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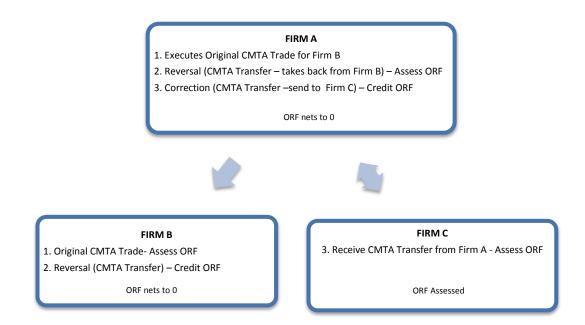
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SUBJECT: CMTA TRANSFER – OPTIONS REGULATORY FEE INDICATOR

OCC has recently received an increased number of inquiries regarding the Options Regulatory Fee (ORF) indicator that appears on the CMTA Transfer screen and on CMTA FIXML messages. This memo is being published to ensure that all clearing members understand and are using the indicator as it was intended. The ORF indicator is used when an executing firm is reversing an incorrect CMTA Trade/Transfer so the incorrect firm is not charged the ORF fee. Please see an example below:

- 1. Firm A executes a CMTA trade that automatically clears in Firms B's account. Firm B incurs the ORF fee on this transaction. Firm A realizes the CMTA trade should have been given up to Firm C.
- 2. Firm A executes a CMTA Transfer moving the position from Firm B to Firm A and checks the ORF indicator. Since the ORF indicator was checked, Firm B will be credited the ORF fee and Firm A will incur the ORF fee.
- 3. Firm A then CMTA Transfers the position to Firm C without checking the ORF indicator. Firm C will then incur the ORF fee and Firm A will have the ORF reduced.



As a reminder, ORF is calculated by the exchanges. If you any questions on your firm's ORF calculation, please reach out to the exchange.

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