

RBCCM Europe Costs & Charges Disclosures

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RBC Capital Markets

Scope

This document outlines the range of costs and associated charges for the investment and/or ancillary services provided to you by the Capital Markets divisions of RBC Capital Markets (Europe) GmbH, RBC Europe Limited, and the London and Paris branches of Royal Bank of Canada (together referred to as "RBCCM", "we" or "us").

Please note that RBCCM does not under any circumstances provide investment advice or portfolio management services to you, and RBCCM does not provide any services to retail clients. Where you are dealing with a Royal Bank of Canada division other than RBCCM, please refer to the costs and charges information supplied by such division.

RBCCM may act in different capacities and trade in different markets and transactional scenarios. Therefore, you may be charged in different ways for different products or services you receive.

For more information concerning RBCCM's costs and charges, please refer to the relevant fee schedules or product documentation which we have provided to you or made available to you. Should you have any questions concerning this disclosure or require additional information in relation to a particular service or transaction, please contact your usual RBCCM representative.

Ex-ante disclosure

RBCCM may be required to provide clients with information concerning costs and associated charges in good time before providing any investment and/or ancillary services. However, the amount of information that needs to be provided depends on a number of factors.

The costs and associated charges that RBCCM may charge you are summarised below.

A. Transaction-related costs and charges

For transactions which you execute with or through RBCCM, the costs and associated charges will depend on some or all of the following principles. The actual costs that you are charged may vary depending on other factors that we consider are relevant to the circumstances of the transaction.

- ***Commissions and fees***

Where RBCCM executes orders on your behalf, or provides access to specific liquidity pools, you may be charged commission or fee on the transaction. Commissions and fees are agreed with you at the initiation of our relationship and set out in the applicable fee schedule and rate card. These may be amended from time to time.

- ***Fees specific to certain products or transactions***

Additional product specific fees may be agreed with you for certain products or transactions. Information on such fees will be provided in product specific documentation including term sheets.

- *Taxes and Levies*

Taxes and levies may also be payable in accordance with the rates set by the relevant tax, regulatory, administrative or government authorities at the time of the transaction. RBCCM does not provide any financial, legal or tax advice to you. You should seek your own independent advice.

Unless agreed otherwise with you, RBCCM shall not be liable to pay any taxes or levies on your behalf in relation to any transaction.

- *FX conversions*

If your transaction involves an FX conversion, currency exchange costs may apply which will be determined by factors such as the prevailing exchange rates applicable to your transaction.

- *Distribution costs*

Third parties may charge fees in relation to distribution services.

- *Spread*

Where you request RBCCM to provide you with a quote or where RBCCM is trading with you as principal (e.g. as a systematic internaliser, market maker or liquidity provider), the price of any transaction we execute with you may include a spread. This spread reflects the risk price at which RBCCM is willing to trade that instrument with you.

The spread will depend on a number of factors which may include those set out below. This list is not exhaustive and RBCCM may take into account other relevant factors.

- (a) The type of product, transaction and market in which the product would be traded, such as:
 - (i) availability of external venues or platforms;
 - (ii) the trading venue, together with its transparency and market conditions (e.g. volatility and time of execution);
 - (iii) the type of instruction or order and the degree of risk to which RBCCM would be exposed;
 - (iv) the size, type and direction of the transaction;
 - (v) the liquidity of the instrument; and
 - (vi) the accessibility of third party quotations and other pricing information.
- (b) internal costs to RBCCM (e.g. counterparty credit risk, market risk, hedging, structuring, funding, and capital costs);
- (c) client-specific factors (e.g. collateral arrangements and credit quality); and

- (d) applicable regulatory requirements, exchange rules and standards.

B. Costs related to ancillary services or other related services

If ancillary services or other services will be provided to you (e.g. research services, clearing, custody and settlement, prime brokerage services), RBCCM may charge you such fees as agreed with you at the initiation of our relationship or prior to the provision of such services, and as such fees may be amended from time to time.

C. Third-party payments

RBCCM does not generally receive payments from third parties in relation to transactions that it has carried out with or for you.

Where RBCCM pays or receives monetary or non-monetary amounts or benefits in relation to your transaction, RBCCM would disclose the existence, nature, and amount of such payments or benefits separately to you insofar and in such manner as required by applicable regulations.

Ex-post disclosure

In relation to the regulatory requirement to provide annual ex-post information to clients, we apply all relevant costs and charges at the time of execution, and no additional costs or charges are added or taken following the transaction.

RBCCM does not believe that it has, for the purposes of the relevant regulations, an ongoing relationship with clients in respect of each transaction undertaken, as RBCCM only provides an investment service to its clients. As such, RBCCM will not provide clients with any annual ex-post information detailing costs and charges on the basis that such annual statement would only show a cost or charge of “zero”. Should this situation change to the extent that the “zero” amount would no longer apply, RBCCM will review its position to ensure it is in compliance with all relevant requirements.