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	II.4-1	INFORMATION AND AUDITS

Pursuant to Sections 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 of the Clearing Rule Book.

CHAPTER 1 COMMUNICATION OF INFORMATION

Article 1

Information that can be requested by LCH SA from the Clearing Member, and/or, with respect to Clearing Members admitted as Sponsored Members, from their Agent Member, includes but is not limited to:

- Account opening agreements between the Clearing Member and its (Associated) Trading Members or Clients;
- Any agreement regarding provision of clearing and settlement services between the Clearing Member and its (Associated) Trading Members or Clients (including Clearing Agreements);
- Any document reflecting the recording of the Transactions in the different Position Accounts held by the Clearing Member (house, client, Trading Member, Market Maker) per Clearing Day;
- Any document regarding the management of Net Fails as issued by the system used by the Clearing Member;
- Any document regarding the management of corporate events as issued by the system used by the Clearing Member;
- Any document indicating the Clearing Member's risk management adequacy (cf: quality requirements as defined in Instruction II.2-2);
- Any document indicating the capacity of the Clearing Member's (Associated) Trading Members or Clients to fulfil their obligations, including but not limited to the Margin obligations (cf: records of collateral received);
- Any document regarding money laundering procedures.

Information that can be requested by LCH SA from the Agent Member, includes but is not limited to:

- Any document indicating the Agent Member's risk management adequacy (cf: quality requirements as defined in Instruction II.2-2);
- Any document indicating the capacity of the Agent Member's Sponsored Members to fulfil their obligations, including but not limited to the Margin obligations (cf: records of collateral received);
- Any information or document on the trading activities and Positions of the Agent Member's Sponsored Members;
- Any document regarding money laundering procedures.

Article 2

LCH SA has confidentiality obligations in accordance with the Admission Agreement. However, it can disclose any information obtained under this Instruction to Competent Authorities, National Treasury Agencies, the European Central Bank, or any relevant jurisdiction or arbitration court as appointed in the Admission Agreement, in accordance with Section 1.3.4 of the Clearing Rule Book.

LCH SA can also disclose this information to other exchanges or clearing houses in the context of exchange-of-information arrangements, as provided in Article 1.3.4.1 of the Clearing Rule Book, provided that these arrangements are bound by a confidentiality undertaking.

Article 3

When a Clearing Member or Agent Member does not disclose the information required by LCH SA, without justifying this refusal either by a mandatory provision of law or national regulation or by duly documented proof of its incapacity, despite its diligence, to obtain such documentation from its clients, LCH SA may consider this refusal as an Event of Default, as defined in the Clearing Rule Book or a failure by the Agent Member to comply with its obligations under the Clearing Rules). Accordingly, LCH SA can take any measure to reduce its risk, such as increasing the Margin obligations of this Clearing Member.

CHAPTER 2 AUDITS

Section 1 *Audits required by the Competent Authority(ies)*

Article 4

If LCH SA is mandated by one or more Competent Authorities to audit a Clearing Member or Agent Member, the audit will be conducted according to the rules applicable regarding this Competent Authority.

Section 2 *Audits at LCH SA's initiative*

Article 5

As soon as the Clearing Member or Agent Member has signed the Admission Agreement and until the agreement is terminated, LCH SA can audit the Clearing Member's clearing activities or Agent Member's activities.

Article 6

LCH SA contacts the legal representatives of the Clearing Member or Agent Member, by any means, to advise it that LCH SA wishes to audit it and, as the case may be, to state the third party to which it has delegated its audit, in accordance with the Clearing Rule Book.

In case LCH SA performs the audit itself or delegates it pursuant to Article 2.4.2.4 of the Clearing Rule Book it should advise the Clearing Member or Agent Member at least the Clearing Day preceding the audit.

When the Clearing Member subcontracts its clearing activities pursuant to Article 2.2.2.2 of the Clearing Rule Book, wholly or partially, the subcontractor must have undertaken to submit itself to LCH SA's audits in the same circumstances as those applicable to the Clearing Member, the latter will therefore take all necessary steps to inform the subcontractor of the audit.

Article 7

In case the audit is performed by external auditors, LCH SA must advise the Clearing Member or Agent Member at least three Clearing Days preceding the audit.

If the Clearing Member or Agent Member considers that there is a conflict of interest regarding one auditor as stated in Article 2.4.2.4 of the Clearing Rule Book, it will notify LCH SA, prior to the launching of the audit.

Such notification shall contain a description of the causes of such conflict of interest.

Article 8

On the date agreed on or imposed by LCH SA, the auditors will come to the relevant premises and remit to a legal representative of the Clearing Member or Agent Member the mandate by which they are empowered to carry out the audit, as well as a document proving their identity.

This mandate will contain the object of the audit, which can be either precise points or the global assessment of the Clearing Member's or Agent Member's fulfilment of its obligations under the Clearing Rule Book.

Once the mandate has been remitted, the audit starts.

Article 9

The Clearing Member or Agent Member will grant auditor(s) access to any of its premises or to any other premises where the clearing activities are carried out.

Auditor(s) can require, from any of the Clearing Member's or Agent Member's employees or persons acting for and/or on its behalf, for any document or information that it considers necessary to fulfil its task.

Auditor(s) can also ask to interview any of the Clearing Member's or Agent Member's employees or persons acting for and/or on its behalf.

The Clearing Member or Agent Member must give fair and helpful assistance to auditor(s).

Article 10

The Clearing Member or Agent Member and auditor(s) will meet regularly in order to follow the progress of the audit and to define the remaining points to be tackled.

The frequency of such meetings is determined by the Clearing Member or Agent Member.

The meetings will be held on the Clearing Member's or Agent Member's premises unless the parties agree otherwise.

The number of persons attending a meeting for each party shall not exceed eight, unless the parties agree otherwise.

Once all points have been discussed, LCH SA presents, during the last meeting, a draft audit report for review by the Clearing Member or Agent Member, who can make comments. Those comments will be attached to the audit report.

The audit report is descriptive only and does not contain recommendations.

Article 11

The final version of the report is given to the Clearing Member, within 10 Clearing Days of the last meeting referred to above, by letter with acknowledgement of receipt.

The Clearing Member or Agent Member will answer this report, within 10 Clearing Days of receiving it.

Article 12

Further to the answer to the report, a follow up audit can be organised by LCH SA.

Article 13

On the basis of an audit report, LCH SA can declare that the Clearing Member or Agent Member does not comply with the Clearing Rules and is therefore in default, or concerning a Special Clearing Member, that a Special Clearing Member Event has occurred, where applicable .

LCH SA will therefore take the appropriate measures as mentioned in Article 4.5.2.1 or 4.6.2.1 of the Clearing Rule Book.

The Clearing Member or Agent Member shall be informed of LCH SA's decision by letter with acknowledgement of receipt.