### **MEMO# 23378**

April 3, 2009

# Draft Comment Letter on Cost Basis Reporting -- Comments Requested; Conference Call Scheduled for Wednesday, April 8 at 2:00 PM ET

**ACTION REQUESTED** 

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TO: BROKER/DEALER ADVISORY COMMITTEE No. 19-09
TAX COMMITTEE No. 11-09
TRANSFER AGENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE No. 29-09 RE: DRAFT COMMENT LETTER ON
COST BASIS REPORTING -- COMMENTS REQUESTED; CONFERENCE CALL SCHEDULED FOR
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8 AT 2:00 PM ET

Attached for your review is a draft ICI letter to the Internal Revenue Service and Treasury Department on the new mandatory cost basis reporting requirement. [1] The letter responds to a variety of implementation questions asked by the IRS in Notice 2009-17. [2]

Please provide any comments to me (202-371-5432 or kgibian@ici.org) at your earliest convenience and in all events no later than 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8.

We will have a conference call next Wednesday, April 8, at 2:00 p.m. ET to finalize the letter. If you plan on participating in the conference call, please complete the attached response form and return it to Ezella Wynn by e-mail (<a href="mailto:ewynn@ici.org">ewynn@ici.org</a>) or fax (202-326-5841). The dial-in number for the call is 800-857-4891 and the passcode is 57186. If you have comments that you wish to discuss on the call, please provide those comments to me beforehand.

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## **Associate Counsel**

## **Attachment**

#### endnotes

- [1] See Institute Memorandum (22916) to Bank, Trust and Recordkeeping Advisory Committee No. 31-08, Broker/Dealer Advisory Committee No. 37-08, Operations Members No. 17-08, Tax Members No. 40-08, and Transfer Agent Advisory Committee No. 59-08 (among others), dated October 3, 2008.
- [2] See Institute Memorandum (23244) to Tax Committee No. 4-09, dated February 10, 2009; Memorandum (23261) to Transfer Agent Advisory Committee No. 15-09, dated February 18, 2009.

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