

MARKET NOTICE

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Subject: Negotiable/Transferable Instruments Conventions - Reporting of Stock Details

In its role as administrator of the BBSW benchmark rate the ASX is preparing to transition the primary calculation of the rate from a national best bid and best offer ("NBBO") methodology to that of a volume weighted average price ("VWAP"). In order for this to be effective a selling counterparty of prime bank paper will be required to report all secondary market trades that occur within the VWAP trade set window, but not through an approved trading venue, to a trade reporting agent: Refer Section 6.5 of the ASX BBSW Trade and Trade Reporting Guidelines.

Supporting ASX endeavours and in order to make this process as efficient as possible, effective 9 April 2018 AFMA's NTI Conventions ("the Conventions") have been amended to convey the requirement that the selling counterparty must advise the buying counterparty of details of all transactions dealt within the ASX window, and by not later than 10:10am AEST/AEDT. This reporting requirement will help to ensure that all eligible transactions are included in the BBSW VWAP calculation. Furthermore, and for any transaction dealt for settlement on the next business day, the Conventions now convey the expectation that the selling counterparty will advise the buying counterparty of all details by not later than 8:30am on the day of settlement. This earlier time (previously 8:50am) now coincides with the commencement of the VWAP trade set window. These reporting requirements can be found in Section 4.1 of the Conventions -Timing-Reporting of Stock Details.

Any queries in relation to this convention change should be directed to <u>Murray Regan</u>, Director Markets and Rates.

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