

NATIONAL SECURITIES CLEARING CORPORATION

RULES & PROCEDURES

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

<u>Bold and underlined</u> text indicates proposed added language.

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PROCEDURE XV. CLEARING FUND FORMULA AND OTHER MATTERS1

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I.(B) Additional Clearing Fund Formula

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(3) Backtesting Charge

The Corporation may require a Member to make an additional Clearing Fund deposit to mitigate exposures to the Corporation caused by settlement risks that may not be adequately captured by the Corporation's portfolio volatility model ("Backtesting Charge"). The Corporation may assess this charge both on the start of the day portfolio (the "Regular Backtesting Charge") or on an intraday basis (the "Intraday Backtesting Charge"), as needed, to enable the Corporation to achieve its backtesting coverage target. The Backtesting Charge may apply to Members that have 12-month trailing backtesting coverage below the 99 percent backtesting coverage target. The Regular Backtesting Charge and the Intraday Backtesting Charge shall generally be equal to the Member's third largest deficiency and fifth largest deficiency, respectively, that occurred during the previous 12 months. The Corporation may in its discretion adjust such charge if the Corporation determines that circumstances particular to a Member's settlement activity and/or market price volatility warrant a different approach to determining or applying such charge in a manner consistent with achieving the Corporation's backtesting coverage target.

In calculating a Member's backtesting coverage for purposes of the Backtesting Charge and in calculating any applicable Backtesting Charge, the Corporation would not include amounts already collected as a Backtesting Charge from that Member.

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All calculations shall be performed daily or, if the Corporation deems it appropriate, on a more frequent basis.