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notice

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ATTENTION:
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FX Margin Surcharge

In reference to IDA Regulation 100.2(d) (v) (B) and (C), there is in place a monitoring mechanism whereby the volatility of all foreign currencies in Groups 1, 2 and 3 are monitored by the IDA on a daily basis. For any foreign currency in which its exchange rate volatility exceeds defined parameters, there is an automatic margin surcharge required to be effective for a minimum of 30 days from the date of a notice to members.

Based on the volatility of the CDN dollar exchange rates, effective immediately, the following spot risk margin rate(s) apply until further notice:

- **Argentina Peso – 16.0%**
- **U.S. Dollar – 1.4%**

The following national currencies have been replaced by the Euro:

Austria Schilling, Belgium Franc, Finland Markka, France Franc, Germany Mark, Greece Drachma, Ireland Punt, Italy Lira, Luxembourg Franc, Netherlands Guilder, Portugal Escudo, Spain Peseta.

Attached is the foreign exchange *Margin Violation Summary Report* as at February 28, 2002 listing all currencies presently in Groups 1- 3. The IDA monitors the volatility of all Group 1, 2 and 3 foreign currencies and issues a notice when there is any change in status.

For reference purposes, the preceding foreign exchange margin violation notice to Members was MR-127 dated February 6, 2002.