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Computershare

Introductions

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Agenda

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- > Timeline
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- > Industry Preparation and Impacts
- > Computershare Equity Plan Changes
- > Computershare Employee Stock Purchase Plan Changes
- > Issuer Considerations



T+2 Change Explained

- The SEC has adopted an amendment to shorten the settlement cycle in the United States for most security transactions from 3 business days to 2 business days
- > Implementation date= September 5, 2017



Timeline

1995 SEC Rule Mandates T+3 Settlement from T+5 **2012**European Commission decides to move to T+2

2008

Global Financial Crisis spurs regulation to mitigate systemic risk 2012

DTCC analyzes the cost, benefits, and challenges

2014 EU countries convert to T+2 **Q2-2016**SEC Published final rule changes and effective dates

March 22, 2017

SEC Adopts T+2 Settlement Cycle for Securities Transactions

2014

Broad industry support leads to the creation of the Industry Steering Committee Q1-2017

Firms complete internal build and commence industry testing Sept 5, 2017

T+2 implemented



Why T+2?

- > Reduce Risk
- > Reduce Liquidity Demands
- > Global Settlement Harmonization
- > Alignment with EU
- > Process improvements



Industry Preparation

1. Legal and Regulatory

- Industry Steering Committee established that meets regularly with regulators and providers to update the industry and progress
 - > Computershare has been an active member of this committee

2. <u>Development and Internal Testing</u>

- T+2 Industry Deloitte Playbook
 - > Identifying impacts and updating timing handoffs
- Computershare's plans operations and systems are on schedule to be fully prepared for the shift to T+2.

3. Industry Wide Testing

- Testing is critical to successful implementation of T+2
- Brokers testing with DTCC during industry wide testing

4. Implementation

- September 5, 2017



Industry Impact

- > Primary impact is on the Brokerage Community
- > Reviewed processes that could be impacted
 - Purchases
 - Sales
 - Dividends, Ex-Dividend Date
 - Corporate Actions
- > Resources
 - Utilize the industry documents: white paper, T+2 Playbook, industry test plans to assist firms' preparation
 - > <u>WWW.STAI.ORG</u>
 - > <u>WWW.UST2.COM</u>



Industry Changes Identified

> Potential System Changes

- Settlement Tables
- Funds Disbursement Files
- DTCC
- 3rd party Vendor Interfaces

> Documentation

- Issuer Plan Document
- Internal Procedures and Call Scripts
- External Output

> Behavior Changes

- Issuer and Brokers DWAC
- Timing of funding



Computershare Equity Plan

> Participant :

- Participant proceeds from option exercises or RSU Sell All Transaction will be released one day earlier
 - US Dollars: T+2 instead of T+3
 - > Proceeds issued via foreign currency will be issued to participants T+4 instead of T+5
 - Although not under regulation, RSU lapse processes/Share Withholding currently fall in line with T+2 timing
- Internal call center scripts and plan communications will be updated to reflect earlier settlement
- No change to timing of Transaction advices as they are triggered upon finalization of transaction

> Administration:

- Option cost and tax wires will be sent one day earlier to your payroll on T+2. These wires will be received later in the day than currently
- Any adjustments to transactions must be received from clients no later than T+1 by 10AM ET
- CPU will provide DWAC request to Transfer Agent (if CPU is not the TA) one day earlier
- No change to timing of Transaction Export information which is currently sent nightly on trade date for clients who receive this daily



Computershare Employee Stock Purchase Plan

> Participant :

- Open Market Share purchases will be settled 1 day earlier therefore shares will be available sooner
- Original Issuance Plans will continue to settle upon receipt of shares
- Participant proceeds for sales will be released one day earlier
 - US Dollars: T+2 instead of T+3
 - > Proceeds issued via foreign currency will be issued to participants T+4 instead of T+5
- Dividend Reinvestments on ESPP shares will be settled one day earlier
- Internal call center scripts and plan communications will be updated to reflect earlier settlement
- No change to timing of Transaction advices as they are triggered upon finalization of purchase or sale, not settlement

> Administration:

- CPU will provide DWAC request to Transfer Agent (if CPU is not the TA) one day earlier
- No change to process/timing of approval for Original Issuance Plans



Issuer Considerations

- > Begin internal and external discussions
 - What players and topics need to be included in conversations
 - > Payroll concerns (i.e. IRS deposit deadline)
 - > Treasury concerns (i.e. Dividend Ex-Dates)
- > Employee communications
 - Is this a good time for an educational push
 - Definitely a good time to review print or electronic educational materials that make mention of the settlement period
- > Automation and process improvements
 - "Wiggle Room" is going away!
 - Timely updates from business partners for HRIS and Payroll systems
 - Schedule reports to run automatically
 - Review of FMV rule



Questions



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