

cannot be determined at the time of the offering[;].

[(x)](f) [w]When proposed in connection with the distribution of a public offering of securities on a "firm commitment" basis, any over allotment option providing for the over allotment of more than [fifteen (15) percent] 15% of the amount of securities being offered, computed excluding any securities offered pursuant to the over allotment option[;].

[(xi) stock numerical limitation. The receipt by the underwriter and related persons of securities which constitute underwriting compensation in an aggregate amount greater than ten (10) percent of the number or dollar amount of securities being offered to the public, which is calculated to exclude:]

[a. any securities deemed to constitute underwriting compensation;]

[b. any securities issued pursuant to an over-allotment option;]

[c. in the case of a "best efforts" offering, any securities not actually sold; and]

[d. any securities underlying warrants, options, or convertible securities which are part of the proposed offering, except where acquired as part of a unit;]

[(xii)](K) [t]The receipt by a member or person associated with a member, pursuant to an agreement entered into at any time before or after the effective date of a public offering of warrants, options, convertible securities or units containing such securities, of any compensation or expense reimbursement in connection with the exercise or conversion of any such warrant, option, or convertible security in any of the following circumstances:

[a.](i) the market price of the security into which the warrant, option, or convertible security is exercisable or convertible is lower than the exercise or conversion price;

[b.](ii) the warrant, option, or convertible security is held in a discretionary account at the time of exercise or conversion, except where prior specific written approval for exercise or conversion is received from the customer;

[c.](iii) the arrangements whereby compensation is to be paid are not disclosed:

1.[a. in the prospectus or offering circular by which the warrants, options, or convertible securities are offered to the public, if such arrangements are contemplated or any agreement exists as to such arrangements at that time, and

2.[b. in the prospectus or offering circular provided to security holders at the time of exercise or conversion; or

[d.](iv) the exercise or conversion of the warrants, options or convertible securities is not solicited by the underwriter or related person, provided however, that any request for exercise or conversion will be presumed to be unsolicited unless the customer states in writing that the transaction was solicited and designates in writing the broker/dealer to receive compensation for the exercise or conversion[;].

[(xiii)](L) [f]For a member to participate with an issuer in the public distribution of a non-underwritten issue of securities if the issuer hires persons primarily for the purpose of distributing or assisting in the distribution of the issue, or for the purpose of assisting in any way in connection with the underwriting, except to the extent in compliance with 17 C.F.R. 240.3a4-1 and applicable state law.

[(xiv)](M) [f]For a member or person associated with a member to participate in a public offering of real estate investment trust securities, as defined in Rule 2340(c)(4), unless the trustee will disclose in each annual report distributed to investors pursuant Section 13(a) of the Act a per share estimated value of the trust securities, the method by which it was developed, and the date of the data used to develop the estimated value.

[(C) In the event that the underwriter and related persons receive securities deemed to be underwriting compensation in an amount constituting unfair and unreasonable compensation pursuant to the stock numerical limitation in subparagraph (B)(ix) above, the recipient shall return any excess securities to the issuer or the source from which received at cost and without recourse, except that in exceptional and unusual circumstances, upon good cause shown, a different arrangement may be permitted.]

[(7)](g) Lock-Up Restriction[s] on Securities

[(A) No member or person associated with a member shall participate in any public offering which does not comply with the following requirements:]

[(i) securities deemed to be underwriting compensation shall not be sold, transferred, assigned, pledged or hypothecated by any person, except as provided in subparagraph (B) below, for a period of (a) one year following the effective date of the offering. However, securities deemed to be underwriting compensation may be transferred to any member participating in the offering and the bona fide officers or partners thereof and securities which are convertible into other types of securities or which may be exercised for the purchase of other securities may be so transferred,

converted or exercised if all securities so transferred or received remain subject to the restrictions specified herein for the remainder of the initially applicable time period;]

[(ii) certificates or similar instruments representing securities restricted pursuant to subparagraph (i) above shall bear an appropriate legend describing the restriction and stating the time period for which the restriction is operative; and]

[(iii) securities to be received by a member as underwriting compensation shall only be issued to a member participating in the offering and the bona fide officers or partners thereof.]

(1) Lock-Up Restriction

In any public equity offering, other than a public equity offering by an issuer that can meet the requirements in subparagraphs (b)(7)(C)(i) or (ii) any common or preferred stock, options, warrants, and other equity securities of the issuer, including debt securities convertible to or exchangeable for equity securities of the issuer, that are unregistered and acquired by an underwriter and related person during 180 days prior to the required filing date, or acquired after the filing of the registration statement and deemed to be underwriting compensation by the NASD, and securities excluded from underwriting compensation pursuant to subparagraph (d)(5) above, shall not be sold during the offering, or sold, transferred, assigned, pledged, or hypothecated, or be the subject of any hedging, short sale, derivative, put, or call transaction that would result in the effective economic disposition of the securities by any person for a period of 180 days immediately following the date of effectiveness or commencement of sales of the public offering, except as provided in subparagraph (g)(2) below.

(2) Exceptions to Lock-Up Restriction

[(B) The provisions of subparagraph (A) notwithstanding:]

Notwithstanding subparagraph (g)(1) above, the following shall not be prohibited:

(A) the transfer of any security:

(i) by operation of law or by reason of reorganization of the issuer [shall not be prohibited.];

(ii) to any member participating in the offering and the officers or partners thereof, if all securities so transferred remain subject to the lock-up restriction in subparagraph (g)(1) above for the remainder of the time period;

[(C) Venture capital restrictions. When a member participates in the initial public offering of an issuer's securities, such member or any officer,