

To: Approved Participants
Chief Financial Officers
External Auditors
Holders of the Rules and Policies Manual

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MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR RETAIL ACCOUNTS SUPERVISION AMENDMENTS TO POLICY C-2

The Special Committee – Regulatory Division of Bourse de Montréal Inc. (the "Bourse") has approved amendments to Policy C-2 – Minimum standards for retail accounts supervision. These amendments become effective immediately.

In order to ensure effective regulations and the maintenance of a supervisory system that favour the business objectives of approved participants and, at the same time, that ensure the self-regulatory process, Policy C-2 has been amended so that the minimum standards of accounts supervision reflect the changes and current needs of the industry.

These amendments have for effect:

- to increase the minimum monthly commission amount requiring a review from \$1,000 to \$1,500 at the branch level and from \$2,500 to \$3,000 at the head office level;
- to oblige approved participants offering accounts for which set fees are charged to develop supervisory policies for the review of such accounts; and
- to set a mechanism permitting approved participants to submit to their prime audit jurisdiction, for approval, alternate policies and procedures for accounts supervision.

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