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[Digital Dividend](https://www.overstock.com/dividend) FAQ link (Overstock example)

I think, with [nft.gamestop.com](https://nft.gamestop.com), GME is developing a NFT Marketplace.

\*Caveat: I do not think it is likely this is ready and going to be announced for September earnings, but it is eventually coming.\*

\*\*The NFT Marketplace has 3 main stakeholders:\*\*

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\*\*POWER TO THE PLAYERS:\*\* The NFT Marketplace will replace/augment the Power Up Rewards membership program for RETAIL CUSTOMERS. While shopping you may collect points used to collect NFT Tokens issued by Game Developers and other Creators. You can trade and collect these.

\*\*POWER TO THE CREATORS:\*\* The NFT Marketplace will allow for game developers AND out of game content developers to create NFTs that can be traded and collected. This is a huge new micro-transaction concept that will revolutionize game/digital content ownership and allow for a new generation of gamers to participate in digital trading/collecting no different than we did with Pokemon Cards.

\*\*POWER TO THE COLLECTORS:\*\* IMO this is a subtle reference to shareholders. The NFT Marketplace will also have distributions to the ultimate collectors of GME, whom are the shareholders. Shareholders will not only be entitled to cash dividends (eventually) but also unique digital collectible assets. I see no better way to launch the marketplace than with a rare distribution to shareholders on record (\~70,000,000 unique NFT tokens) which will instantly have huge demand since... naked shorts need them...

While trying to wrap my head around all this I could not quite understand \*\*HOW an NFT/Digital Dividend might make it's way to my brokerage account,\*\* so I found these FAQ's on Overstocks Digital Distribution which answer and allay all my fears!

Fun fact but Overstock Transfer Agent is Computershare, and so is GME... so we know they can handle/execute digital distributions no problem.

Again, I do not know when GME will do this and they won't do it until it's totally ready... But I think they will inevitably do it. I would like to remind everyone you do not get your dividend if you are share lending and you may not get it if you are on a margin account. After IBKR changed all the margin requirements on the fly back in January I switched my account to cash only and confirmed I have beneficiary ownership over my stock and any entitlements.

Try to imagine what happens when \~70,000,000 digital tokens are distributed from Computer Share to DTC and member brokers with net GME shares, beneficiary held for their clients, when there are some 250,000,000 investors claiming to own shares?

The Overstock announcement was originally April 6th, 2020 and record date was April 27th, 2020... This means there would likely be a frenzy to close any naked short positions for over 21 days (3 weeks). If you're not closed voluntarily the broker-dealer MUST buy you in since they can not issue a Payment In Lieu of.

I did email IBKR about receiving a non-monetary dividend and they could only tell me about Payment in Lieu of which did make me quite nervous but I think they just didn't quite understand what I was asking.

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## **ELIGIBILITY**

\*\*Q: Am I eligible to receive the Dividend?\*\*

A: If you are a shareholder of record, or a shareholder holding directly or indirectly through DTC, as of the Record Date (April 27, 2020) and own ten or more shares of common stock, Series A-1 or Voting Series B Preferred Stock ("Series B"), you will be eligible to receive the Dividend based on the number of shares of that class owned on the Record Date.

\*\*Q: Do I need to have a digital wallet or must I be familiar with blockchain technology in order to receive the Dividend?\*\*

A: No. The Series A-1 Shares are not a virtual currency or another form of anonymous bearer digital instrument. The Series A-1 Shares are conventional uncertificated securities for which a "courtesy carbon copy" of certain transfer agent records are maintained on the blockchain. The courtesy carbon copy does not play any corporate or regulatory role. Rather, the traditional books and records kept by Computershare, an SEC-regulated transfer agent govern the record ownership of Series A-1 Shares. Moreover, distributed ledger technology does not play a role in the sale, issuance, transfer or custody of the Series A-1.

\*\*Q: Is this Dividend a taxable distribution?\*\*

A: No. We expect the Dividend will not be taxable for federal income tax purposes. Please see [Form 8937](https://ak1.ostkcdn.com/img/mxc/Final\_Signed\_Form\_8937\_and\_Attachment%20\_5272020.pdf) for more details.

## ### RECEIPT INFORMATION

\*\*Q: How do I receive the Dividend?\*\*

A: Investors are not required to take any action in order to receive the Dividend. On the Payment Date, investors should see their Series A-1 Shares reflected in their brokerage or other custodial accounts in which they hold their Overstock securities.

\*\*Q: What happens if I do nothing?\*\*

A: Investors are not required to take any action in order to receive their Series A-1 Shares As mentioned above, on the Payment Date, investors should see their Series A-1 Shares reflected in their brokerage or other custodial accounts in which they hold their Overstock securities.

### ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

\*\*Q: What is the process for Canadian investors to receive the Dividend?\*\*

A: If you hold Overstock securities through a broker-dealer, bank, or other financial institution, the Dividend will be deposited to the same account that holds your Overstock securities. If you are a record holder of Overstock securities, Computershare will recognize you as the owner of the Series A-1 Shares directly on the share register it maintains for Overstock. Please note that Canadian investors are not eligible to open an account at Dinosaur Financial or ChoiceTrade, but we are working to onboard additional Subscribers that will be able to accommodate Canadian investors.

\*\*Q: Will the Dividend be payable in U.S. dollars or in cryptocurrency?\*\*

A: Neither. The Dividend is a stock dividend, and the stock to be issued in the Dividend will be uncertificated securities. The stock to be paid in the Dividend is not cryptocurrency. Please note that shareholders will not be required to pay any consideration in order to receive the Series A-1 Shares. However, as mentioned above, cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares.