MAS NOTICE 636 (AMENDMENT) 2021

Issued on: 28 June 2021

NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

Introduction

- 1 For presentational purposes, the amendments in this document are compared against the version of MAS Notice 636 dated 1 March 2004 and last revised on 25 May 2004.
- 2 This document shall be interpreted as follows:
 - (a) Text which is coloured and struck through represents deletion which will not appear in the untracked version of MAS Notice 636 last revised on 28 June 2021 which is published on MAS' website www.mas.gov.sg ("Published Version"); and
 - (b) Text which is coloured and underlined represents insertion which will appear in the Published Version.
- The amendments reflected in this document shall take effect on 1 July 2021.
- 4 This document is to be used for reference only. In the event of discrepancies between the amendments in this document and the Published Version, the Published Version shall prevail.

MAS NOTICE 636

1 March 2004 Last revised on <u>28 June 2021</u>25 May 2004*

NOTICE TO BANKS BANKING ACT, CAP 19

NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS

This Notice is issued pursuant to section 55(1) of the Banking Act (Cap. 19) ["the Act"] and deals with issues related relates to the issuance and safekeeping of negotiable certificates of deposits ("NCDs") and bearer securities.

2. This Notice applies to any bank which all banks in Singapore that issues, or act as an authorised depository for, NCDs or bearer securities.

Definitions

In this Notice___

"NCD" means negotiable certificate of deposits;

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"securities" has the same meaning as in section 2(1) of the Securities and Futures Act (Cap. 286).

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4. The expressions used in this Notice shall, except where expressly defined in this Notice or where the context otherwise requires, have the same respective meanings as in the Act.

Issuance of NCDs denominated in Singapore Dollar

5. <u>A bank¹ When</u> issuing an NCDs that are denominated in Singapore Dollars ("Singapore Dollar NCDs"), a bank shall issue Singapore Dollar NCDs must do so in minimum denominations of S\$100,000. To avoid any doubt, where a bank issues an NCD denominated in a foreign currency, the minimum denomination will be the foreign currency equivalent of S\$100,000.

[MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2004]

6. For the avoidance of doubt, any wholesale or offshore bank shall comply with the Guidelines for Operation of Wholesale Banks or Guidelines for Operation of Offshore Banks, as the case may be, when it issues Singapore Dollar NCDs.

[deleted by MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2021]

¹ Wholesale banks should also refer to the Guidelines for Operation of Wholesale Banks on the conditions for the issuing bonds and NCDs in Singapore.

Issuance of NCDs denominated in Foreign Currencies

7. When issuing NCDs which are denominated in foreign currencies, a bank shall issue NCDs which are denominated in foreign currencies in minimum denominations of the foreign currency equivalent of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ \$

[MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2004] [deleted by MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2021]

Authorised Depositories

8. A bank <u>must_shall</u> lodge every NCD and bearer security <u>which_that</u> it issues with an<u>y of the following</u> authorised depository for safekeeping. The following persons are "authorised depositories" for the purposes of this Notice:

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(a) any bank in Singapore;

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(b) any merchant bank in Singapore approved under section 28 of the Monetary Authority of Singapore Act (Cap. 186);

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- (c) the Depository as defined in section <u>130A81SF</u> of the <u>Securities and Futures Companies Act;</u>
 [MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2021]
- (d) any depository under the Euroclear system operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. ("Euroclear");

 [MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2021]
- (e) any depository under the Clearstream system operated by Clearstream International S.A. or its subsidiaries ("Clearstream");

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- (f) any other depository as the Authority may approve.
- 9. This Notice shall take effect on 1 March 2004.
- *Notes on History of Amendments
- 1. MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2004 with effect from 25 May 2004.
- 2. MAS Notice 636 (Amendment) 2021 dated 28 June 2021 with effect from 1 July 2021.