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3. IMPLEMENTING THE SENTENCE OF A FINE

§8C3.1. Imposing a Fine

- (a) Except to the extent restricted by the maximum fine authorized by statute or any minimum fine required by statute, the fine or fine range shall be that determined under §8C1.1 (Determining the Fine – Criminal Purpose Organizations); §8C2.7 (Guideline Fine Range – Organizations) and §8C2.9 (Disgorgement); or §8C2.10 (Determining the Fine for Other Counts), as appropriate.
- (b) Where the minimum guideline fine is greater than the maximum fine authorized by statute, the maximum fine authorized by statute shall be the guideline fine.
- (c) Where the maximum guideline fine is less than a minimum fine required by statute, the minimum fine required by statute shall be the guideline fine.

Commentary

Background: This section sets forth the interaction of the fines or fine ranges determined under this chapter with the maximum fine authorized by statute and any minimum fine required by statute for the count or counts of conviction. The general statutory provisions governing a sentence of a fine are set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3571.

When the organization is convicted of multiple counts, the maximum fine authorized by statute may increase. For example, in the case of an organization convicted of three felony counts related to a \$200,000 fraud, the maximum fine authorized by statute will be \$500,000 on each count, for an aggregate maximum authorized fine of \$1,500,000.

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§8C3.2. Payment of the Fine – Organizations

- (a) If the defendant operated primarily for a criminal purpose or primarily by criminal means, immediate payment of the fine shall be required.