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Update:

Given the ongoing volatility in the fixed-income markets, effective November 20, 2023, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation (FICC) will be changing the following VaR model parameters for the Mortgage-Backed Securities Division (MBSD):

- 1. The lookback period of the MBSD's Minimum Margin Amount (MMA) will be changed from one year to two years.
- 2. The stress period added to the MBSD's sensitivity VaR lookback period will be changed from one year to 1.5 years.
- 3. The stress period added to the MBSD's Margin Proxy lookback period will be changed from one year to 1.5 years.

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