Margin Gain (hereinafter the "better off party"), then the worse off party shall be entitled to receive a payment from the better off party known as the Preliminary Payment Obligation and equal to the smallest of the following:

- (i) the Cross Margin Loss of the worse off party;
- (ii) the higher of (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or (b) Cross Margin Gain of the better off party;
- (iii) the amount required to equalize FICC's and CME's Cross Margin Gains (Losses);
- (iv) the amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better off party's Cross Margin Loss if both parties have Cross Margin Losses.

For purposes of the foregoing determination of the Preliminary Payment Obligation owed by one Clearing Organization to another, a Clearing Organization that has elected unilaterally not to suspend or liquidate any of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (the "Non-Liquidating CO") shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain equal to the Cross Margin Loss of the Clearing Organization that liquidated all of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (the "Liquidating CO"). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the Non-Liquidating CO shall not be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain that is less than the Base Amount of the Guaranty. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, in the event a Clearing Organization is directed not to suspend or liquidate the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness, the Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain equal to the Base Amount of the Guaranty.

A Clearing Organization that has elected to liquidate a portion, but not all, of the Used Positions of the Defaulting Member or its Cross Margining Affiliate (the "Partially Liquidating CO") shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain or Loss equal to the gain or loss on the liquidated portion plus a gain equal to a pro rated amount of the Cross Margin Loss of the Liquidating CO, pro rated based on the portion of the Used Positions that the Partially Liquidating CO did not liquidate. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, the Partially Liquidating CO shall not be deemed to have, with respect to the unliquidated portion of the Used Positions, a gain which is less than the pro rated amount of the Base Amount of the Guaranty, pro rated based on the unliquidated portion of the Used Positions. Notwithstanding the previous sentences, in the event a Clearing Organization is directed to partially liquidate a Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness, the Clearing Organization shall be deemed to have a Cross Margin Gain or Loss equal to the gain or loss on the liquidated portion plus a gain equal to a pro rated amount of the Base Amount of the Guaranty, pro rated based on a portion of the Used Positions that the Clearing Organization did not liquidate. The Clearing Organization that determines to liquidate a portion, but not all of, the Used Positions shall do so in good faith based on legitimate business reasons or because it is directed to do so by a regulatory authority in order to promote safety and soundness.

(e) If FICC is obligated to make a payment of the Preliminary Payment Obligation to CME, or CME is obligated to make a payment of the Preliminary Payment Obligation to FICC, in respect of a Guaranty, the Clearing Organization obligated to make such payment shall do so promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation by both Clearing Organizations of their Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss pursuant to Section 7(a) of this Agreement. Such payment shall be made in immediately available funds.

(f) The worse off party shall be required to return all or a portion of the Preliminary Payment Obligation in the form of an Adjustment Payment under the circumstances set forth in this paragraph. In order to establish whether the Preliminary Payment Obligation shall be returned, in whole or in part, to the better off party, each Clearing Organization shall compute its Aggregate Net Loss (Aggregate Net Surplus) and shall do so promptly and in no event later than 15 calendar days from the day on which the better off party paid the Preliminary Payment Obligation to the worse off party. If the worse off party computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, it shall make a payment to the better off party, in respect of a Guaranty, known as the Adjustment Payment and equal to

the lesser of: (i) the worse off party's Aggregate Net Surplus or (ii) the Preliminary Payment Obligation. Such Adjustment Payment shall be made promptly and in no event later than the third Business Day following the calculation of the Aggregate Net Surplus (Aggregate Net Loss) by both Clearing Organizations. Such payment shall be made in immediately available funds.

- (h) (g)—If at any time within 90 calendar days following the Default Eventdate on which a payment is made under Paragraph (g), either Clearing Organization determines that any amount paid to or received from the other Clearing Organization pursuant to Sections 7(e) and/or 7(f) of this Agreement Section 7 in respect of a Guaranty was incorrect either because of errors in calculation at the time or because new information relevant to the determination of such amount was discovered after the determination of such amount, the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information shall notify the other Clearing Organization. In such event, the Clearing Organizations shall: (i) cooperate with one another to recalculate the appropriate amount of any Guaranty payments to be made promptly and in no event later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the daydate on which the Clearing Organization that discovered the error or new information notified the other Clearing Organization, and (ii) make any necessary payments to one another to correct the error within three (3) Business Days following agreement on such recalculation by both Clearing Organizations. Such payment(s) payments shall be made in immediately available funds.
- (h) In the event that either Clearing Organization (the ""Guarantor"") becomes obligated to make a Guaranty payment to the other Clearing Organization (the ""Beneficiary"") in respect of the obligation of a Defaulting Member or its Cross-(including, in the case of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, the obligation of a Cross-Margining Affiliate that is a Cross-Margining Participant at the Beneficiary), to the Beneficiary, the Defaulting Member and such Affiliate (including, in the case of a pair of Cross-Margining Affiliates, both Cross-Margining Affiliates jointly and severally) shall thereupon immediately be obligated, whether or not the Guarantor has then made the Guaranty payment to the Beneficiary, to reimburse the Guarantor for the amount of the Guaranty payment as determined by the Guarantor, and the Guarantor shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the Beneficiary against the Defaulting Member or its(including both Cross-Margining Affiliate. Such obligation (the "-Margining Affiliates, if applicable). The Guarantor shall notify the Defaulting Member (including both Cross-Margining Affiliates, if applicable) of the amount of such obligation (the "Reimbursement Obligation")"), but such notification shall not be a condition to the rights of the Clearing Organizations hereunder, and the Reimbursement Obligation shall be due immediately upon a demand by the Guarantor to the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate specifying the amount of such obligation the determination of the amount thereof. In the event that the final amount of the Guaranty Payment is greater or less than the amount originally determined, the Reimbursement Obligation shall be adjusted accordingly, and payment of the difference shall be made between the Guarantor and the Defaulting Member (or its the relevant Cross-Margining Affiliate, as appropriate). It is understood and agreed that any payment or obligation to make a payment between the Guarantor or its Cross-Margining Participant and the Beneficiary with respect to the Guaranty, and any payment or obligation to make payment between the Defaulting Member or its (including a Cross-Margining Affiliate, as applicable) and the Guarantor, is (i) a ""margin payment" or "settlement payment" or an obligation to make a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" as defined," and (ii) a transfer in connection with a "swap agreement," "commodity contract," "forward contract,"

"securities contract" or "master netting agreement," as such terms are defined in the Bankruptcy Code, as the case may be. In the event that the Guarantor had an Aggregate Net Surplus in respect of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, such Aggregate Net Surplus shall constitute cash, securities, or other property held by or due from the Guarantor within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Reimbursement Obligation of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate shall be netted and set off against such Aggregate Net Surplus, and any remaining Aggregate Net Surplus shall be returned to the Defaulting Member or its representative or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the Rules of the Guarantor, subject to Section 8C. Each Guarantor has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code.

- (j) For purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 USC 4401-4407), this Agreement, together with the FICC Rules, the CME Rules and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof, is a "netting contract" and all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant—are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations."
- (k) (i) A narrative description of the loss-sharing process is set forth on Appendix I hereto. Numerical examples of the calculation of Cross Margin Gain or Cross Margin Loss in liquidating the Used Positions of a Defaulting Member, and the related calculation of the amount of any payments under the Guaranty are set forth on Appendix J hereto. The examples are intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of those calculations as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix I and/or J, the main provisions of this Agreement shall govern.
- (1) The Clearing Organizations will include in the SLA examples of the liquidation scenarios and associated payment obligations described in this Section 7.

<u>8.</u> <u>Guaranty of FICC to CME.</u>

(a)—FICC hereby unconditionally guaranties the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as """CME! Debtor"") to CME, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing arising from or related to the Used Eligible Positions or the liquidation, transfer or management thereof, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the ""Indebtedness to CME")"), but limited to, the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement. FICC further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by CME in enforcing its rights against FICC under this Section 8A.8.

- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to CME (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to FICC and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of FICC under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to CME; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to CME; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty or security therefor or CME's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, CME!'s Debtor or a guarantor. FICC waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to CME and this Guaranty and any requirement that CME exhaust any right or take any action against CME¹'s Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on CME's part to disclose to FICC any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of CME's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. FICC acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment, not collection, and that FICC has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding CME's Debtor.
- (d) (d)—In the event that FICC makes any payment to CME under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not returned reimbursed to FICC in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(f₁) of this Agreement, FICC shall be subrogated to the rights of CME against the Cross—Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to CME such payment was made and to the rights of CME against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to CME.
- (e) (e) All of CME! s rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to CME at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) The Base Amount of FICC's Guaranty to CME under paragraph (a) of this Section 8A with respect to each of CME's Debtors shall be equal to the Cross Margining Reduction as calculated by FICC with respect to each such CME Debtor and such Base Amount shall become effective as follows:
- (i) An increase in the Cross-Margining Reduction shall become effective at the time at which FICC provides CME with a valid cross-margining output file reflecting such increase.
- (ii) A decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction, including to zero, shall become effective at 11:00 a.m. New York time on the Business Day following the Business Day for which the decrease was calculated.

In the event that either Clearing Organization cannot complete its settlement on any Business Day because of an event of force majeure and thus is not able to act upon the decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction by 11:00 a.m. New York time, then subsection (ii) above shall not apply and the Clearing Organizations shall confer with one another and agree upon a course of action that will protect both Clearing Organizations.

An illustrative example of the timing of the effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty is shown in Appendix K hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the timing as set forth in this section of the Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix K, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

- 9. 8B. Guaranty of CME to FICC.
- (a) —CME hereby unconditionally guaranties guarantees the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-—Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as ""FICC" Debtor") to FICC, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing arising from or related to Used Eligible Positions or the liquidation-thereof, transfer or management thereof (all such indebtedness and other obligations, the "Indebtedness to FICC"), but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Indebtedness to FICC"). CME further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by FICC in enforcing its rights against CME under this Section 8B-9.
- (b) The creation or existence from time to time of Indebtedness to FICC (whether or not such Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 7 of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to CME and shall in no way affect or impair this Guaranty.
- (c) The liability of CME under this Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Indebtedness to FICC; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Indebtedness to FICC; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty or security therefor or FICC's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, FICC's Debtor or a guarantor. CME waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Indebtedness to FICC and this Guaranty and any requirement that FICC exhaust any right or take any action against FICC's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on FICC's part to disclose to CME any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of FICC's Debtor or its

affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. CME acknowledges that this Guaranty is a guaranty of payment-not collection, not collection, and that CME has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding FICC's Debtor.

- (d) In the event that CME makes any payment to FICC under this Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not returned to CME in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(f) of this Agreement, CME shall be subrogated to the rights of FICC against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Indebtedness to FICC such payment was made and to the rights of FICC against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Indebtedness to FICC.
- (e) All of FICC's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to FICC at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) The Base Amount of CME's Guaranty to FICC under paragraph (a) of this Section 8A with respect to each of FICC's Debtors shall be equal to the Cross Margining Reduction as calculated by FICC with respect to each such FICC Debtor and such Base Amount shall become effective as follows:
- (i) An increase in the Cross-Margining Reduction shall become effective at the time at which FICC provides CME with a valid cross-margining output file reflecting such increase.
- (ii) A decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction, including to zero, shall become effective at 11:00 a.m. New York time on the Business Day following the Business Day for which the decrease was calculated.

In the event that either Clearing Organization cannot complete its settlement on any Business Day because of an event of force majeure and thus is not able to act upon the decrease in the Cross-Margining Reduction by 11:00 a.m. New York time, then subsection (ii) above shall not apply and the Clearing Organizations shall confer with one another and agree upon a course of action that will protect both Clearing Organizations.

An illustrative example of the timing of the effectiveness of the Base Amount of the Guaranty is shown in Appendix K hereto. The example is intended as an aid to interpretation of the verbal description of the timing as set forth in this section of the Agreement. In the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of the main part of this Agreement and Appendix K, the provisions of the main part of this Agreement shall govern.

8C. <u>Maximization Payment</u>

- (a) If, after payment is made under the Guaranty referred to in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement, FICC has an Aggregate Net Surplus, FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus shall:
 - First be distributed among the clearing organizations that are parties to the agreements listed in Appendix A by FICC as having priority over this Agreement in accordance with the terms of those agreements,

- The remainder of FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus shall be divided among CME and Other COs on a pro rated basis based upon the Base Amount of the Guaranty (or comparable amounts under such other cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member that was computed by FICC for each such clearing organization in relation to the aggregate Base Amounts of the Guaranties (or other comparable amounts under such other cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member that were computed by FICC for such clearing organizations pursuant to their applicable cross-margining agreements until either all Aggregate Net Losses of CME and the Other COs are fully satisfied or FICC's Aggregate Net Surplus has been used up.
- (b) If, after payment is made under the Guaranty referred to in Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement, CME computes an Aggregate Net Surplus, CME's Aggregate Net Surplus shall
 - · First be distributed among the clearing organizations that are parties to the agreements listed in Appendix A by CME as having priority over this Agreement in accordance with the terms of those agreements,
 - The remainder of CME's Aggregate Net Surplus shall be divided among FICC and the other clearing organizations with which CME has signed cross-margining agreements on a pro rated basis based upon the Base Amount of the Guaranty (or comparable amounts under such cross-margining agreements) in effect prior to the Default Event of the Defaulting Member in relation to the aggregate Base Amount of the Guaranties (or comparable amounts under such cross-margining agreements) until either all Aggregate Net Losses of FICC and such other clearing organizations are fully satisfied or CME's Aggregate Net Surplus has been used up.
- (c) In the event of any order or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction (the "Court") that any amount of the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation relating to any Maximization Payment paid pursuant to this Section 8C by a Clearing Organization (the "Payor Clearing Organization") to the other Clearing Organization (the "Payee Clearing Organization") may not be recovered by the Payor Clearing Organization from the Aggregate Net Surplus, the Payee Clearing Agency shall repay that amount to the Payor Clearing Organization; provided, however, that (i) if the Payee Clearing Organization is ordered by the Court to pay to the Defaulting Member (or to any person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) the Maximization Payment paid by the Payor Clearing Organization to the Payee Clearing Organization, then such amount shall be paid by the Payee Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member (or to such other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) and such payment shall discharge any obligation of the Payor Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member and any obligation of the Payee Clearing Organization to the Payor Clearing Organization for such amount, and (ii) if the Payee Clearing Organization is ordered by the Court to pay to the Defaulting Member (or to any person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) only a portion of the Maximization Payment paid by the Payor Clearing Organization to the Payee Clearing Organization, then (A) such amount shall be paid by the Payee Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member (or to such other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) and such payment shall discharge any obligation of the Payor Clearing Organization to the Defaulting Member and any obligation of the Payee Clearing Organization to the Payor

Clearing Organization for such amount and (B) the excess which is not paid to the Defaulting Member (or to any other person on behalf of the Defaulting Member) shall be retained by the Payee Clearing Organization or repaid to the Payor Clearing Organization in accordance with their rights and obligations under this Section 8C. The parties hereto shall cooperate with each other, including in any action or proceeding in any Court, to endeavor to prevent any redundant payments to the Defaulting Member.

(d) In the event that either Clearing Organization (the "Maximization Payment Guarantor") becomes obligated to make a Maximization Payment pursuant to the Maximization Payment Guaranty to the other Clearing Organization (the "Maximization Payment Beneficiary") in respect of the obligation of a Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate to the Maximization Payment Beneficiary, the Defaulting Member and such Affiliate shall thereupon immediately be obligated, whether or not the Maximization Payment Guarantor has then made the Maximization Payment to the Maximization Payment Beneficiary, to reimburse the Maximization Payment Guarantor for the amount of the Maximization Payment as determined by the Maximization Payment Guarantor, and the Maximization Payment Guarantor shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the Maximization Payment Beneficiary against the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate. Such obligation (the "Maximization Reimbursement Obligation") shall be due immediately upon a demand by the Maximization Payment Guarantor to the Defaulting Member or its Cross Margining Affiliate specifying the amount of such obligation. In the event that the final amount of the Maximization Payment is greater or less than the amount originally determined, the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation shall be adjusted accordingly and payment of the difference shall be made between the Maximization Payment Guarantor and the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, as appropriate. It is understood and agreed that any payment or obligation to make payment between the Maximization Payment Guarantor or its Cross-Margining Participant and the Maximization Payment Beneficiary with respect to the Maximization Payment Guaranty, and any payment or an obligation to make a payment between the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate and the Maximization Payment Guarantor, is a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" or an obligation to make a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code. In the event that the Maximization Payment Guarantor had an Aggregate Net Surplus in respect of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate, such Aggregate Net Surplus shall constitute cash, securities, or other property held by, or due from, the Maximization Payment Guarantor within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation of the Defaulting Member or its Cross-Margining Affiliate shall be netted and set off against such Aggregate Net Surplus, and any remaining Aggregate Net Surplus shall be returned to the Defaulting Member or its representative or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the Rules of the Guarantor. Each Maximization Payment Guarantor has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code.

(e) (i) FICC hereby unconditionally guaranties (such guaranty being the Maximization Payment Guaranty) the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "CME's Debtor") to CME, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent,

due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(a) of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Maximization Indebtedness to CME"). FICC further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by CME in enforcing its rights against FICC under this Section 8A, subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement.

- (ii) The creation or existence from time to time of Maximization Indebtedness to CME (whether or not such Maximization Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(a) of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Maximization Payment Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to FICC and shall in no way affect or impair this Maximization Payment Guaranty.
- (iii) Subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement, the liability of FICC under this Maximization Payment Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Maximization Indebtedness to CME; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Maximization Indebtedness to CME or any guaranty or security therefor or CME's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, CME's Debtor or a guarantor. FICC waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Maximization Indebtedness to CME and this Maximization Payment Guaranty and any requirement that CME exhaust any right or take any action against CME's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on CME's part to disclose to FICC any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of CME's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by CME. FICC acknowledges that this Maximization Payment Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that FICC has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding CME's Debtor.
- (iv) In the event that FICC makes a Maximization Payment to CME under this Maximization Payment Guaranty, FICC shall be subrogated to the rights of CME against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Maximization Indebtedness to CME such payment was made and to the rights of CME against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Maximization Indebtedness to CME.
- (v) All of CME's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to CME at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.
- (f) (i) CME hereby unconditionally guaranties (such guaranty being the Maximization Payment Guaranty) the prompt payment when due (whether at maturity, by declaration, by demand

or otherwise), and at any and all times thereafter, of all indebtedness and other obligations of every kind and nature of each Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate (hereafter referred to, in either case, as "FICC's Debtor") to FICC, direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, whether now or hereafter existing, but limited to the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(b) of this Agreement (all such indebtedness and other obligations being hereinafter collectively called the "Maximization Indebtedness to FICC"). CME further agrees to pay any and all reasonable costs and expenses (including counsel fees and expenses) incurred by FICC in enforcing its rights against CME under this Section 8A, subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement.

(ii) The creation or existence from time to time of Maximization Indebtedness to FICC (whether or not such Maximization Indebtedness may be in excess of the amounts determined in accordance with Section 8C(b) of this Agreement to which the right of recovery under this Maximization Payment Guaranty is limited) is hereby authorized without notice to CME and shall in no way affect or impair this Maximization Payment Guaranty.

(iii) Subject to Section 8C(c) of this Agreement, the liability of CME under this Maximization Payment Guaranty shall be unconditional and irrespective of (i) any lack of enforceability of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (ii) any change of the time, manner or place of payment, or any other term, of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty thereof, (iii) any taking, exchange, subordination, release or non-perfection of any collateral securing payment of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC; (iv) the acceptance of additional parties or the release of anyone primarily or secondarily liable on the Maximization Indebtedness to FICC; (v) any law, rule, regulation or order of any jurisdiction or any governmental, regulatory or administrative authority of any kind, whether now or hereafter in effect, affecting any term of any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC or any guaranty or security therefor or FICC's rights with respect thereto; and (vi) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, FICC's Debtor or a guarantor. CME waives promptness, diligence, and notices with respect to any Maximization Indebtedness to FICC and this Maximization Payment Guaranty and any requirement that FICC exhaust any right or take any action against FICC's Debtor or any other person or entity or with respect to any guaranty or collateral security therefor and any duty on FICC's part to disclose to CME any matter, fact or thing related to the business, operations or conditions (financial or otherwise) of FICC's Debtor or its affiliates or its property, whether now or hereafter known by FICC. CME acknowledges that this Maximization Payment Guaranty is a guaranty of payment not collection and that CME has made and will continue to make its own investigations with respect to all matters regarding FICC's Debtor.

(iv) In the event that CME makes a Maximization Payment any payment to FICC under this Maximization Payment Guaranty, and to the extent such payment is not reimbursed to CME in whole or in part pursuant to Section 7(i) of this Agreement, CME shall be subrogated to the rights of FICC against the Cross-Margining Participant or its Cross-Margining Affiliate in respect of whose Maximization Indebtedness to FICC such payment was made and to the rights of FICC against any other guarantor or other third party with respect to such Maximization Indebtedness to FICC.

(g) (v)—All of FICC's rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to FICC at law or otherwise shall be cumulative to the extent permitted by law.

<u>9. Confidentiality.</u>

- (a) (a) Except as expressly authorized in this Agreement and except with respect to information that is disclosed to an Other CO in connection with a Cross-Margining Arrangement, each Clearing Organization shall maintain in confidence, and shall not disclose to any third party, any and all information obtained by it from the other Clearing Organization in connection with (i) this Agreement, or (ii) the transactions or activities contemplated herein with respect to anythe other Clearing Organization, or (iii) and the positions, transactions or and financial condition of any Clearing Member ("of such other Clearing Organization ("Confidential Information—"). The foregoing shall not apply to: (i) any the disclosure of information (i) which is or becomes generally known to the public; other than through an action or failure to act by such Clearing Organization or Clearing Member, or (ii) the disclosure of Confidential Information in violation of this Section 10; (ii) to a third party to whom such information was previously known. This Section 9 shall not prohibit either party from furnishing Confidential Information to: (a; (iii) to the CFTC or, the SEC or, any other regulator or supervisory authority with oversight authority over a Clearing Organization or any of its members, (b) pursuant to any Clearing Members; (iv) to a "registered entity" within the meaning of the CEA or to a "self-regulatory organization" within the meaning of CFTC regulations or the Exchange Act, in either case pursuant to a surveillance agreement or similar arrangement to which such partyClearing Organization is a party, (c) to any "self-regulatory organization" within the meaning of the CEA or; or (v) as may be required by the CEA, the Exchange Act-or to any foreign government or regulatory body, or (d), or CFTC or SEC regulations. Each Clearing Organization may disclose Confidential Information to a Representative of such Clearing Organization withwho has a "need to know" the Confidential Information and who has been instructed to maintain the confidentiality of such Confidential information in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement Information and who has agreed to do so. The term "Representative" shall mean, with respect to a Clearing Organization, such Clearing Organization's and/or its directors, officers offices, employees, agents, and professional consultants and professional advisers.advisors.
- (b) (b) In the event that either party is Clearing Organization is legally required by subpoena, or by any other order of court, valid legal process, or by law or regulation, to disclose any Confidential Information in the possession of such party Clearing Organization, it is agreed that the party Clearing Organization which is subject to such requirement shall provide the other party Clearing Organization with prompt written notice of such requirement so that the other party Clearing Organization may seek an appropriate protective order and/or waive compliance with the provisions of this Section 10 with respect to such required disclosure. In the event that such the other party Clearing Organization determines to seek a protective order, the party Clearing Organization subject to the requirement shall cooperate to the extent reasonably requested by the other Clearing Organization. It is further agreed that if in the absence of a protective order or the receipt of a waiver hereunder, the party Clearing Organization subject to the requirement is nonetheless, in the reasonable opinion of its counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information to any tribunal or regulatory agency or

else stand liable for contempt or suffer other censure or penalty, such <u>partyClearing</u> <u>Organization</u> may produce such Confidential Information without liability under this Section 9.10.

- (c) The provisions of this Section 10 shall survive three (3) years after the termination of this Agreement.
- (d) Each Clearing Organization acknowledges and agrees that the violation of its obligations under this Section 10 would cause irreparable harm to the other Clearing Organization, which harm may not be compensable solely by monetary damages, and that, therefore, in the event of an actual or threatened breach by a Clearing Organization of this Section 10, the other Clearing Organization shall be entitled to immediate injunctive and other equitable relief, without the necessity of proving monetary damages or posting bond or other security. Any such equitable relief granted shall be without prejudice to any other rights and remedies a Clearing Organization may have under this Agreement.
- 11. FDICIA. This Agreement, together with GSD Rules, CME Rules, the Clearing Member Agreement and any other agreements between FICC, CME and a Cross-Margining Participant or any Affiliate thereof is, for purposes of Title IV, Subtitle A of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. §§ 4401-4407), a "netting contract" and all payments made or to be made hereunder, including payments made in accordance with this Agreement in connection with the liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant are "covered contractual payment obligations" or "covered contractual payment entitlements," as the case may be, as well as "covered clearing obligations;" and for purposes of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act is a "master netting agreement" with respect to some or all of "swap agreements," "commodity contracts," "forward contracts," and "securities contracts."

<u>12.</u> <u>10. Indemnification</u>.

- (a) Each of FICC and CME (the "Indemnitor") shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other, its directors, officers, employees, agents and each person, if any, who controls the indemnified Clearing Organization (each an "Indemnified Party") against any Claims and Losses (as defined below) incurred by an Indemnified Party as the result, or arising from allegations, of any act or failure to act by the Indemnitor in connection with this Agreement or the cross-margining procedures contemplated under this Agreement if such act or failure to act constitutes either (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Indemnitor; or (ii) a material breach of this Agreement, or any obligation undertaken in connection with this Agreement, any Rule of the Indemnitor (except to the extent that such Rule is inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement), or any law or governmental regulation applicable to the Indemnitor.
- (b) As used in this Section 10,12, the term "Claims and Losses" means any and all losses, damages and expenses whatsoever arising from claims of third parties including, without limitation, liabilities, judgments, damages, costs of investigation, reasonable attorneys' fees and other expenses and amounts paid in settlement (with the consent of the Indemnitor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld) in connection with any action, suit, litigation, claim or

proceeding to which an Indemnified Party is made a party defendant, or is threatened to be made such a party.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of notice of the commencement of (c) any action or the assertion of any claim against such Indemnified Party, such Indemnified Party shall, if an indemnification claim in respect thereof is to be made against the Indemnitor, notify the Indemnitor in writing of the commencement of such action or assertion of such claims, but the omission so to notify the Indemnitor will not relieve the Indemnitor from any liability which it may have to any Indemnified Party except to the extent that the Indemnitor has been prejudiced materially and adversely affected by the lack of prompt notice and shall in any event not relieve the Indemnitor of any liability which it may have to an Indemnified Party otherwise than under this Section 10. In case any such action is brought against any Indemnified Party, and such party promptly notifies the Indemnitor of the commencement thereof, the 12. The Indemnitor will be entitled to participate in, and, to the extent that it may wish, to assume and control the defense thereof, with counsel chosen by it that is acceptable to the Indemnified Party, which acceptance shall not be unreasonably withheld, and, after notice from the Indemnitor to such Indemnified Party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the Indemnitor will not be liable to such Indemnified Party under this Section 10 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation, but the Indemnified Party may, at its own expense, participate in such defense by counsel chosen by it, without, however, impairing the Indemnitor's control of the defense. In any action in which the named parties include the Indemnitor and one or more Indemnified Parties, the Indemnitor shall have the right to assume control of any legal defenses that are available to it and any of the Indemnified Parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in any action in which the named parties include both the Indemnitor and an Indemnified Party and in which the Indemnified Party shall have been advised by its counsel that there may be legal defenses available to the Indemnified Party that are different from or additional to those available to the Indemnitor, the Indemnitor shall not have the right to assume such different or additional legal defenses, and provided further that the Indemnitor shall not, in connection with one action or separate but substantially similar actions arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be liable for more than the reasonable fees and disbursements of one separate firm of attorneys for all of the Indemnified Parties for the purpose of conducting such different or additional legal defenses. The Indemnitor may negotiate a compromise or settlement of any such action or claim provided that such compromise or settlement does not require a contribution by, or otherwise adversely affect the rights of, the Indemnified Party the defense of the action or claim. For the avoidance of doubt, the Indemnified Party shall control its own defense of the action or claim.

13. Rules of the Clearing Organizations.

(a) 11. Rules of the Clearing Organizations. FICC and CME each shall propose and use all reasonable efforts to obtain any regulatory approvals necessary to adopt and maintain in effect such provisions in its Rules as are reasonably necessary to implement the provisions of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such Rules shall provide that Cross-Margining Participants of the Clearing Organization shall be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and that the Clearing Organization may use its clearing fund, including any rights of

assessments against its Clearing Members, to make payment under any Guaranty given by such Clearing Organization pursuant to Section 8A or 8B and Section 9 of this Agreement.

- (b) FICC and CME shall, to the extent permitted by law, give each other reasonable prior notice of the intended effectiveness of any ruleRule or ruleRule amendment (other than an emergency ruleRule or ruleRule amendment, as to which notice shall be given promptly) adopted by such Clearing Organization if such ruleRule or ruleRule amendment relates in any way to such Clearing Organization's elearing fund, contributions to capital, or Margin requirements, the CME Guaranty Fund or FICC Clearing Fund (as applicable), rights of assessment against its Clearing Members, or similar matters.
 - 12. Representations and Warranties.
- 14. (a) CMERepresentations and Warranties. Each Clearing Organization represents and warrants to FICC, and FICC represents and warrants to CME, the other as of the date hereof and as of the Effective Date as follows:
- (a) Good Standing. It is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporationorganization, has the power and authority to own its assets and to transact the business in which it is now engaged or proposed to be engaged and is duly qualified and authorized to do business as a foreign corporation or company and is in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction in which failure to so qualify could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business or operations.
- (b) (ii) Corporate Power and Authority. It has all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement and the agreements referenced in this Agreement herein, as applicable, and full power and authority to take all actions required of it pursuant to such agreements. This Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement will constitute, when executed and delivered, valid and binding obligations of such Clearing Organization, and the execution, delivery and performance of all of its obligations under this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of such Clearing Organization.
- obtained, and except to the extent representations made hereunder as of the date hereof may be subject to the regulatory approvals referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement by the Clearing Organization and the performance of its obligations under this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement: (i) do not result in a violation or breach of, do not conflict with or constitute a default under, and will not accelerate or permit the acceleration of performance required by, any of the terms and provisions of its eertificate or articles of incorporation, by lawsorganizational documents, rules or other governing documents, any note, debt instrument, or any other agreement to which it is a party or to which any of its assets or properties is subject, and will not be an event which after notice or lapse of time or both will result in any such violation, breach, conflict, default or acceleration; and (ii) do not result in a violation or breach of any law, judgment, decree, order, rule or regulation of any

governmental authority or court, whether federal, state or local, at law or in equity, applicable to it or any of its assets or properties.

- (d) (iv) Operational Capability: It has adequate personnel, physical facilities, systems, and internal procedures to enable it to satisfactorily communicate with the other Clearing Organization and fulfill all anticipated obligations arising under this Agreement with the necessary promptness and accuracy.
- (e) (b) CME represents and warrants to FICC, and FICC represents and warrants to CME, as of the Effective Date that all Authorizations and Consents. All authorizations, permits, approvals or consents required to be obtained from, and all notifications and filings required to be made with, all governmental authorities and regulatory bodies and third parties to permit such Clearing Organization to place into effect this Agreement and the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement and under the applicable agreements referenced in this Agreement have been obtained.
- (c) These representations and warranties shall be deemed to be repeated each day during the term of the Agreement.

15. Termination.

(a) FICC may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to CME specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.

- (b) CME may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to FICC specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (a) FICC may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to CME specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (b) CME may terminate this Agreement without cause by delivering written notice of termination to FICC specifying a termination date not less than 30 days following the date on which such notice is sent.
- (c) (e)—In the event that either FICC or CME fails to perform any material obligation under this Agreement and such failure is not promptly cured after written notice thereof is sent to such Clearing Organization, the non-defaulting Clearing Organization may terminate this Agreement by delivering written notice of such termination to the other party.
- (d) CME may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to FICC in the event that FICC fails to maintain in effect its registration with the SEC as a securities clearing agency. FICC may terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to CME in the event CME fails to maintain in effect its registration with the CFTC as a derivatives clearing organization.

- Agreement immediately upon written notice to the other Party if: (i) the other Party (A) voluntarily commences any proceeding or files any petition under the bankruptcy laws of the United States, (B) becomes subject to any involuntary bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings under the laws of the United States, which proceedings are not dismissed within thirty (30) days, (C) makes an assignment of all or substantially all of its assets for the benefit of its creditors, or (D) appoints a receiver, trustee, custodian or liquidator for a substantial portion of its property, assets or business; or (ii) the other Party passes a resolution for its winding up or dissolution or a court of competent jurisdiction makes an order for such other Party's winding up or dissolution.
- (f) (d)—In the event that a termination date is established under paragraphs (a), (b) or (c) above, each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify all of its Cross-Margining Participants. Each Clearing Organization shall cooperate fully in exchanging all necessary data, records, computer files and other information, and in executing documents and taking other action necessary or appropriate to effect transfers, releases, etc. in order to effect termination of the Cross-Margining Arrangement as to the terminating parties. In the event that a liquidation of a Cross-Margining Participant is pending on, or was completed prior to, the termination date, the provisions of this Agreement pertaining to such liquidation shall survive the termination until such liquidation has been completed and any payment due under the Guaranty due from one Clearing Organization to the other in respect of such liquidation has been paid.
- (g) (e) AllSurvival of Obligations. The obligations of the Clearing Organizations arising under Sections 8, 9 and 10, 12 and 17 of this Agreement prior to the termination thereof that remain unsatisfied shall survive the termination of this Agreement, including any rights of subrogation under Sections 8A and 8B of this Agreement. In addition, the provisions of Section 9 shall survive the termination of this Agreement to the extent that they apply to Confidential Information received by a Clearing Organization prior to the termination of this Agreement and the provisions of Section 10 shall survive the termination of this Agreement to the extent that the event giving rise to an obligation of indemnification occurs prior to shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

<u>16.</u> <u>14. Information Sharing.</u>

- (a) (a) FICC and CMEThe Clearing Organizations hereby agree to provide one another with the following information regarding their respective Cross-Margining Participants:

 - (ii) If either Clearing Organization requires more frequent reporting of financial information by a particular Cross-Margining

Participant, that Clearing Organization will promptly informshall notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the period of reporting.

- (iii) If either Clearing Organization increases the capital requirement for a particular organization will promptlyshall notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact, the amount of the additional capital required and the deadline for meeting the requirement.
- (iv) (iv) If either Clearing Organization imposes higher Marginadditional margin requirements with respect to a particular Cross—Margining Participant, or issues a special intra—day call for Margin or settlement variation—in respect of any account of a Cross—Margining Participant, that Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact and the amount of the additional Marginmargin required.
- (v) Each Clearing Organization shall, upon request by the other Clearing Organization, promptly—furnish to such other Clearing Organization the following information with respect to each account carried by <a href="mailto:athecolor: mailto:athecolor: mailto:athe
- (vi) Each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of any disciplinary action (other than an appeal from an administrative fine) taken by its governing board, or committee or subcommittee thereof, against a Cross—Margining Participant involving material—non—compliance with financial or financial reporting requirements, or material violation of its the Rules.
- (vii) Each Clearing Organization shall promptly notify the other Clearing Organization in the event that the notifying Clearing Organization learns of any major processing difficulties (including, but not limited to, back-coffice or bank computer problems) or any major operational errors of a Cross-Margining Participant.
- (viii) Each Clearing Organization agrees to promptly shall notify each the other Clearing Organization in the event that a Cross-Margining Participant defaults materially in any settlement obligation.

(ix) If either Clearing Organization suspends, terminates, ceases to act for, or liquidates any Clearing Member, that Clearing Organization will promptly notify the other Clearing Organization of that fact.

(iv), (vii), or (viii) above, the Clearing Organization giving such notice shall also notify the recipient other Clearing Organization when the condition giving rise to such notice is terminated. (b) FICC agrees The Clearing Organizations hereby agree to inform CME, and CME agrees to inform FICC, as requested, of the total size of or a material change in one another, upon request, of the total size of, and aggregate amount of required contributions to, such Clearing Organization's clearing or guaranty fund's Clearing Fund or Guaranty Fund, as applicable.

(b) (e)—Any notice required to be given pursuant to this Section 1416 shall be given by facsimile, telephone, or e-electronic mail promptly upon the occurrence of the event giving rise to the requirement of notification. Any, and any such notice given by telephone or e-mail shall be promptly confirmed in writing. Notices shall be deemed given when received. Each such notice shall be directed as follows:

If to FICC: famended February 28, 2011; further amended February 3, 2016]

Mr. Murray Pozmanter
Managing Director, Head of Clearing Agency Services

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

570 Washington Blvd.

Jersey City, New Jersey 07310

<u>Attention: Group Chief Risk Officer</u> Telephone:— (212)—855-7522

Fax: (212) 855-4163

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E-mail: mpozmanter@dtcc.com

and

Ms. Nikki Poulos

Managing Director and FICC <u>FICCProductRisk@DTCC.com</u> and to:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

570 Washington Blvd.

Jersey City, New Jersey 07310

Attention: General Counsel

Telephone: (212) 855-7633

Fax: (201) 533-6632, General Counsel's Office

E-mail: npoulos@dtcc.com with a copy to GCOcontractnotices

gcocontractnotices@dtcc.com

and

Mr. Joe Brennan

Managing Director, Global Operations & Client Services

 Telephone:
 (212) 855-7695

 Fax:
 (212) 855-7599

 E-mail:
 jbrennan@dtcc.com

If to CME: famended March 11, 2016

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: 4312 -648-3888

Fax No.: (312) 930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

With a copyand to:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attn<u>Attention</u>: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: <u>legalnotices@cmegroup.com</u> <u>legalnotices@cmegroup.com</u>

Either Clearing Organization may amend or supplement the notice information set forth above by providing notice in writing given by facsimile or hand delivery to the other Clearing Organization. Such notice shall be effective upon receipt. In case of the absence or unavailability of any officer named above, telephone calls shall be directed to another individual who has been designated in writing by the Clearing Organizations as authorized to receive such telephone calls. Prior to the Effective Date of this Agreement, each Clearing Organization shall provide the other with the name and telephone number of any other individual designated by such Clearing Organization pursuant to the preceding sentence.

(c) (d)—In the event that notificationnotice is given by neither Clearing Organization pursuant to this Section, 16, such Clearing Organization shall furnish to the other Clearing Organization upon request such additional information or documents relating to the circumstances leading to the notificationnotice as may reasonably be requested by it. Notices shall be deemed given when received the Clearing Organization receiving the notice.

17. Liability.

(a) TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMISSIBLE UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (b), NEITHER PARTY HERETO SHALL BE LIABLE TO ANY OTHER HEREUNDER FOR ANY INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, OR FOR LOSS OF PROFITS, GOODWILL OR CONTRACTS, OR FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF SUBSTITUTE GOODS OR SERVICES, WHETHER ARISING

FROM NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE, AND WHETHER OR NOT ANY PARTY HERETO SHALL HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF OR OTHERWISE MIGHT HAVE ANTICIPATED THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the limitations set forth in this Section 17 will not apply to a Clearing Organization's breach of its obligations under Section 10.

18. deneral Provisions.

- (a) Further Assurances. Each party Party agrees, without additional consideration, to execute and deliver such instruments and take such other actions as shall be reasonably required or as shall be reasonably requested by the other party in order to carry out the transactions, agreements and covenants contemplated by this Agreement.
- (b) Amendment, Modification and Waiver. Unless otherwise Except as expressly (b) provided for herein, this Agreement, including the main body of this Agreement and all exhibits hereto, may be permanently modified, amended or supplemented only by mutual written agreement of the parties. A party supplemented or otherwise amended only by an instrument in writing signed on behalf of a duly authorized representative of each Party and in compliance with all applicable laws. A Party may temporarily waive or modify any condition intended to be for its benefit provided such waiver shall be in writing signed by the party or parties Party to be charged. Any delay or The failure of a party hereto at any time to require performance by the other party of any provision of this Agreement shall in no way affect the right of such party to require future performance of that or any other provision of this Agreement and shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of any provision, a waiver of this provision itself or a waiver of any other right under this Agreement. Either party hereto may amend Appendix A with respect to itself only upon written notice to the other party hereto. The parties shall inform their respective Cross-Margining Participants of any amendments or modifications made to this AgreementParty to exercise or enforce any right conferred upon it by this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any such right or operate so as to bar the exercise or enforcement thereof at any time or times thereafter. No waiver by either Party hereunder shall be effective unless agreed to pursuant to a writing signed by an authorized representative of each Party.
- (c) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws (without regard to principles of conflicts of laws) Governing Law. The validity and effectiveness of this Agreement shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of New York-, without giving effect to the provisions, policies or principles of any state law relating to choice or conflict of laws. Subject to Paragraph (n), any legal action or proceeding with respect to this Agreement may be brought exclusively in the federal or state courts located in New York, New York, including the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and the Parties hereby (i) irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts, and (ii) irrevocably waive, and agree not to assert by way of motion, defense or otherwise, in any such action, any claim that it is not subject personally to the jurisdiction of the above-named courts, that its property is exempt or immune from attachment or execution, that the action is brought in an inconvenient forum, that the venue of the action is improper, or that this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this

Agreement may not be enforced in or by any of the above-named courts. Service of process shall be in any manner allowed by applicable law.

(d) Notices. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreementherein, all notices to be given by any party under this and other communications pertaining to the Agreement shall: (i) will be in writing and shall be given by facsimile, hand delivery; (ii) shall be delivered by certified or registered mail via the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, by hand, by any nationally recognized courier delivery service, or by confirmed telecopy, to the other parties at the following addresses (or such other addresses as any party may furnish to the others in writing for such purpose) private courier (e.g., Federal Express, UPS, DHL) or via electronic mail; (iii) shall be effective (A) if mailed via certified or registered mail, on the date five (5) calendar days after the date of mailing, or (B) if sent via electronic mail, hand delivered or delivered by private courier, on the date of delivery; and (iv) shall be addressed as follows:

[amended February 2, 2016]

If to FICC:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099

570 Washington Blvd.

Jersey City, New Jersey 07310

Attention: Head of Clearing Agency Services Group Chief Risk Officer

Fax No.: 212-855-4163

Copy to: Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099

Attention: FICC General Counsel

Fax No.: 201-533-6632

Copy to: Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

55 Water Street

New York, NY 10041-0099

Attn.: Managing Director, Global Operations & Client Services

Fax No.: 212-855-7599

Telephone: 212-855-3450

E-mail: FICCProductRisk@DTCC.com

famended March 11, 2016]

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

570 Washington Blvd.

Jersey City, New Jersey 07310

Attention: General Counsel, General Counsel's Office

E-mail: gcocontractnotices@dtcc.com

If to CME:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. 20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 Attention: President, CME Clearing

Chief Risk Officer, CME Clearing

Telephone: 312-648-3888 Fax No.: 312-930-3187

E-mail: ClearingHouseRiskTeam@cmegroup.com

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Copy to: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

20 S. Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

Attention: General Counsel, Legal Department

E-mail: legalnotices@cmegroup.com

All notices given pursuant to this Agreement shall be effective upon receipt.or to such other address or addresses as may hereafter be specified by written notice given by one Party to the other.

- (e) Assignment. This Agreement and all of the provisions hereof shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, but Assignment. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, neither Party shall assign or otherwise transfer this Agreement nor, or any of theits rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by either party heretounder this Agreement, without the prior written consent of the other party, nor is this Agreement intended to confer any rights or remedies upon any person except the parties heretoapproval of the other Party, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned. Any purported assignment or transfer in violation of this Paragraph (e) shall be void.
- (f) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in <u>one or more</u> counterparts, each of which <u>when so executed and delivered</u> shall be deemed an original, <u>but</u> and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. A complete set of counterparts shall be <u>lodged with each Party.</u>
- (g) <u>Headings</u>. The section and paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are solely for the purpose of reference, are not part of the agreement of the parties and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. <u>Headings</u>. <u>References to sections</u>, paragraphs and exhibits are to sections, paragraphs and exhibits of and to this Agreement, unless otherwise indicated. Section headings are inserted for convenience of reference only

and shall not affect the construction of this Agreement. The singular number shall include the plural, and vice versa. Any use of the word "including" will be interpreted to mean "including, but not limited to," unless otherwise indicated. References to any Person (including the Parties and any other entities referred to) shall be construed to mean such Person and its successors in interest and permitted assigns, as applicable.

- (h) Entire Agreement. Except as set forth expressly herein or in another instrument in writing signed by the party to be bound thereby which makes reference to this Agreement, this Agreement, including the exhibits hereto, embodies Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with all exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of between the parties hereto in Parties with respect of the subject matter contained herein, and no other restrictions, promises, representations, warranties, covenants, or undertakings in relation thereto exist among the parties. This Agreement hereof and supersedes all prior representations, agreements, negotiations and understandings discussions between the parties Parties with respect to such the subject matter, hereof. This Agreement may be accepted in electronic form (e.g., by an electronic or digital signature).
- (i) Invalid Provision. In the event that any Each provision, or any portion of any provision, of this Agreement shall be considered separable; and if, for any reason be held, any provision of this Agreement is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegalunlawful, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, or any other portion of any provision, of this Agreement, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement or the validity, lawfulness, or enforceability of such provision had never been contained herein in any other jurisdiction.
- (j) Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective on the date stated in the first paragraph of this Agreement unless otherwise mutually agreed to by FICC and CME. The Effective Date shall be not earlier than later of (i) the date agreed by the parties and (ii) the date on which all necessary regulatory approvals of this Agreement have been received by FICC and CME. (the "Effective Date").
- (k) Force Majeure. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no party hereto shall be liable for any failure to perform or delay in performing its obligations hereunder if such failure or delay is caused by fire, strike, power failure, riot or other civil commotion, acts of nature, acts of federal, state or municipal public authorities, governmentally ordered business or banking moratoria or orders to refrain from using power (whether or not such moratoria or orders are legally authorized), or any other condition or event beyond the reasonable control of the party whose performance is prevented or delayed. Each party agrees to notify the other promptly upon learning that any such condition or event has occurred and shall cooperate with the other, upon request, in arranging alternative procedures and in otherwise taking reasonable steps to mitigate the effects of any inability to perform or any delay in performing.

- (a) Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, as it may be amended or modified from time to time, including any claim or controversy arising out of or relating to the alleged breach, termination or invalidity thereof and any claim based on federal or state statute, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the then current Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (the "AAA") to the extent that such Rules do not conflict with any provisions of this section. The parties do not, however, appoint the AAA as administrator of the arbitration.
- (b) The arbitration shall be held at a mutually agreed place or at the offices of AAA in New York City if no agreement is reached. It shall be held before a panel of three arbitrators: one appointed by each Clearing Organization and one neutral arbitrator to be appointed by agreement of the party-appointed arbitrators. The neutral arbitrator shall be an attorney with not less than an aggregate of 12 years of experience in legal practice, legal teaching or adjudication. The neutral arbitrator shall act as chairman.
- (c) A party (the "Claimant") may initiate arbitration under this Agreement by sending to the other party or parties ("Respondents"), by overnight courier, a written demand for arbitration containing a description in reasonable detail of (i) the nature of the claim, dispute or controversy it desires to arbitrate, and (ii) the remedy or remedies sought including Claimant's best current information as to the amount of money, if any, sought to be recovered. The arbitration shall be deemed commenced on the date Respondent receives the demand (the "Commencement Date").
- (d) Within seven days after the Commencement Date, Respondent may send to Claimant any written responsive statement to the demand it wishes. Within that time period, Respondent shall send to Claimant or Claimant's counsel, by overnight courier, return receipt requested, a written demand for arbitration of any claims Respondent then wishes to arbitrate against Claimant, containing the same information as in an initial demand.
- (e) Claimants and Respondents may freely amend, restate, clarify or supplement their claims in writing until a reasonable time, not less than 21 days, prior to the first arbitration hearing, except that no wholly new claim may be submitted after selection of the arbitrators without the arbitrators' consent.
- (f) Any award, order or judgment pursuant to such arbitration shall be deemed final and may be entered and enforced in any state or federal court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of New York. Each party agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of any such court for purposes of the enforcement of any such award, order or judgment.
- (g) Any award of damages pursuant to such arbitration shall be included in a written decision which shall state the reasons upon which the award was based, including all the elements involved in the calculation of any award of damages.
- (h) Any arbitration proceeding hereunder shall be conducted on a confidential basis.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each party shall have the right to apply to any court of competent jurisdiction for temporary injunctive or other preliminary relief.

- (j) (1) There shall be no pre-hearing written interrogatories, written requests for admission, or discovery depositions. The arbitrator may require the parties to respond to limited and reasonable requests for production of documents from the opposing party.
- (2) In considering the extent of pre-hearing document discovery to be permitted, the arbitrators shall consider that reduced time, expense and burden are principal reasons the parties have chosen to resolve their disputes through arbitration rather than court proceedings, and shall require pre-hearing document production only where necessary to avoid injustice. The arbitrator shall require that a party requesting pre-hearing production of documents shall reimburse the producing party for the costs of copying and for the time and fees of the producing party's employees and attorneys in locating, reviewing, organizing and copying requested documents.
- (3) With the approval of the arbitrators, evidence depositions may be taken of witnesses who cannot be subpoenaed to testify at the hearing. The arbitrator may require advance disclosure by the parties of evidence to be offered at the hearing in order to avoid unfair surprise.
- (k) No arbitration arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall include, by consolidation, joinder or in any other manner, any additional person not a party to this Agreement except by written consent containing a specific reference to this Agreement and signed by the Clearing Organizations. Any such written consent to arbitration involving an additional person or persons shall not constitute consent to arbitration of any dispute not described therein or with any person not named or described therein.
- (k) Force Majeure. If the performance of this Agreement by either Party (other than the payment of any amounts due hereunder) is prevented, hindered, delayed or otherwise made impracticable by reason of any cause beyond a Party's reasonable control, including any flood, epidemic, pandemic, riot, fire, judicial or governmental action, labor dispute, failure or degradation of any third party system or service, or act of war or terrorism (each, a "Force Majeure Event"), that party shall be excused from such performance to the extent, including for the duration of time, that it is prevented, hindered or delayed by such Force Majeure Event. In the event a Party becomes aware of a Force Majeure Event that will affect its performance under this Agreement, it shall so notify the other Party as soon as reasonably practicable. The Parties shall thereafter work together to take reasonable steps to mitigate the effects of any inability to perform or any delay in performance, if practicable.
- (l) Remedies Not Exclusive. No remedy conferred by any provision of this Agreement is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, except as expressly provided in this Agreement, and each and every remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing in law or in equity or by statute or otherwise.
- (m) No Third-Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement is binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the Parties and their respective administrators, legal representatives, successors, and permitted assigns. The Parties agree that no provision of this Agreement is intended, expressly or by implication, to purport to confer a benefit or right of action upon a third party (whether or not in existence, and whether or not named, as of the date hereof),

other than Persons entitled to indemnification pursuant to Section 12, who are third party beneficiaries of Section 12 (and no other provisions) of this Agreement.

(n) Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT.

[Remainder of page intentionally left blank. Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered as of the date first above written.

Print Name: By: By: Print Name: Print Name: Print Name:

Title:

EXHIBIT A

CME ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

| <u>CBT</u> | 26 | 2-year T-Note Futures |
|------------|-----|------------------------------------|
| <u>CBT</u> | 3YR | 3-year T-Note Futures |
| <u>CBT</u> | 25 | 5-Year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | 21 | 10-Year T-Note Futures |
| CBT | 17 | U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| <u>CBT</u> | TN | Ultra Ten-Year T-Note Futures |
| <u>CBT</u> | UBE | Ultra U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| <u>CBT</u> | TWE | 20-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures |
| <u>CBT</u> | 41 | 30-Day Federal Funds Futures |
| <u>CME</u> | ED | Eurodollar Futures |
| <u>CME</u> | EM | 1-Month Eurodollar Futures |
| <u>CME</u> | SR1 | One-Month SOFR Futures |
| CME | SR3 | Three-Month SOFR Futures |

EXHIBIT B

FICC ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

<u>"U.S. Treasury securities" which for purposes of this Exhibit B refers to Treasury notes and bonds.</u>

APPENDIX A—[amended June 2014]

Cross-Margining or Other Loss Sharing Arrangements of CME:

| Agreement | With or Without Priority Over this Agreement After Guaranty Payment is Made |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CME/OCC/NYCC Cross-Margining Agreement dated June 7, 1993. | With priority. |

Cross-Margining or Other Loss Sharing Arrangements of FICC:

| Agreement | With or Without Priority Over this Agreement After Guaranty Payment is Made |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DTC/FICC/NSCC/OCC Multilateral Netting Contract and Limited Cross Guaranty Agreement dated January 1, 2003. | With priority. |
| Portfolio margining arrangement between the FICC Government Securities Division and the FICC Mortgage Backed Securities Division (upon SEC approval) | With priority. |

APPENDIX B

Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CME Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products

The methodology for the conversion of Eurodollar Futures into Treasury Equivalents (TE) is described in Appendix C1.

Eurodollar TE Offset Classes 1-10 contain "conforming strips" associated with Rolling Years 1-10, respectively. "Conforming strips" are defined in Appendix C. Eurodollar Offset Classes 11-20 contain "non-conforming" strips associated with Rolling Years 1-10, respectively. Treasury Cash Offset Classes A-G and AA-GG are defined below.

| Read ED Offset Class Down | A/AA | B/BB | C/CC | D/DD | E/EE | F/FF | G/GG |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 4 | 65.0% | 45.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| 2 | 65.0% | 40.0% | 25.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 40.0% | 100.0% |
| 3 | 100.0% | 4 0.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% | 40.0% |
| 4 | 100.0% | 4 0.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 40.0% |
| 5 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 6 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 7 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 40.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 35.0% |
| 8 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 40.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% |
| 9 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 4 5.0% | 4 0.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% | 30.0% |
| 10 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 4 5.0% | 40.0% | 35.0% | 30.0% |
| 44 | 70.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| 12 | 70.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% |
| 13 | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 14 | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 15 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 16 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 17 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 18 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 19 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |
| 20 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% | 60.0% |

Example of Disallowance Factor Schedule Applicable to CBOT Eligible Products and FICC Eligible Products

The methodology for the conversion of CBOT Futures into Treasury Equivalents (TE) is described in Appendix C2.

| | A/AA | B/BB | C/CC | D/DD | E/EE | F/FF | G/GG | e/ee | f/ff |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| TU | 100% | 100% | 25% | 30% | 35% | 40% | 100% | 35% | 40% |
| FV | 100% | 100% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 40% | 25% | 30% |
| TY | 100% | 100% | 40% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 25% | 25% |
| US | 100% | 100% | 100% | 40% | 35% | 30% | 25% | 35% | 30% |
| ĐZ | 100% | 100% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 40% | 25% | 30% |
| ĐQ | 100% | 100% | 40% | 30% | 25% | 25% | 30% | 25% | 25% |

CME Eligible Products by Offset Class Margin Rate Mappings

| CME Offset Classes | Description of Product | FICC Offset Classes For Margin Rate Comparison |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 1 Year | B/BB |
| 2 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 2 Years | C/CC |
| 3 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 3 Years | D/DD |
| 4 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 4 Years | D/DD |
| 5 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 5 Years | E/EE |
| 6 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 6 Years | E/EE |
| 7 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 7 Years | E/EE |
| 8 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 8 Years | F/FF |
| 9 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 9 Years | F/FF |
| 10 | Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 10 Years | F/FF |
| 11 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 1 Year | B/BB |
| 12 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 2 Years | C/CC |
| 13 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 3 Years | D/DD |
| 14 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 4 Years | D/DD |
| 15 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 5 Years | E/EE |
| 16 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip - 6 Years | E/EE |
| 17 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip - 7 Years | E/EE |
| 18 | Non - Conforming Euro Dollar Strip - 8 Years | F/FF |
| 19 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 9 Years | F/FF |
| 20 | Non Conforming Euro Dollar Strip 10 Years | F/FF |

CBOT Eligible Products*

*The delivery months for CBOT's futures are: March, June, September, and December.

-----Treasuries

| "Two Year" | Offset Class TU: Two Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "Five Year" | Offset Class FV: Five Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
| "Ten Year" | Offset Class TY: Ten Year U.S. Treasury Note Futures contract and options thereon. |
| "U.S. Bond" | Offset Class US: Thirty Year U.S. Treasury Bond Futures contract and options thereon. |

----Agencies

| | Offset Class DZ: |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| "Five Year Agency" | Five Year Agency Note |
| | Futures contracts that are Non- |
| | callable Fannie Mae |
| | Benchmark Notes or Freddie |
| | Mac Reference Notes |
| | |
| | Offset Class DQ: |
| "Ten Year Agency" | Ten Year Agency Note Futures |
| | contracts that are Non-callable |
| | Fannie Mae Benchmark Notes |
| | or Freddie Mac Reference |
| | Notes |

FICC Eligible Products that are Treasuries -- by Offset Class

| FICC Offset Classes* | Description of Product | CME Offset Classes For Margin Rate Comparison |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| A | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 1 day to 6 months +15 days. | N/A |
| AA | FICC GCF Repo® products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class A | |
| ₿ | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 6 months + 16 days to 1 year + 15 days. | 1, 11 |
| BB | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class B | |
| € | FICC netting eligible Treasury securities with Remaining Maturity of: 1 year + 16 days to 2 years + 15 days. | 2, 12 |
| CC | FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class C | |

| | FICC netting eligible | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Đ | | 2 / 12 1/ |
| Ð | Treasury securities with | 3, 4, 13, 14 |
| | Remaining Maturity of: 2 | |
| | years + 16 days to 4 | |
| | years + 15 days. | |
| DD | FIGG GGE P | |
| DD | FICC GCF Repo | |
| | products of the same | |
| | Remaining Maturity as | |
| | Offset Class D | |
| | FICC netting eligible | |
| E | Treasury securities with | 5, 6, 7, 15, 16, 17 |
| | Remaining Maturity of: 4 | |
| | years + 16 days to 7 | |
| | years + 15 days. | |
| | | |
| EE | FICC GCF Repo | |
| | products of the same | |
| | Remaining Maturity as | |
| | Offset Class E | |
| | FICC netting eligible | |
| F | Treasury securities with | 8,9,10,18,19,20 |
| | Remaining Maturity of: 7 | |
| | years + 16 days to 15 | |
| | years + 15 days. | |
| | | |
| FF | FICC GCF Repo | |
| | products of the same | |
| | Remaining Maturity as | |
| | Offset Class F | |
| | FICC netting eligible | |
| Θ | Treasury securities with | |
| 9 | Remaining Maturity of: | N/A |
| | 15 years + 16 days or | I WII |
| | | |
| | greater | |
| GG | FICC GCF Repo | |
| 99 | * | |
| | products of the same | |
| | Remaining Maturity as | |
| | Offset Class G | |

^{*}Each FICC Offset Class includes residual positions in the corresponding products that may result from cash (buy-sell) trades, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, when issued trading and auction awards. The residual positions may consist of current-day and/or forward settling trades. Products that may fall within the above remaining-maturity ranges but are nonetheless excluded from cross-margining with CME pursuant to this Agreement are STRIPS.

FICC Eligible Products that are Agencies -- by Offset Class

| FICC Offset Classes* | Description of Product |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "Five Year Agency" | Offset Class e: FICC netting eligible securities (Agency Notes) with Remaining Maturity of: 4 years + 16 days to 5 years + 15 days. |
| | Offset Class ee: FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class e |
| "Ten Year Agency" | Offset Class f: FICC netting eligible securities (Agency Notes and Bonds) with Remaining Maturity of: 7 years +16 days to 10 years + 15 days. |
| | Offset Class ff: FICC GCF Repo products of the same Remaining Maturity as Offset Class f |

^{*}Each FICC Offset Class includes residual positions in the corresponding products that may result from eash (buy-sell) trades, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, when-issued trading and auction awards. The residual positions may consist of current-day and/or forward settling trades. Products that may fall within the above remaining maturity ranges but are nonetheless excluded from cross-margining with CME pursuant to this Agreement are STRIPS.

APPENDIX C1

CME CALCULATION PROCESS TO CONVERT EURODOLLAR FUTURES AND OPTIONS INTO TREASURY CASH EQUIVALENTS AND TO DETERMINE THE APPLICABLE CME OFFSET CLASSES

- t. CME shall convert all futures and options positions to delta equivalents. The delta equivalent position of a futures contract position is the number of contracts in that position. CME shall convert all options to delta equivalents using each option's SPAN delta. The delta equivalent of an options position is obtained by multiplying the number of contracts underlying the options positions by the SPAN delta value of that options position. The SPAN delta value is a probability weighted delta value. The SPAN delta value used in the calculation process of this Appendix shall be calculated in the same manner that CME uses in CME's internal spreading processes.
- 2. CME shall net the delta equivalents such that the net delta equivalents of each quarterly contract expiration are all on the same side of the market, i.e., all long or all short. CME will combine delta equivalents into composite strips. CME shall then calculate the Figure-of-Merit of each strip. A Conforming Strip shall be a strip whose Figure-of-Merit is greater than or equal to the Critical Value. A Non-Conforming Strip shall be a strip whose Figure of Merit is less than the Critical Value. The Rolling Year (RY) of the strip is the rolling year of the most long-dated contract in the strip. Rolling years range from 1 to 10.
- 3. The Critical Value is an amount to be agreed upon by both parties. As market conditions warrant, the Critical Value may be changed from time to time by mutual consent of CME and FICC.
- 4. The Figure-of-Merit is:

FOM=
$$[2/[N(D+1)]] \times \sum_{i=1}^{D} n_i q_i$$

where FOM is the Figure of Merit, N is the total number of delta equivalents in the strip, D is the depth of the strip, n is the number of delta equivalents in the ith expiry month, and q is the serial number of the ith expiry quarter (q ranges from 1 to a maximum of 40). The depth of a strip is the serial number of the expiry quarter of the most deferred contract in the strip. The Treasury Equivalent (TE) of the ith long strip is:

$$TE_{i} = (\$1,000,000 \times 0.25 \times N)/RY_{i}$$

Example of Figure-of-Merit Calculations

Summary:

| Quantity | Strip 1 | Strip 2 |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| TE, Treasury Equivalent | \$10MM 2-Year | \$10MM 2-Year |
| N, Number of Delta Equivalents | 80 | 80 |
| D, Depth | 8 | 8 |
| FOM | .99 | .49 |
| Status (assuming a .90 eritical value) | Conforming | Non-Conforming |
| Offset Class | 2 | 12 |

Details:

| Expiry | Quarter Serial No. | Contents | Net Delta Eqv. | Delta X Quarter |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------|
| DEC 00 | 4 | 20 DEC 00 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| MAR 01 | 2 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 01 | 3 | Futures: 5 JUN 01 Options: 11 JUN 01, (DELTA= .5), 4 JUN01 (DELTA=.25) | 11.5 | 34.5 |
| SEP 01 | 4 | 10 SEP 01 | 10.0 | 40.0 |
| DEC 01 | 5 | Futures: 8 DEC 01 Options: 1 DEC 01, (DELTA= .5) | 8.5 | 42.5 |
| MAR 02 | 6 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 02 | 7 | 20 JUN 02 | 20.0 | 140.0 |
| SEP 02 | 8 | 10 SEP 02 | <u>10.0</u> | <u>80.0</u> |
| | | TOTAL | 80.0 | 357.0 |

 $FOM = [(8+1) \times 2/(80)] \times 357.0 = 0.992$

Example of Figure-of-Merit Calculations

Summary:

| Quantity | Strip 1 | Strip 2 | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| TE, Treasury Equivalent | \$10MM 2-Year | \$10MM 2-Year | |
| N, Number of Delta Equivalents | 80 | 80 | |
| D, Depth | 8 | 8 | |
| FOM | .99 | .49 | |
| Status | Conforming | Non-Conforming | |
| Offset Class | 2 | 12 | |

Details:

| Expiry | Quarter Serial No. | Contents | Net Delta Eqv. | Delta X Quarter |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------|
| DEC-00 | 1 | 4 0 DEC 00 | 40 | 40.0 |
| MAR 01 | 2 | 20 MAR 01 | 20 | 40.0 |
| JUN 01 | 3 | 10 JUN 01 | 10 | 30.0 |
| SEP 01 | 4 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| DEC-01 | 5 | 5 DEC 01 | 5 | 25.0 |
| MAR 02 | 6 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| JUN 02 | 7 | | 0 | 0.0 |
| SEP 02 | 8 | 5 SEP 02 | 5 | 40.0 |
| | | TOTAL | 80.0 | 175.0 |

 $FOM = [(8+1) \times 2/(80)] \times 175.0 = 0.486$

APPENDIX C2

Conversion of Futures Contracts to Treasury Equivalents

CME and FICC shall consider cross margining certain futures contracts and options on those futures contracts against certain offsetting cash Treasury products. Contract eligibility is specified in Appendix B. To facilitate cross margining with FICC, CME shall convert CME's residual futures and options positions to Treasury Equivalents according to the methods described in this Appendix. Each residual position may consist of one and only one eligible futures contract type and options on that futures contract type. For purposes of this Agreement, futures contracts of a certain type have the same specifications for deliverable instruments, quantity, and exchange, but may vary in their specified delivery months.

The Treasury Equivalent (TE) of a residual futures and/or options position shall be computed according to the following formula:

where

$TE = TNCE \times NSC \times S \times C$

TNCE - Total number of contract equivalents.

NSC = The contract size of the underlying futures contract type, in US dollars.

S = Settlement price of the underlying futures contract, expressed as a decimal.

C = Conversion factor.

To determine the TNCE, CME shall use CME's standard and customary procedures for netting and for converting options into delta equivalents. Delta equivalents with respect to futures contracts shall be equal to the number of contracts. Delta equivalents with respect to options contracts shall be equal to the product of the option delta and the number of underlying contracts. The contract size, as specified by CME, shall be the standard contract size. The settlement price shall be the settlement price of the futures contract expiring in the nearest active delivery month. The conversion factor used upon the implementation of the cross-margining program shall be one (1). From time to time, CME and FICC may change the conversion factor by mutual agreement.

APPENDIX D

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION / CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (COMMON MEMBER) (referred to as the "agreement")

The undersigned ("Member") is a Government Securities Division netting member ("GSD") Netting Member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") and a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. Member hereby elects to become a Cross—Margining Participant infor purposes of the Cross—Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME.—and the Rules. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Member agrees to be bound by the <u>FICCGSD</u> Rules and the CME Rules applicable to <u>Netting Members</u>, Clearing Members and Cross—Margining Participants and by the provisions of the Cross—Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross—Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of FICC shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of FICC as set forth in FICC's Rules and in the Cross-Margining Agreement, and Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of CME shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of CME as set forth in CME's Rules and in the Cross-Margining Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that each of FICC and CME has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under the New York Uniform Commercial Code. Member unconditionally promises immediate payment of any Reimbursement Obligation or Maximization payment or reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) to a Clearing Organization as set forth inarising under the Cross-Margining Agreement or the Rules in respect of the Cross-Margining Accounts. Member further agrees that, if a Clearing Organization has declared a Default Event with respect to Member, then the other Clearing Organization may declare the Member to be in defaultexercise any rights under its Rules (such default to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of Member (such actions also shall be considered a "Default Event").

Member hereby pledges, as security for its present and future payment and reimbursement obligations to FICC and CME arising from Member's Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligations), and grants to each Clearing Organization a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of either Clearing Organization including any and all Net Gains (and, in the case of FICC, all Actual Deposits) in respect of the Member's Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, the "Collateral"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Member agrees that (i) the rights of each Clearing Organization set forth in the preceding sentence are in addition to any other rights arising out of the New York Uniform Commercial Code or other

statute, common law, or governmental regulation, or under their respective Rules, (ii) Member will execute, deliver, file and record any financing statement, specific assignment or other document and take any other action necessary or desirable and reasonably requested by FICC or CME to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest or lien granted in this paragraph, to enable such Clearing Organization to exercise or enforce its rights under this agreement, and (iii) Member will promptly give notice to the Clearing Organizations of, and defend against, any suit, action, proceeding or lien that involves or could adversely affect the security interest and lien granted by Member in this agreement.

Member agrees that Clearing Data (as hereinafter defined) regarding the Member may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. "Clearing Data" means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to Member that the calculation of the Cross-MarginingMargin Reduction pursuant to the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Cross-MarginingMargin Reduction.

Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; and (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of self-regulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected; (vii) it has the power to grant, and has granted, to each Clearing Organization a first priority continuing security interest in and lien on the Collateral and has taken all necessary actions to authorize the granting of such security interest and lien; (viii) it is the sole owner of or otherwise has the right to transfer all Collateral transferred to each Clearing Organization pursuant to this agreement, the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules, free and clear of any security interest, lien, encumbrance or other restrictions (other than any security interest or lien granted or created pursuant to this agreement or any other agreement entered into in connection with the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules); and (ix) all transactions and positions in Member's Cross-Margining Accounts will be solely for Member's own account and/or for the account of Non-Customers. The term "Non-Customer" means any person that is an officer, director, partner or other related person of the Member (x) that is not a "customer" within the meaning of Rules 8c-1 or 15c2-1 promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act and (y) whose account on the records of the Member is a "proprietary account" within the meaning of Rule 1.3 promulgated by the CFTC under the CEA. The representations and warranties in this paragraph shall be effective as

of the date of this agreement and the date of each transaction or transfer relating to this agreement or the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Without limiting any provision of FICC'sthe GSD Rules, the CME's Rules or any other agreement between Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the Member of any rights it may have in the Aggregate Net Surplus Gain (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all Reimbursement Obligations and Maximization and reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligations) under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. This Agreement Member shall be bound by the current terms of this agreement as well as any amended terms of which it has received notice. This agreement may be terminated by the Member upon two Business Days' written notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME; provided, however, notwithstanding any such termination, this agreement shall remain effective unless and until Member satisfies its Standalone Margin Requirement at each Clearing Organization. Either FICC or CME may amend or terminate this agreement immediately upon notice to the Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the Member's obligations under this Agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement agreement.

This Agreement agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

| Member | |
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| Name of Member: | |
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| By: | : |
| Print Name: | |
| Title: | |

| Accepted By: | | |
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| Fixed Income_ Clearing Corporation | | |
| By: | C | |
| Print Name: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |
| Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. | | |
| By: | | |
| Print Name: | | |
| Title: | | |
| Date: | | |
| | | |

This Agreement agreement is dated as of ______.__.

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[To be filled in upon acceptance of <u>FICCCME</u> and <u>CME.FICC</u>]

APPENDIX EB

FIXED INCOME CLEARING CORPORATION / CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE INC. CROSS-MARGINING PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (AFFILIATED MEMBERS) (referred to as the "agreement")

The undersigned ""FICC Member" is a Government Securities Division netting member ("GSD") Netting Member of Fixed Income Clearing Corporation (""FICC""). The undersigned ""CME Member" is a clearing member of Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"). "CME"). The FICC Member and CME Member are each referred to herein as a "Member" and together as the "Members." The term "Clearing Organization" means either FICC or CME. FICC Member hereby elects to become a Cross—Margining Participant of FICC, and CME Member hereby elects to become a Cross—Margining Participant of CME, for purposes of the Cross—Margining Arrangement between FICC and CME—and the Rules. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross—Margining Agreement.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, FICC Member agrees to be bound by the FICCGSD Rules applicable to Netting Members, Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; CME Member agrees to be bound by the CME Rules applicable to Clearing Members and Cross-Margining Participants; and FICC Member and CME Member both agree to be bound by the provisions of the Cross-Margining Agreement between FICC and CME (the "Cross-Margining Agreement"), as any of the foregoing may be in effect from time to time.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of FICC shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of FICC as set forth in the FICC Rules and the Cross-Margining Agreement, and CME Member agrees that all of its positions, margin deposits and other property in the possession or subject to the control of CME shall be subject to the security interest and right of setoff of CME as set forth in CME's Rules and the Cross-Margining Agreement. each Member unconditionally promises immediate payment of any of its and its Affiliate's payment or reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligation) to a Clearing Organization arising under the Cross-Margining Agreement or the Rules in respect of the Cross-Margining Accounts. Each Member further agrees to be jointly and severally liable to the Clearing Organizations for any margin, settlement or other obligation arising from transactions or positions in the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts. The Members further agree that, if a Clearing Organization has declared a Default Event with respect to one Member, then the other Clearing Organization may exercise any rights under its Rules to terminate, suspend or otherwise cease to act for or limit the activities of the other Member (such actions also shall be considered a "Default Event").

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, FICC Member and CME Member agree that each of FICC and CME has a security interest in the Aggregate Net Surplus as security for the Reimbursement Obligation and the Maximization Reimbursement Obligation, and has all rights of a secured creditor under FICC Member hereby pledges, on behalf of itself and its Affiliate, as security for the present and future payment and reimbursement obligations of either Member to

FICC and CME arising from the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligation), and grants to FICC a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of FICC including any and all Net Gains and all Actual Deposits in respect of the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, the "Collateral"). CME Member hereby pledges, on behalf of itself and its Affiliate, as security for the present and future payment and reimbursement obligations of either Member to CME and FICC arising from the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts (including, without limitation, the Reimbursement Obligation), and grants to CME a first priority continuing security interest in, lien on and right of set-off against all of its positions, margin deposits or other property held by or subject to the control of CME including any and all Net Gains in respect of the Members' Cross-Margining Accounts and the proceeds in respect thereof (such positions, margin deposits, property and proceeds, also referred to as the "Collateral"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Member agrees that (i) the rights of each Clearing Organization set forth in the preceding sentences are in addition to any other rights arising out of the New York Uniform Commercial Code. FICC Member and CME Member each unconditionally promises immediate payment of any Reimbursement Obligation and Maximization Reimbursement Obligation to a Clearing Organization as set forth in the Cross-Margining Agreement. FICC Member and CME Member further agree that, (i) if FICC has declared a Default Event with respect to FICC Member, then CME may declare CME Member to be in default under its Rules (such default also shall be considered a "Default Event") and (ii) if CME has declared a Default Event with respect to CME Member, then FICC may declare FICC Member to be in default under its Rules (such default also shall be considered a "Default Event"). or other statute, common law, or governmental regulation, or under their respective Rules, (ii) Member will execute, deliver, file and record any financing statement, specific assignment or other document and take any other action necessary or desirable and reasonably requested by FICC or CME to create, preserve, perfect or validate the security interest or lien granted in this paragraph, to enable such Clearing Organization to exercise or enforce its rights under this agreement, and (iii) Member will promptly give notice to the Clearing Organizations of, and defend against, any suit, action, proceeding or lien that involves or could adversely affect the security interest and lien granted by Member in this agreement.

FICC Member and CME Member agree that Clearing Data (as hereinafter defined) regarding Member may be disclosed by FICC to CME and by CME to FICC. "Clearing Data" means transactions and other data that is received by FICC or CME in its clearance and/or settlement processes, and such data, reports or summaries thereof, which may be produced as a result of processing such data, including data regarding a Member's positions, margin requirements and deposits.

Neither FICC nor CME guarantees to FICC Member or CME Member that the calculation of the methodology used to determine the Cross-Margining Agreement will yield any, or the highest possible, Cross-MarginingMargin Reduction for either FICC Member or CME Member.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Clearing Organizations that: (i) it has full power and authority to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; (ii) its execution and delivery of this agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite action; (iii) all authorizations of and exemptions, actions, approvals and consents by, and all notices to or filings with, any governmental or other authority or other persons that are necessary to enable it to execute and deliver this agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect, and it has complied with all of the conditions thereof; (iv) this agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it; (v) this agreement is a legal, valid, and binding obligation on its part, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; and (vi) its execution, delivery and performance of this agreement do not violate or conflict with any law, regulation, rule of self-regulatory organization or judicial or governmental order or decree to which it is subject, any provision of its constitutional or governing documents, or any term of any agreement or instrument to which it is a party, or by which its property or assets is bound or affected-; (vii) it has the power to grant, and has granted, to the Clearing Organization of which it is a Clearing Member a first priority continuing security interest in and lien on the Collateral and has taken all necessary actions to authorize the granting of such security interest and lien; (viii) it is the sole owner of or otherwise has the right to transfer all Collateral transferred to the Clearing Organization of which it is a Clearing Member pursuant to this agreement, the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules, free and clear of any security interest, lien, encumbrance or other restrictions (other than any security interest or lien granted or created pursuant to this agreement or any other agreement entered into in connection with the Cross-Margining Agreement and the Rules); and (ix) all transactions and positions in the Member's Cross-Margining Account at the Clearing Organization of which it is a member will be solely for its own account, the account of its Affiliate or the account of a Non-Customer. The term "Non-Customer' means any person that is (x) an officer, director, partner or other related person of the FICC Member that is not a "customer" of the FICC Member within the meaning of Rules 8c-1 or 15c2-1 promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act and (y) an officer, director, partner or other related person of the CME Member whose account on the records of the CME Member is a "proprietary account" within the meaning of Rule 1.3 promulgated by the CFTC under the CEA. The representations and warranties in this paragraph shall be effective as of the date of this agreement and the date of each transaction or transfer relating to this agreement or the Cross-Margining Agreement.

Each of FICC Member and CME Member further represents and warrants to FICC and CME that they are Affiliates of one another as defined in the Cross—Margining Agreement. FICC Member and CME Member acknowledge and agree that they will be treated as Cross—Margining Affiliates for purposes of the Cross—Margining Arrangement and that, as a result, a default by FICC Member to FICC may result in a loss to CME Member, and a default by CME Member to CME may result in a loss to FICC Member.

Without limiting any provision of FICCGSD's Rules, the CME's Rules or any other agreement between FICC Member and/or CME Member and FICC or CME, any transfer by the FICC Member or the CME Member of any rights it may have in the Aggregate Net Surplus Gain (or any component thereof) shall be null and void and, in any event, subject to the prior payment in full of all Reimbursement Obligations and Maximization payment and reimbursement obligations (including the Reimbursement Obligations Obligation) under the Cross-Margining Agreement.

FICC Member

This Agreement agreement shall be effective, when accepted by both FICC and CME. This Agreement Each Member shall be bound by the current terms of this agreement as well as any amended terms of which it has received notice. This agreement may be terminated by FICC Member or CME Member upon two Business Days' written notice to FICC and CME and such termination shall be effective upon written acknowledgement by both FICC and CME; provided, however, notwithstanding any such termination, this agreement shall remain effective unless and until Member satisfies its Stand-alone Margin Requirement at each Clearing Organization. Either FICC or CME may amend or terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice to FICC Member and CME Member. Notwithstanding the previous two sentences, the FICC Member's and the CME Member's obligations under this Agreement agreement and the Cross-Margining Agreement shall survive the termination of this agreement. Capitalized terms used in this agreement that are undefined shall have the meanings given to them in the Cross-Margining Agreement.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which taken together shall be deemed one and the same agreement. This Agreement agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

CMF Member

| TTCC Wichiber | | CIVIL MICHIDEI | | |
|-----------------|-------------|----------------|------|----|
| Name of Member: | <u></u> | | Name | of |
| | | | | |
| By: | By: | Ву: | | |
| Print Name: | | Print Name: | | |
| Title: | | Title: | | |
| | Print Name: | | | |
| Title: | | Title: | | |

| Accepted By |
|-------------|
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Fixed Income Clearing Corporation

| By: | By: | |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Print Name: Name: | | Print |
| Title: | Title: | |
| Date: | Title: | |
| Date: | Date: | |
| This Agreementagree | ement is dated as of | |

[To be filled in upon acceptance of CME and FICC-]

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.

APPENDIX F

Methodology for Allocation of Margin Based on Order of Increasing Disallowances

Step 1: FICC's Residual Positions, Residual Margin and Applicable Residual Margin

| | | FICC | FICC | As if CME | As if CME | _ |
|--------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|---|
| Offset Class | <u>Position</u> | Rate | Residual Margin | Rate | Margin | |
| C | \$1,000,000 L | 0.30% | \$ 3,000 | 0.30% | \$ 3,000 | _ |
| Đ | \$2,000,000 L | 0.50% | 10,000 | 0.50% | 10,000 | |
| B | \$3,000,000 L | 0.15% | 4,500 | 0.15% | <u>4,500</u> | |
| | \$6,000,000 | | \$17,500 | | \$1 7,500 | |

Lower Rate App. Resid. Margin

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 0.30\% & 3,000 \\ 0.50\% & 10,000 \\ 0.15\% & \underline{4,500} \\ & & \$17,500 \end{array}$

Step 2: COs' Residual Positions, Residual Margin and Applicable Residual Margin

| <u>Position</u> | CO Rate | CO Residual Margin |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (\$5,000,000) S | 0.40% | \$(20,000) |
| (\$3,000,000) S | 0.50% | (15,000) |
| (\$3,000,000) S (\$11,000,000) | 0.20% | (6,000) \$(41,000) |
| | (\$5,000,000) S (\$3,000,000) S | (\$5,000,000) S 0.40% (\$3,000,000) S 0.50% (\$3,000,000) S 0.20% (\$1,000,000) |

| Offset Class | As if | As if | Lower | |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------|--------------------|
| Offset Class | FICC Rate | FICE Margin | Rate | App. Resid. Margin |
| F | 0.935% | \$(46,750) | 0.40% | \$(20,000) |
| <u>C</u> | 0.30% | (9,000) | 0.30% | (9,000) |
| В | 0.15% | (4,500) | 0.15% | (4,500) |
| | | \$(60,250) | | \$(33,500) |

Step 3: Allocation Based on Increasing Disallowance Factors (1)

(1) Factors are not actual, but are hypothetical for purposes of this illustration. In this example, there is no minimum margin factor.

- Disallowance 20% FICC B - CO 01 FICC C CME 02 25% FICC D CME 02 30% FICC D CME 10 40% FICC C CO 01 50% FICC C CME 10 50% 50% FICC B CME 10 FICC B CME 02 50% FICC D CME 10 50%

Step 4: FICC Computes Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used for Each Pair of Offset Classes Based on Allocation Using the Lowest Disallowance Factors First

Round #1

| | | <u>20%</u> (FICC B CO 01) | Ann Bosid Morgin |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| Offset Class | App. Resid. Margin | Used | Remaining |
| FICC C | 3,000 | | 3,000 |
| FICC D | 10,000 | | 10,000 |
| FICC B | 4,500 | (4,500) | 0 |
| CME 10 | (20,000) | | (20,000) |
| CME 02 | (9,000) | | (9,000) |
| CO 01 | (4,500) | 4,500 | 0 |
| | <u>, / , /</u> | | |

Round #2

| · | 25% | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| App. Resid. Margin | (FICC C CME 02) | App. Resid. Margin |
| Remaining | Used | Remaining |
| 3.000 | (3,000) | 0 |
| 10,000 | | 10,000 |
| 0 | | 0 |
| (20,000) | | (20,000) |
| (9,000) | 3,000 | (6,000) |
| 0 | | 0 |
| | 3,000 10,000 0 (20,000) (9,000) | Remaining Used |

Round #3

| | App. Resid. Margin | (FICC D - CME 02) | App. Resid. Margin |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Offset Class | Remaining | Used | Remaining |
| FICC C | 0 | | 0 |
| FICC D | 10,000 | (6,000) | 4,000 |
| FICC B | 0 | | 0 |
| CME 10 | (20,000) | | (20,000) |
| CME 02 | 6,000 | 6,000 | 0 |
| CO 01 | 0 | | 0 |

Round #4

| Offset Class Remaining Used Remaining FICC C 0 0 0 FICC D 4,000 (4,000) 0 FICC B 0 0 0 CME 10 (20,000) 4,000 (16,000) | | 40% | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| FICC C 0 0 FICC D 4,000 (4,000) FICC B 0 0 CME 10 (20,000) 4,000 (16,000) | - | App. Resid. Margin | (FICC D CME 10) | App. Resid. Margin | | |
| FICC D 4,000 (4,000) 0 FICC B 0 0 CME 10 (20,000) 4,000 (16,000) | Offset Class | Remaining | Used | Remaining | | |
| FICC B 0 0 0 CME 10 (20,000) 4,000 (16,000) | FICC C | 0 | | 0 | | |
| CME 10 (20,000) 4,000 (16,000) | FICC D | 4,000 | (4,000) | 0 | | |
| CML 10 (20,000) 1,000 (10,000) | FICC B | 0 | | 0 | | |
| CME 02 | CME 10 | (20,000) | 4,000 | (16,000) | | |
| CME 02 0 | CME 02 | 0 | | 0 | | |
| <u>CO 01 0</u> | | 0 | | 0 | | |

Step 5: Summary of Information

| Dis. | App. Resid. | Amount | Margin | Clearing |
|----------------|-------------|------------|--------|---------------|
| Categ. | Marg. Used | Disallowed | Offset | Org. |
| | | | | |
| 20% | 4,500 | 900 | 3,600 | CO |
| 25% | 3,000 | 750 | 2,250 | CME |
| 30% | 6,000 | 1,800 | 4,200 | CME |
| 40% | 4,000 | 1,600 | 2,400 | CME |
| 50% | | | _ | N/A |
| | 17,500 | 5,050 | 12,450 | |

Summary of Results

| | FICC | CME 10 | CME 02 | CO 01 | Total COs |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|
| (a)_Margin | | | | | |
| Submitted | \$17,500 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 6,000 | 41,000 |
| Applicable | | | | | |
| Resid. Marg. | | | | | |
| Available | 17,500 | 20,000 | 9,000 | 4,500 | 33,500 |
| o) Margin | | | | | |
| Used (in | | | | | |
| Offset) | | | | | |
| (in CME | | | | | |
| or CO terms) | 17,500 | 4,000 | 15,000 | 6,000 | 25,000 |
| e) Margin | | | | | |
| Unused | <u>-</u> | 16,000 | | | 16,000 |
| | | | | | |
| Offset | 12,450 | 2,400 | 6,450 | 3,600 | 12,450 |
| l) Margin | | | | | |
| Disallowed | 5,050 | 1,600 | 8,550 | 2,400 | 12,550 |
| e) Cash Equivalent | | | | | |
| Used (%) | 100% | 20% | 100% | 100% | |
| Cash Equivalent | | | | | |
| Used (Amt.) | 6,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 7,000,000 |

APPENDIX-G COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 1 INITIAL MARGIN REQUIREMENT (PRE CROSS-MARGINING).

| CME Residual Position | CME Margin Rate | CME Long Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross- Margining |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Long - 600 Eurodollar contracts expiring in December 2004 | \$500 per contract | \$300,000 (600 contracts* \$500) |
| | | |

| CO A Residual Position | CO A Margin Rate | CO A Long Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross- Margining |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Long 100 T-Note contracts expiring in December 2004 - 5- year 6% Notes) | \$700 per contract | \$70,000 (100 contracts* \$700) |

Assumption:

| FICC Residual Position | FICC Margin Rate | FICC Short Residual Margin Amount in the Absence of Cross Margining |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 - Class B | 0.625% | \$62,500 |

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 2 CONVERT THE RESIDUAL FUTURES POSITION INTO A CASH EQUIVALENT POSITION.

| CME Residual Position | Settlement Price | Conversion | Cash Equivalent Position |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 600 Eurodollar contracts expiring in December 2004 | 95 | (Number of contracts) X (notional value) X (1/4) X (1/years to expiration) | \$30,000,000 |

| CO A Residual Position | Settlement Price | Conversion | Cash Equivalent Position |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 100 T-Note contracts expiring in December 2004 - 5-year 6% Notes) | 100 | (Settlement price) X (number of contracts) x (contract size) x (conversion factor) | \$10,000,000 |

Step 3 CME REPORTS DATA TO FICE

CME reports:

| - | FICC Account ID. | 9738 |
|---|---------------------------|----------|
| - | —Source Account ID | XXYY |
| • | Offset class | CME 05 |
| • | —Side of the Market | Long |
| • | —Scan Range | \$500 |
| | —Scan Risk | |
| • | Residual Number of Deltas | 300 |
| - | —Cash Equivalent \$30 | ,000,000 |
| | Residual Margin Amount \$ | |

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

Step 4:

FICC CALCULATES THE EFFECTIVE MARGIN RATE AND DERIVES THE <u>APPLICABLE</u> RESIDUAL MARGIN AMOUNT USING THE LOWER OF FICC'S OR CME'S MARGIN RATE.

| Casi | h Equivalent Position | CME Effective Margin Rate | FICC Internal Margin Rate | Applicable Long Residual Margin Amount |
|---------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$30,00 | 00,000 in Offset class CME05 | 1.0% | | \$187,500 = (Cash Equivalent Position) X (Lower Margin Rate) |
| | | | | (\$30,000,000) X (0.625%) |

CALCULATE THE APPLICABLE RESIDUAL LONG MARGIN AMOUNT USING THE LOWER OF FICC'S OR CO A MARGIN RATE.

| Cash-Equivalent Position | CO A Effective Margin Rate | FICC Internal Margin Rate | Applicable Long Residual Margin Amount |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$10,000,000 in Offset class | 0.70% | 0.625% | \$62,500 = (Cash Equivalent Position) X (Lower Margin Rate) (\$10,000,000) X (0.625%) |

COMPUTATION OF CROSS-MARGINING REDUCTION

STEP 5

CALCULATE THE PROPORTIONAL MARGIN ALLOCATION BASED ON <u>APPLICABLE</u> RESIDUAL MARGIN AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO FICC.

NOTE: ALLOCATION BY PRORATION IS ONLY NECESSARY WHEN FICE DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT MARGIN AVAILABLE TO FULLY ABSORB ALL MARGIN PRESENTED TO IT.

- Potential Offsets:
 - FICC Offset Class Available: B (Short)
 - CME Offset Class Available: 5 (Long)
 - CO A Offset Class Available: C (Long)
- Options for Offset in Priority Order
 - FICC B vs. CME 5.....30% disallowance
 - FICC B vs. CO A C.....30% disallowance
- Since the disallowance factors are equal, the positions presented to FICC by both CME and CO A are equally correlated.
- FICC's position is prorated based on the amounts computed by FICC as "Applicable".
- This hypothetical example assumes there is no minimum margin factor.

| Total Applicable Residual Margin Amount | CME Applicable Residual Margin Amount | CO A Applicable Residual Margin Amount | Proportion Allocable to CME | Proportion Allocable to CO A |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$250,000 : all in the 30% category | \$187,500 | \$62,500 | 75% | 25% |

Step 6 CALCULATE THE FICC RESIDUAL POSITION AND MARGIN AMOUNT ALLOCABLE TO CME AND CO A

| FICC Residual Position | FICC's Internal Margin Rate | FICC Residual Margin Amount | Residual Margin Amount Allocable to CME (at 75%) | FICC Residual Position Allocable to CME (at 75%) |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 | 0.625% | Short \$62,500 | \$46,875 | \$7,500,000 |

| FICC Residual Position | FICC's Internal Margin Rate | FICC Residual Margin Amount | Margin Amount Allocable to CO A (at 25%) | FICC Residual Position Allocable to CO A (at 25%) |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Short \$10,000,000 | 0.625% | Short \$62,500 | \$15,625 | 2,500,000 |

STEP 7 FICC REPORTS RESULTS TO CME

| Danastad | Information | from the | inhound file |
|----------|-------------|----------|--------------|
| | | | |
| | | | |

| ■ FICC Account ID. | 9738 |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Source Account ID | . XXYY |
| Offset class | CME 05 |
| Price Scan Range | \$500 |
| ■ Scan Risk | |
| Side of the Market | Long |
| Residual Number of Deltas | 300 |
| - Cash Equivalent \$30 | ,000,000 |
| Residual Margin Amount \$ | 300,000 |

FICC Class ID :

| Residual Margin Used | 75,000 |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Residual Margin Unused | 225,000 |
| Cash Equivalent Used | |
| - Cash Equivalent Unused | 22,500,000 |
| Margin Disallowed | 42.187 |
| Margin Reduction | |

Errors (if applicable):

- Error Code
- Error Reason

FICC Starting Position:

| FICC Class ID | В |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Side of the Market | Short |
| - Cash Equivalent | \$10,000,000 |

Spread Formed:

| FICC Class ID | <u>В</u> |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Residual Margin Used | 75,000 |
| - Cash Equivalent Used | 7,500,000 |
| - Margin Disallowed | 42,187 |
| Margin Reduction | |

APPENDIX H

Data Elements to Be Provided by CME and Returned by FICC

<u>Cross Margining Input File Data Elements</u>

| | Header |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>. </u> | _FICC Account ID |
| 2. | Source Account ID |
| 3. | Source Class ID |
| 1. | Scan Range |
| 5 | - Scan Risk |
| 5. | Side of the Market |
| 7 | Residual Number of Deltas |
| · . | Cash Equivalent |
| <u>. </u> | Residual Margin Amount |
| • | Trailer |
| | |

Cross Margining Output File Data Elements:

| | <u>Header</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|
| 1. | _FICC Account ID |
| 2. | Source Account ID |
| | Source Class ID |
| 4. | Side of the Market |
| 5. | Residual Number of Deltas |
| 6. | Residual Margin Amount |
| | Residual Margin Used |
| 8. | Residual Margin Unused |
| | Cash Equivalent Used |
| 10. | Cash Equivalent Unused |
| 11. | Margin Disallowed |
| 12. | Margin Reduction |
| | |
| | Spread Formed |
| 1. | _FICC Class ID |
| 2. | Residual Margin Used |
| 3. | Cash Equivalent Used |
| 4. | Margin Disallowed |
| 5 | Margin Reduction |
| | |
| | FICC Positions |
| 6. | _FICC Class ID |
| 7. | Side of the Market |
| 8. | Cash Equivalent |
| | |
| | Error Codes and Reasons |
| 1. | Error Code |
| | Error Reason |
| | Trailer |

Approximate Time Frames

| Transmission | Approximate Time |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| CME — Input File | 11:00 p.m. (NY) |
| FICC — Output File | -1:00 a.m. (NY) |

APPENDIX I

Loss Sharing Process

1. Determine the Cross Margin Gain (CMG) or Cross Margin Loss (CML) (isolating the side of the market that was offset) in each Offset Class (without regard to any Available Margin) for each Clearing Organization (CO), on a pro rata basis in proportion to Applicable Residual Margin Amount Used versus the total Applicable Residual Margin Amount in each such Offset Class.

When multiple COs are cross-margining with FICC, all of the calculations in this Appendix J will be applied to each FICC - CO arrangement, in accordance with each CO's pro rata share computed for each Offset Class.

The party who liquidates to a CMG or smaller CML is the "better off" party; the other party is the "worse off" party. This designation does not change during or as a result of the loss-sharing process.

- 2. If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization. If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross Margin Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such Guaranties will offset one another and no Preliminary Payment Obligation is due. However, there may, nevertheless, be a Maximization Payment due under Section 8C of the Agreement.
- 3. Determine the "Preliminary Payment Obligation of the better off party to the worse off party as the lowest of:
 - (i) The CML on all Used Positions of the worse-off party;
 - (ii) The higher of (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or (b) the CMG of the better-off party, if any;
 - (iii) The amount required to equalize the two parties' Cross Margin Gains (Losses);
 - (iv)The amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better-off party's CML if both parties have CMLs.

Payment in immediately available funds to be made within 3 Business Days following the calculation of the CMG/CML.

¹-Exclusively as it relates to the independent liquidation of all Used Positions in cross-margining, and without regard to any Margin.

- 4. Determine whether an Adjustment Payment needs to be made, reflecting a return from the worse off party to the better off party of all or a portion of the Preliminary Payment Obligation. The amount of the Adjustment Payment will be the **lower** of:
 - (i) The Preliminary Payment Obligation (as determined in Step 3 above), or
 - (ii) The Aggregate Net Surplus (taking into account all Available Margin) of the worse off party.

Adjustment Payment to be made in immediately available funds within 3 Business Days following the calculation of the Aggregate Net Surplus (Aggregate Net Loss) amounts.

5. If, after satisfying all losses, including those unrelated to the cross-margining arrangement, one party has a remaining Aggregate Net Surplus, such Aggregate Net Surplus would be made available to the other party, subject to the priorities set forth in this Agreement, in the form a Maximization Payment, if the other party has an Aggregate Net Loss.

$\frac{\textbf{APPENDIX J}}{\textbf{J}}$

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

| Assumptions Related to Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| | | | | | | |
| | Appl | icable Residual Mar | gin Amounts | Applicable Res | idual Margin Amou | ınts Used |
| Offset Class | CO A | <u>CO B</u> – | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO A</u> | CO B | |
| | | | | | | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | _10,000,000 L _ | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 10,000,000_L | -60,000,000 S |
| <u>Liquidation Results</u> | | Gain/(Loss) | | | | |
| | | on Residual Posi | | | s Margin Gain/ (Lo | ss) |
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u></u> | FICC | <u>CO A</u> | <u>-CO B</u> | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (5,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (5,000,000) | (12,000,000) |
| | | | | | | |
| Concepts Illustrated: | | | | | | |
| With multilateral cross margining, eligible gain/loss is proportional. (i.e. FICC allocates 40% or \$60 / \$150 to participating COs.) Accordingly, 40% of FICC's gain or loss in that Offset Class will be allocated to the participating CO. (i.e. 40% of \$30 million is \$12 million) | | | | | | |
| Cross Margin Gain / Cross Margin Loss is calculated without regard to Available Margin. | | | | | | |
| This example assumes no disallowance and no minimum margin requirements. | | | | | | |

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

| | Step 1: Determine the Cross Margin Gains/Losses from Used Positions separately for each CO, in this | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------|--|--|
| Example CO A. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | Applicable Residua | | Applicable Residual Mar | | | |
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | | |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | -50,000,000 S (1/3 rd allocated) | | |
| Liquidation Results | Gain/ | | | | | |
| Offset Class | | nl Positions | Cross Margin G | | | |
| Offset Class | <u>СО А</u> | <u>FICC</u> | <u>СО-А</u> | FICC | | |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) | | |
| | | | | (1/3 rd allocated) | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Concepts Illustrated: | | | | | | |
| Cross Margin Gain / Cross Margin Loss is proportional to the percentage of the Applicable Residual Margin Used. | | | | | | |
| Cross Margin Gain/Cross N | Margin Loss is calculated with | out regard to Available Margin. | | | | |
| This example assumes no c | lisallowance and no minimum | margin requirements. | | | | |
| If neither FICC nor CME has a Cross Margin Loss, no payment will be due to either Clearing Organization. If FICC and CME each has a Cross Margin Loss that exceeds the Cross Margining Reduction, or each has an equal Cross Margin Loss, such guaranties shall offset one another and no Preliminary Payment Obligation to either Clearing Organization is due. Otherwise, proceed to Step 2. | | | | | | |

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

| Step 2: Determine the Preliminary Payment Obligation | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| | Applicable Residua | l Margin Amounts | Applicable Residual N | Margin Amounts Used | Cross Margin | Reduction | |
| Offset Class | CO A | FICC | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | <u>FICC</u> | |
| 2-Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | |
| Liquidation | Results | | | | | | |
| Gain/(Loss) On Residual Positions Cross Margin Gain/(Loss) | | | | | | | |
| Offset Class | CO A | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | | | |
| 2 Year | (70,000,000) | (30,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) | | | |

The Preliminary Payment Obligation is determined based on the following formula:

| Calculate the lowest of: | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| (i) Cross Margin Loss of the "worse off" party | 1 | 70,000,000 |
| (ii) Higher of: (a) the Base Amount of the Guaranty or, (b) any Cross Margin Gain of the "better off" party. | 50 mil | |
| | пот аррпсаоте | 50,000,000 |
| (iii) Amount required to equalize the parties' Cross Margin Gains (Losses). | | 30,000,000 |
| (iv) Amount by which the Base Amount of the Guaranty exceeds the better off party's Cross Margin Loss if | | |
| both parties have Cross Margin Losses. | | 40,000,000 |

Result: Preliminary Payment Obligation is calculated and made based on the lowest amount computed above, in this case \$30,000,000.

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

| Step 3:Determine whether an Adjustment Payment needs to be made where the worse off party returns all or part of the Preliminary Payment Obligation. | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Date of the French | | | | | | |
| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used | | Cross Margin Reduction | |
| Offset Class | CO A | FICC | CO-A | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S |
| | | | | | | |
| <u>Liquidation Results</u> | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | Gain/(Loss) on Residual Positions | | Cross Margin Gain/(Loss) | | Aggregate Net Overall Surplus/(Loss) Including All Available Margin | |
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | <u>CO-A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | FICC |
| 2.37 | (70,000,000) | (20,000,000) | (70,000,000) | (10,000,000) | (95,000,000) | 50,000,000 |

Determine the Adjustment Payment as the lesser of the:

- Preliminary Payment Obligation (as determined in Step 2 above), or
 \$30,000,000
- Aggregate Net Surplus (taking into account all Available Margin) of the worse-off party.
 \$0

<u>Result</u>: No Adjustment Payment is made because the worse off party does not have excess in other products.

Examples of Loss Sharing Process

| | on Payment | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts | | Applicable Residual Margin Amounts Used | | Cross Margin Reduction | |
| Offset Class | <u>CO A</u> | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | <u>FICC</u> | CO A | <u>FICC</u> |
| 2 Year | 50,000,000 L | 150,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S | 50,000,000 L | 50,000,000 S |
| | | | | | | |
| Liquidation Results | <u>s</u> | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | Gain/4 on Residue | | Cross Marg | i n Gain/(Loss) | <u>Aggregate N</u> <u>Surplus/(</u> Including All Ava | Loss) |
| Offset Class | | | Cross Marg | in Gain/(Loss) | Surplus/(| Loss) |
| Offset Class 2 Year | on Residue | al Positions | | | Surplus/(Including All Ave | Loss) ailable Margin |
| | on Residue | Positions FICC | CO A | FICC | Surplus/(Including All Ave | Loss) ailable Margin FICC |

<u>Maximization Payment</u>: FICC's \$25,000,000 is subject to a pro rata allocation amongst CME and the Other COs as more completely described in the Agreement.

APPENDIX K

TIMING OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE BASE AMOUNT OF THE GUARANTY

| Business Day for which Cross- Margining Reduction is calculated | Cross-Margining Reduction as Reported by FICC at 1:00 a.m.* | Base Amount of the Guaranty Equals: |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Monday</u> | \$10 million | On Tuesday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million On Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. = \$10 million |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | <u>\$9 million</u> | On Wednesday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million On Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. = \$9 million |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | \$9 million | On Thursday at 1:00 a.m. = \$9 million On Thursday at 11:00 a.m. = \$9 million |
| <u>Thursday</u> | \$7 million | On Friday at 1:00 a.m. = \$9 million On Friday at 11:00 a.m. = \$7 million |
| Friday | <u>\$10 million</u> | On Saturday at 1:00 a.m. = \$10 million On Monday at 11:00 a.m. = \$10 million |

^{*} All times are in New York time.