

MEMORANDUM - 2023-014

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THE TRADING PARTICIPANTS, OTHER MARKET

PARTICIPANTS, THE INVESTING PUBLIC,

AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

TO SRC RULES AND MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 16, SERIES

OF 2014 RELATIVE TO THE T+2 SETTLEMENT CYCLE

DATE

21 JULY 2023

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") intends to issue amendments on the 2015 Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Securities Regulation Code and SEC Memorandum Circular No. 16, Series of 2004 relative to the T+2 settlement cycle.

Thus, the SEC is inviting the trading participants, other market participants, the investing public, and other interested parties to submit their views, comments, and inputs on the proposed amendments.

The proposed amendments are herein attached (Annexes A and B).

Please address your comments to **Director Vicente Graciano P. Felizmenio, Jr.**, SEC-Markets and Securities Regulation Department (MSRD), SEC Headquarters, 7907 Makati Avenue, Salcedo Village, Bel-air, Makati City. You may email your comments to **msrd_covid19@sec.gov.ph**, **mrgarcia@sec.gov.ph**, and **debalonzo@sec.gov.ph**, not later than 4 August 2023.

Thank you.

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President

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Annex A. 2015 SRC RULES

2015 SRC RULES (AMENDMENTS)

49.1.1.5.3. Computation of Net Liquid Capital (NLC)

In computing NLC, the Equity Eligible for Net Liquid Capital of a Broker Dealer is adjusted by the following, provided, however, that in determining net worth, all long and all short securities position shall be marked to their market value:

49.1.1.5.3.1. XXX

49.1.1.5.3.2. Deducting fixed assets and assets which cannot be readily converted into cash [less any indebtedness excluded in accordance with SRC Rule 49.1.1.5.2.4 of the Definition of the term Aggregate Indebtedness] including, among other things:

49.1.1.5.3 .2.1. XXX

49.1.1.5.3.2.2. All unsecured advances and loans; deficits in customers' and non-customers' unsecured and partly secured notes; deficits in special omnibus accounts or similar accounts carried on behalf of another Broker Dealer, after application of calls for margin, marks to the market or other required deposits that are outstanding three (3) two (2) business days or less; deficits in customers' and non-customers' unsecured and partly secured accounts after application of calls for margin, marks to the market or other required deposits that are outstanding three (3) two (2) business days or less, except deficits in cash accounts for which not more than one extension respecting a specified securities transaction has been requested and granted; the market value of stock loaned in excess of the value of any collateral received therefore; and any collateral deficiencies in secured demand notes in conformity with SRC Rule 49.1.2 above.

Rule 50 - Purchases and Sales in Cash Account

50.1. Purchases by a customer in a cash account shall be paid in full within three (3) two (2) business days after the trade date.

Rule 52.1.11. Monthly Aging of Customers Receivables

52.1.11.2. The aging schedule shall indicate the monetary and securities collateral values of the customers' receivable as of end of month, broken down as follows:

Classification
T+0 to $T+2$ $T+1$
T+3 T+2 to T+13 T+1
T+14 T+13 to T+30
T+31 up

52.1.11.3. Every Broker Dealer shall appropriate Allowance for Doubtful Accounts (ADA) using and in accordance with the following schedule:

Classification	Provision	Base
T+0 to-T+2 T+1	0	Total Receivables (TR)
T+3 T+2 to T+13 T+12	2%	TR
T+14 T+13 to T+30	50%	TR less collateral (net of haircut)
T+31 up	100%	TR less collateral (net of haircut)

The ADA is computed by getting, for each doubtful account, an amount equivalent to the provision (see Table above) of the amount outstanding, net of collateral (net of haircut). Basis for the computation would be the individual accounts.

ADOPTION OF THE RISK BASED CAPITAL ADEQUACY REQUIREMENT/RATIO (RBCA) FOR BROKERS DEALERS

(AMENDMENTS)

C. Computation of Net Liquid Capital (NLC)

In computing NLC, the Equity Eligible for Net Liquid Capital of a Broker Dealer is adjusted by the following, provided, however, that in determining net worth, all long and all short securities position shall be marked to their market value:

- i. XXX
- ii. Deducting fixed assets and assets which cannot be readily converted into cash [less any indebtedness excluded in accordance with paragraph (iv) of the Definition of the term Aggregate Indebtedness] including, among other things:
 - a. XXX
 - b. All unsecured advances and loans; deficits in customers' and non-customers' unsecured and partly secured notes; deficits in special omnibus accounts or similar accounts carried on behalf of another Broker Dealer, after application of calls for margin, marks to the market or other required deposits that are outstanding three (3) two (2) business days or less; deficits in customers' and non-customers' unsecured and partly secured accounts after application of calls for margin, marks to the market or other required deposits that are outstanding three (3) two (2) business days or less, except deficits in cash accounts for. which not more than one extension respecting a specified securities transaction has been requested and granted; the market value of stock loaned in excess of the value of any collateral received therefore; and any collateral deficiencies in secured demand notes in conformity with SRC Rule 49.1 (G) above.

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SCHEDULE FOR PART 4 SCHEDULE FOR SPECIFIC AND GENERAL PROVISIONING FOR OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

A. Customer accounts qualifying as Non-performing Accounts

Type of account	Criteria for classification of account as non-performing	Date for classification
1. Contra losses	When the account remains unpaid starting from T + 4 or more from the date of	T + 4 T+3

	contra transaction	
2. Overdue purchase contracts	When the account remains unpaid starting from T + 14 T+13	T+14T+13 or when the broker exercises its right of mandatory close out over the securities serving as collateral
3. Margin Accounts	When, upon making a margin call, the period to put up equity to meet the margin deficiency has expired	Upon expiration of period

B. Specific Provision

 Specific provisions for bad and doubtful accounts shall be made for contra losses, overdue purchase contracts and margin accounts. For purposes of this section, these types of accounts are classified as Doubtful or Loss depending on the default period each respectively has. They are as follows:

Type of Accounts	Period when account is overdue	Classification
1. Contra losses	a. T + 4 T+3 to 30 calendar days b. over 30 calendar das	a. Doubtful b. Loss
2. Overdue purchase contracts	a. T + 14 T+13 to 30 calendar days b. over 30 calendar days	a. Doubtful b. Loss
3. Margin Accounts	When the Equity has fallen below the required minimum margin maintenance and the margin deficiency is more than P10,000.00	Loss

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SCHEDULE B.2 COUNTERPARTY RISK REQUIREMENT COUNTERPARTY RISK FACTORS FOR UNSETTLED AGENCY TRADES

SRC Rule 49 (H) Subsection VI

Agency Transaction	Time period for	Credit Risk Factor
	application	
	of	
	Percentage	
1. Sell	T to $T + 2$	0%
Contract	T+1of clients	
- covers		
possible risk		
offailing to	From $T + 3T + 2$	8% of the mark to market value of
receive the	to $T + 13 T + 12$	the sell contract multiplied by the
security on a	of clients	CW, for negative counterparty
sales		exposure (i.e., if the current market value exceeds the transaction value
contract		W178419470 3444000 AV14419 AV1
		of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty
		exposure (i.e. if the current market
		value is less than the transaction
		value of the stock)
	Beyond T + 13	The marked to market value of the
	T+12 of	contract multiplied by the CW for
	clients	negative counterparty exposures
		(i.e., if the current market value
		exceeds the transaction value of the
		stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty
		exposure (i.e. if the current market
		value is less than the transaction
		value of the stock)
2. Buy	T to $T+2$	0%
Contract	T+1 of clients	
- covers		
possible risk		
of failing to		
give cash		
payment on a		
buy order		

	From T+3 T+2 to T+13 T+12 of clients	8% of the mark to market value of the buy contract multiplied by the CW, for negative counterparty exposure (i.e., if the transaction value exceeds the current market value of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the transaction value is less than the current market value of the stock
	Beyond T + 13 T+12 of clients	The marked to market value of the contract multiplied by the CW for negative counterparty exposures (i.e., if the transaction value exceeds the current market value of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the transaction value is less than the current market value of the stock)

SCHEDULE B.3 COUNTERPARTY RISK REQUIREMENT COUNTERPARTY RISK FACTORS FOR UNSETTLED PRINCIPAL TRADES

SRC Rule 49 (H) Subsection VI

Principal Transaction	Time period for application of	Credit Risk Factor
1. Sell Contract - covers possible risk ofcounterparty failing to deliver	Percentage T to T+2 T+1 of counterparties (i.e. Exchange/Clearing Agency or BD)	0%

securities on a sell order	From T + 3 T + 2 to T + 13 T + 12 of clients	8% of the mark to market value of the sell contract multiplied by the CW, for negative counterparty exposure (i.e., if the transaction value exceeds thecurrent market value of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the transaction value is less than the current market value of the stock)
	Beyond T + 13 T+12 of counterparties	The marked Io market value of the contract multipliedby the CW for negative counterparty exposures (i.e., if the transaction value exceeds the currentmarket value of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the transaction value is less than the current market value of the stock)
2. Buy Contract - covers possible risk of counterparty failing to deliver securities on a buy contract	T to T+2 T+1 of counterparties	0%
conorac	From T+3 T+2 to T+13 T+12 of counterparties	8% of the mark to market value of the buy contract multiplied by the CW, for negative counterparty exposure (i.e., if the current market value exceeds thetransaction value of the stock)
		0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the current market value is less than the transaction value of the stock)
	Beyond T+13 T+12 of counterparties	The marked to market value of the contract multiplied by the CW for negative counterparty exposures (i.e., if the current market value exceeds the transaction value of the stock) 0% if it is a positive counterparty exposure (i.e. if the current market value is less than the transaction value of the stock)

SCHEDULE B.4 COUNTERPARTY RISK REQUIREMENT COUNTERPARTY RISK FACTORS FOR DEBTS/LOANS, CONTRA LOSS, ANDOTHER DEBTS DUE

SRC Rule 49 (H) Subsection VI

Debt/Aging Period	Credit Risk Factor (of Counterparty Exposure)
Less than 2 days 1 day (or T+0 to T+2 T+1)	Zero
3-13 2-12 days (or T+3 T+2 to T+13 T+12)	8% of amount due
14 13-30 days	50% of amount due
Over 30 days	100% of amount due