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| Initial *   | Amendment *                                      | Withdrawal   | Section 19(b)(2) *    | Section  | on 19(b)(3)(A) *  | Section 19(b)(3)(B) * |
| Pilot   | Extension of Time Period for Commission Action * | Date Expires *   |                       | <ul><li>19b-4(f)</li><li>19b-4(f)</li><li>19b-4(f)</li></ul> | (2)   |                       |
|   | f proposed change pursuant<br>806(e)(1) *        | to the Payment, Clearing Section 806(e)(2) *   | ing, and Settlement A | ct of 2010   | Security-Based Swa to the Securities Exch Section 3C(b)(2 | -                     |
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| Contact Information  Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.                                 |  |  |                       |  |   |                       |
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| Title * Associate Chief Counsel   |  |  |                       |  |   |                       |
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| Signature  Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.   |  |  |                       |  |   |                       |
| -   | 07/01/2016<br>James Wrona                        |  | Vice President and A  | (Title *)<br>Associate Ge                                    | neral Counsel   |                       |
| (Name *)  NOTE: Clicking the button at right will digitally sign and lock this form. A digital signature is as legally binding as a physical signature, and once signed, this form cannot be changed.  James Wrona, jim.wrona@finra.org |  |  |                       |  |   |                       |

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> Re: File No. SR-FINRA-2016-015 - Proposed Rule Change Relating to Award Offsets in Arbitration – Extension of Time for **Commission Action**

Dear Ms. Gonzalez:

Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. hereby extends the time for Commission action on the above-referenced rule filing to August 19, 2016.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (212) 858-4481 or margo.hassan@finra.org, or contact Kenneth Andrichik, Senior Vice President & Chief Counsel, at (212) 858-3915 or ken.andrichik@finra.org.

Very truly yours,

/s/

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