

 **CME Group** | Advisory Notice

TO: Clearing Member Firms
Chief Financial Officers
Back Office Managers

FROM: CME Clearing

Advisory #: 18-035

SUBJECT: Direct Acceptance of Corporate Bonds

DATE: January 24, 2018

Effective February 1, 2018, CME Clearing will be operationally ready to accept pledges of corporate bonds directly via CME's DTC accounts. This provides clearing members with another option to meet performance bond requirements with corporate bonds.

No changes are being made to the corporate bond acceptance criteria or concentration limit parameters, and clearing members can continue to pledge corporate bonds to CME Clearing through the three tri-party custodian banks: Bank of New York Mellon, Brown Brothers Harriman, and JPMorgan.

For an eligible CUSIP list, acceptance criteria, as well as information regarding limits and haircuts, please see the [Standard Acceptable Collateral and Resources website](#).

Please contact CME Clearing at 312-207-2594 or by email at chfin@cmegroup.com to obtain CME's DTC Pledgee account numbers or request further information.