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Europe Finalizes Rules on Indirect Clearing Arrangements

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Derivatives Markets Advisory Committee
ICI Global Trading & Markets Committee
Securities Operations Advisory Committee RE: Europe Finalizes Rules on Indirect Clearing
Arrangements

The European Union recently finalized regulatory technical standards (RTS) for indirect clearing arrangements for over-the-counter and exchange-traded derivatives.[1] An "indirect clearing arrangement" is where a client of a clearing member of a central counterparty ("CCP") (e.g., a dealer that itself is not a clearing member) provides clearing services to its own clients (e.g., regulated funds). The RTS take effect on January 3, 2018.

For more information about the substance of the RTS, please *see* <u>ICI Memorandum No.</u> <u>29972</u>, which explains the major provisions of the new rules and the protections available to regulated funds and other customers that use indirect clearing arrangements.

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endnotes

[1] Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2154 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements, *available*

at http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32017R2154&from=EN (for exchange-traded derivatives); Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2155 amending Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 149/2013 with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements, available

at http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32017R2155&from=EN (for over-the-counter derivatives).

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