



Attn: Trading and Market Making/Legal and Compliance/Operations/Systems
UNIFORM PRACTICE ADVISORY (UPC # 159-2003) October 1, 2003

Columbus Day: Trade Date – Settlement Date Schedule

The schedule of trade dates-settlement dates below reflects the observance by the financial community of Columbus Day, Monday, October 13, 2003. On this day, The NASDAQ Stock Market and the securities exchanges will be open for trading. However, it will not be a settlement date because many of the nation's banking institutions will be closed.

Trade Date	Settlement Date	Reg. T Date*
Oct. 7	Oct. 10	Oct. 14
8	14	15
9	15	16
10	16	17
13	16	20
14	17	21

Note: October 13, 2003, is considered a business day for receiving customers' payments under Regulation T of the Federal Reserve Board.

Transactions made on Monday, October 13, will be combined with transactions made on the previous business day, October 10, for settlement on October 16. Securities will not be quoted ex-dividend, and settlements, marks to the market, reclamations, and buy-ins and sell-outs, as provided in the Uniform Practice Code, will not be made and/or exercised on October 13.

Brokers, dealers, and municipal securities dealers should use the foregoing settlement dates for purposes of clearing and settling transactions pursuant to the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD®) Uniform Practice Code.

Questions regarding the application of those settlement dates to a particular situation may be directed to the Market Integrity Department at (203) 375-9609.

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* Pursuant to Sections 220.8(b)(1) and (4) of Regulation T of the Federal Reserve Board, a broker/dealer must promptly cancel or otherwise liquidate a customer purchase transaction in a cash account if full payment is not received within five business days of the date of purchase or, pursuant to Section 220.8(d)(1), make application to extend the time period specified. The date by which members must take such action is shown in the column titled "Reg. T Date."