## Interpretation Memo

Member Firm Regulation



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TO:

MEMBERS AND MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

ATTENTION:

CHIEF EXECUTIVE, FINANCIAL, AND OPERATIONS

OFFICERS/PARTNERS

SUBJECT:

OVERDRAFTS, ZERO BALANCE CHECKING ACCOUNTS AND

FUNDS WIRED FROM SEG-OFFSET ACCOUNTS

SEC advised that book overdrafts in zero balance or overdraft checking accounts incurred in connection with Seg-Offset activities need not be included as credit items in the reserve formula computation under Rule 15c3-3a provided that written assurance has been obtained from the bank, by the broker-dealer, that there are no cross liens to customer related collateral or any other accounts with the bank.

However, credit balances must be included in the Reserve Formula if any of the checks or drafts drawn on these accounts are:

Payable to customers or broker-dealers;

Paid in connection with a securities transaction; or

Deposited in another bank account unless only wired funds are paid out of the receiving account.

Questions and comments should be directed to your organization's finance coordinator.

Attached are updated handbook pages which are being distributed as replacements for existing pages. The following should be carefully reviewed before insertion into the handbook.

## SEC Rule 15c3-3

## Page & Reference Subject 673, 15c3-3 (Exh. A) Zero Balance or Overdraft Bank Accounts (Note A) /014 For Checks Issued to Vendors 674, 15c3-3 (Exh. A) Zero Balance or Overdraft Accounts used (Note A) /015 in connection with Seg-Offset Accounts 674, 15c3-3 (Exh. A) Funds wired from "Seg-Offset" Accounts (Note A) /02 Remove Pages Add Pages 672 - 673 672 - 675