

IMPORTANT NOTICE

National Securities Clearing Corporation



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Date: December 16, 2008
To: ALL PARTICIPANTS
Attention: MANAGING PARTNER/OFFICER, OPERATIONS
PARTNER/OFFICER, COMPLIANCE OFFICER
From: GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE
Subject: Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities, LLC Closeout – Deadline
for Submission of Member Closeout Details to NSCC for Security
Balance Orders including CNS Receive and Deliver Orders

On December 12, 2008, National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") ceased to act for Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities, LLC ("Madoff"), NSCC Member No. 0646.

NSCC Important Notice A#6760 (P&S#6330) dated December 13, 2008, advised Members that with respect to non-CNS activity, NSCC had determined to guarantee Security Balance Orders including CNS Receive and Deliver Orders with Madoff for Settlement Dates of December 15, 16 and 17, 2008. Members were advised that, in accordance with NSCC Rule 18, Security Balance Orders and CNS Receive and Deliver Orders for the above dates should be sold out or bought in by the Member named thereon without unnecessary delay in the best available market and that all such close-outs must be accounted for to NSCC. Specifically, this includes: (i) all claims with respect to the closeout of Security Balance Orders including CNS Receive and Deliver Orders, and (ii) profits from the selling out or the buying in of Security Balance Orders including CNS Receive and Deliver Orders to or by Madoff.

Members are hereby advised that the accounting period for reporting the details of their closeout of all Madoff guaranteed Security Balance Orders/CNS Receive and Deliver Orders for the settlement dates specified above has been established. **Members are required to submit details supporting their closeout of such transactions to NSCC by no later than 5:00 PM, (New York time) Monday, December 29, 2008 (regardless of whether such closeout resulted in a profit or loss) (the "Deadline").** NSCC emphasizes that no loss claims will be accepted by NSCC after the Deadline. Members should contact their Relationship Manager to obtain the documentation required for submission of a claim or profit to NSCC.

Questions with respect to this matter should be addressed to your Relationship Manager.