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NASDR REQUESTS COMMENT ON DELETING OBSOLETE RULES OR AMENDING RULES TO PROVIDE INSTITUTIONAL CUSTOMER EXCEPTION

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The Office of

the General Counsel of NASD Regulation, Inc. has issued a Notice to Members informing them that it is undertaking a review of the NASD rules and by-laws.* According to the the Notice, NASDR is seeking to determine whether there are any NASD rules or by-laws that should be repealed as obsolete or otherwise unnecessary or that should be modernized in light of technological or industry developments. In addition, NASDR is seeking to determine if particular rules should distinguish between retail and institutional customers in their application. NASDR has requested comment from members and other interested persons on these issues. The NASD will notify its members of any rule changes that are proposed as a result of this review. A copy of the Notice to Members is attached. Comments are due to NASDR by November 30, 1998. If you have ideas or suggestions that you would like the Institute to include in its comment letter, please contact me (telephone: 202/326-5819, fax: 202/326-5839, or e-mail: savage@ici.org) no later than November 6, 1998. Joseph P. Savage Associate Counsel Attachment

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