SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-65395; File No. SR-MSRB-2011-12)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board; Notice of Withdrawal of Proposed New Rule G-42, on Political Contributions and Prohibitions on Municipal Advisory Activities; Proposed Amendments to Rules G-8, on Books and Records, G-9, on Preservation of Records, and G-37, on Political Contributions and Prohibitions on Municipal Securities Business; Proposed Form G-37/G-42 and Form G-37x/G-42x; and a Proposed Restatement of a Rule G-37 Interpretive Notice

On August 19, 2011, the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the "MSRB") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, consisting of (i) proposed MSRB Rule G-42 (on political contributions and prohibitions on municipal advisory activities); (ii) proposed amendments that would make conforming changes to MSRB Rules G-8 (on books and records), G-9 (on preservation of records), and G-37 (on political contributions and prohibitions on municipal securities business); (iii) proposed Form G-37/G-42 and Form G-37x/G-42x; and (iv) a proposed restatement of a Rule G-37 interpretive notice issued by the MSRB in 1997. Notice of the proposed rule change was published in the Federal Register on September 9, 2011.³ The Commission received no

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 65255 (September 2, 2011), 76 FR 55976.

comments on the proposed rule change. On September 9, 2011, the MSRB withdrew the proposed rule change (SR-MSRB-2011-12).⁴

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

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⁴ <u>See MSRB Notice 2011-51 (September 12, 2011).</u>

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).