

Meeting of TBA Guidelines Steering Committee
March 28, 2018 4:00 PM EDT
Minutes

1. Proposed changes GSE MBS/CRT structure

Chris Killian provided a history of this topic to the group, including that a broad working group of trading and legal members had discussed these issues over the last year, and engaged in an iterative dialog with the GSEs. The GSEs provided FAQ to the working group along with legal documents. SIFMA engaged counsel from Cleary Gottlieb to review the material produced by the GSEs. The group reviewed the memo produced by Cleary Gottlieb, and briefly discussed the conclusions of counsel. The group agreed to vote on the issuance of this statement: *“Based on the information we have been provided and the discussions we’ve had with representatives of the GSEs, we have not identified any issues that would impair the TBA eligibility of MBS under this new structure. This statement is conditioned upon: (1) receipt of final documentation that is not materially different from the drafts we have been provided, and (2) that there is no negative outcome from any further discussions among the GSEs and the IRS or Treasury.”*

2. Amendments to UP Chapter 7 dealing with emergency procedures for pool notification extension during times of FICC system issues

Chris Killian provided an overview of the proposed changes to Chapter 7 to the group, highlighting the changes are intended to scope in a wider variety of system issues that may impact pool notification. The group agreed to vote on these changes.

3. Discussion of meeting schedule of this group

The group discuss, and agreed, that it may be useful to have more frequent meetings of this group.