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TRANSACTION PROCESSING LICENSE



At Thomson Reuters we're committed to helping our customers reduce costs and simplify the management of information. As part of this commitment we are extending the way we license the Reuters Instrument Code (RIC), making it easier for the market to use Thomson Reuters symbology in the integration, management and distribution of data.

The RIC symbol is a structured and human-readable market-level security identifier, developed and maintained by Thomson Reuters and used extensively by our clients for over 30 years. It is widely used across equities, fixed income, commodities, foreign exchange and money markets as an identifier of both instruments and derivatives.

The ability to consistently and reliably identify securities is a growing challenge for a financial industry faced with increased regulation, fragmented global markets and a proliferation of new instruments and trading venues.

The new Transaction Processing License (TPL) empowers the market to trade using the RIC. Using the RIC as a consistent security identifier can facilitate and streamline interactions along the trade workflow by driving efficiency, reducing errors and improving straight-through processing.

This supports interoperability between market participants and provides the means to consistently identify securities throughout the trade lifecycle.

SIMPLIFYING TRANSACTIONS PROCESSING

MORE COMPLEXITY, NEW OPPORTUNITIES

New regulations have increased the burden of risk management and trade reporting. Unprecedented pressure on costs is forcing financial institutions to address high trade-failure rates and inefficient communications with partners in the trade workflow.

At the same time, turbulent market conditions mean that trade volumes are down and there is greater competition for order flow so firms are looking for ways to make it easier for customers to do business with them.

LICENCE SUMMARY

- The Transaction Processing License allows a firm to use and distribute the RIC as an identifier of any information in the following trade workflow activities: advertisement of tradable securities, order indication, trade management, execution, allocation, settlement and clearing.
- Once a RIC has been distributed by a Transaction Processing License holder to a party in the trade workflow, the recipient is then free to use the RIC as part of its trade workflow activities with the license holder.
- The Transaction Processing License is available to all market participants who wish to trade using the RIC.

TOP 5 REASONS TO USE THE RIC

1 STRUCTURED AND HUMAN-READABLE SECURITY IDENTIFIER

RIC symbols have a logical construction, making it easy for people to read, understand, and remember codes they use regularly.

2 COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE

The RIC symbology provides comprehensive coverage of a wide range of instruments and derivatives including equities, fixed income, commodities, FX, and money markets.

3 LONG HISTORY OF ADOPTION

The RIC symbol is a well-established security identifier used extensively by Thomson Reuters customers.

4 IDENTIFIES MARKET AND SECURITY

RIC symbols provide both security and market-level information.

5 INTEGRATED WITH THOMSON REUTERS CONTENT SETS

RIC symbols can be used as navigators to other content such as Legal Entity, Industry Classifications, Ratings and Fundamentals.

DELIVERING VALUE

IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND STP RATES USING THE RIC

Using the RIC as a consistent identifier along pre-trade, trade and post trade workflow can help to improve efficiency, reduce errors and increase STP rates.

EASE THE BURDEN OF TRADE REPORTING

Tagging all trade-related data with a RIC ensures consistent and accurate identification of trade instructions, entities, and counterparty information. This can significantly reduce the work associated with external trade reporting, especially when combined with a cross-reference service.

COMMUNICATE WITH PARTNERS USING ONE IDENTIFIER SCHEME

Using the RIC to consistently identify securities with Custodians, Fund Administrators and Prime Brokers can lower trade processing costs by improving accuracy and making it easier to correct errors when they do occur.

ATTRACT ORDER FLOW FROM MORE CUSTOMERS

When sell-side firms use the RIC to advertise liquidity (publishing a stock list, or sending an IOI) it makes it simpler for buy-side firms to place orders; potentially attracting order-flow from a wider range of customers.

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