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FUTURES CONTRACT MARGIN REQUIREMENTS AND INDEX PRODUCTS FLOATING MARGIN RATES

Bourse de Montréal Inc. (the "Bourse") sets futures margin rates and index products floating margin rates, and updates these rates when market conditions justify. Considering the recent changes in these conditions, the Bourse in collaboration with Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation (CDCC), has determined that futures contract margin rates, in the case of speculators and hedgers, be modified as follows:

FUTURES CONTRACTS	MARGIN TYPE	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE
ONV 20 Day Oversight Days Date	Speculator	\$800	\$850
ONX - 30-Day Overnight Repo Rate	Hedger	\$700	\$800
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BAX - Three-month Canadian Bankers' Acceptance	Hedger	\$500	\$500
CCZ T	Speculator	\$550	\$550
CGZ - Two-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$500	\$500
COD TO COLOR DE	Speculator	\$2,000	\$2,000
CGB - Ten-year Canadian Government Bond	Hedger	\$1,900	\$1,900
CALE CODENA COL I	Speculator	\$4,200	\$4,300
SXF - S&P/TSX 60 Index	Hedger	\$4,000	\$4,100
GVA CODEGVC 1C 111 1	Speculator	\$4,100	\$4,100
SXA - S&P/TSX Capped Gold Index	Hedger	\$3,900	\$3,900
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SXB - S&P/TSX Capped Financials Index	Hedger	\$700	\$1,100
CVIII COD/MCV/C 11 C / M 1 1 1 1	Speculator	\$1,800	\$1,900
SXH - S&P/TSX Capped Information Technology Index	Hedger	\$1,700	\$1,800
CVV COD/CCV C 1 F 1.1.	Speculator	\$1,900	\$2,000
SXY - S&P/TSX Capped Energy Index	Hedger	\$1,800	\$1,900
ENTE N. (1N)	Speculator	26.75%	34.93%
FNT - Nortel Networks Corporation	Hedger	23.75%	31.75%

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The following is a summary of the various margin rates for the futures contracts listed at Bourse de Montréal Inc.

MARGIN TYPE	INDEX AND EQUITY FUTURES CONTRACTS					
	SXF	SXA	SXB	SXH	SXY	FNT
SPECULATOR ¹ (simple position)	\$4,300	\$4,100	\$1,200	\$1,900	\$2,000	34.93% ²
HEDGER ¹ (simple position)	\$4,100	\$3,900	\$1,100	\$1,800	\$1,900	31.75% ²
SPREADS	\$350	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$5

MARGIN TYPE	INTEREST RATE FUTURES CONTRACTS				
WHITE THE	ONX	BAX	CGZ	CGB	
SPECULATOR ¹ (simple position)	\$850	\$550	\$550	\$2,000	
HEDGER ¹ (simple position)	\$800	\$500	\$500	\$1,900	
SPREADS	\$132	\$145	\$200	\$200	

The "Speculator" designation applies to all clients, except acceptable institutions, acceptable counterparties, regulated entities and bona fide hedgers, as defined in the Rules and Policies of the Bourse.

In regards to index products floating margin rates, the following rates have been determined:

FLOATING MARGIN RATE	PREVIOUS RATE	NEW RATE
Basket of S&P/TSX 60 Index Securities	4.75%	5.00%
S&P/TSX 60 Index Participation Units	4.75%	5.25%

These new margin requirements will be effective on Monday, May 10, 2004.

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^{2.} The margin requirements for the FNT are defined as a percentage and must be applied by using the futures contract settlement price.