DTCC Important Notice Fixed Income Clearing Corporation - GOV

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Date:	April 20, 2020
То:	Government Securities Division ("GSD") Members
Category:	Service Update
Subject:	GSD's Same-Day Settling Client Testing - Phase 2

Background:

The Government Securities Division ("GSD") of the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") has proposed to expand its trade novation, guarantee of settlement and risk management services to eligible and compared same-day settling trades through the Same-Day Settling Service. GSD also has proposed to offer a facility to pair-off Members Fail Receive Obligations and Fail Deliver Obligations through an automated Pair-off Service. Phase 1 Client Testing for the Same-Day Settling Service was completed in 2019.

GSD's Same-Day Settling Client Testing – Phase 2:

As mentioned in Important Notice <u>GOV859-20</u>, GSD will commence Phase 2 of its User Acceptance Test ("UAT") for the Same-Day Settling Service on May 4, 2020. This phase will consist of testing additional changes made to the Real-Time Trade Matching (RTTM[®]) application in support of the Same-Day Settling Service and Pair-off Service. Phase 2 testing will require comprehensive testing of:

- 1. Trade actions submitted via Real-time messaging or GSD's RTTM terminal
- 2. The settlement statuses of same-day Securities Settlement Obligations resulting from the aforementioned trade actions
- 3. The settlement statuses of Securities Settlement Obligations cleared through the pairoff process

Additional details of the client testing process are listed below:

- The testing period will be from May 4th, 2020 to July 17th, 2020.
- Client testing will be supported by the FICC Integration team. To schedule testing and to
 obtain the relevant test scripts, please contact the FICC Integration team via e-mail at
 <u>FICCIntegration@dtcc.com</u>. Testing will only be supported during scheduled testing
 periods.
- Clients that participate in GSD's Repo Netting Service who trade same-day settling trades, excluding Sponsoring Members whose activity is between themselves and their

Sponsored Members only (also known as Done-with Sponsored activity), will be required to complete testing.

- Clients that wish to participate in the Pair-off Service are required to complete testing before they can go-live with the Pair-off Service.
- Service providers can test on behalf of their clients, however FICC will require written confirmation from clients **prior** to testing, so that the FICC Integration and GSD management teams are informed of the arrangement.

Please note: All impacted Members will be required to provide an affirmative response upon the completion of this phase of testing and all impacted Members will be required to attest to their operational readiness prior to the Same-Day Settling Service and Pair-off Service production go-live date(s).

If you have any questions, please contact your Relationship Manager.