

**FINANCIAL INDUSTRY REGULATORY AUTHORITY
LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER AND CONSENT
NO. 20090182565-01**

TO: Department of Market Regulation
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA")

RE: Citadel Securities LLC, Respondent
Broker-Dealer
CRD No. 116797

Pursuant to FINRA Rule 9216 of FINRA's Code of Procedure, Citadel Securities LLC ("CDRG" or the "firm") submits this Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent ("AWC") for the purpose of proposing a settlement of the alleged rule violations described below. This AWC is submitted on the condition that, if accepted, FINRA will not bring any future actions against the firm alleging violations based on the same factual findings described herein.

I.

ACCEPTANCE AND CONSENT

- A. The firm hereby accepts and consents, without admitting or denying the findings, and solely for the purposes of this proceeding and any other proceeding brought by or on behalf of FINRA, or to which FINRA is a party, prior to a hearing and without an adjudication of any issue of law or fact, to the entry of the following findings by FINRA:

BACKGROUND

CDRG has been a member of FINRA since February 25, 2005 and its registration remains in effect.

RELEVANT DISCIPLINARY HISTORY

The firm has no relevant disciplinary history.

FACTS AND VIOLATIVE CONDUCT

In Market Regulation Review No. 20090182565, Market Regulation staff conducted a review of CDRG's compliance with SEC Rule 204T for the period January 1, 2009 through February 28, 2009.

1. Beginning on December 26, 2008 and continuing through February 2, 2009, in 14 instances involving four equity securities, as reflected on Exhibit A, the firm had a fail-to-deliver position at a registered clearing agency that was attributable to market making activities, and did not close out the fail-to-deliver position by purchasing securities of like kind and quantity within the time frame prescribed by SEC Rule 204T(a)(3). The conduct described in this paragraph constitutes separate and distinct violations of SEC Rule 204T(a)(3).
2. Between December 26, 2008 and February 2, 2009, in 49 instances involving two equity securities, as reflected on Exhibit B, the firm accepted a short sale order from another person, or effected a short sale for its own account, without first borrowing the security, or entering into a bona-fide arrangement to borrow the security, and had a fail-to-deliver position at a registered clearing agency in such security that had not been closed out in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of SEC Rule 204T. The conduct described in this paragraph constitutes separate and distinct violations of SEC Rule 204T(b) of Regulation SHO.
3. Between January 1, 2009 and February 28, 2009, the firm's supervisory system did not provide for supervision reasonably designed to achieve compliance with respect to the applicable securities laws and regulations, and the Rules of FINRA, concerning SEC Rules 203(a) (long sales), 203(b)(1) (locate requirement), and 203(b)(3) (threshold closeout requirement). Specifically, the firm's supervisory system did not include written supervisory procedures providing for: (1) the identification of the person(s) responsible for supervision with respect to the applicable rules; (2) a statement of the supervisory step(s) to be taken by the identified person(s); (3) a statement as to how often such person(s) should take such step(s); and (4) a statement as to how the completion of the step(s) included in the written supervisory procedures should be documented. The conduct described in this paragraph constitutes violations of FINRA Rule 2010 and NASD Rule 3010.

B. The firm also consents to the imposition, at a maximum, of the following sanctions:

A censure and fine of \$50,000 (consisting of \$30,000 for violations of SEC Rule 204T(a)(3), \$15,000 for violations of SEC Rule 204T(b), and \$5,000 for violations of FINRA Rule 2010 and NASD Rule 3010); and an **undertaking to revise the firm's written supervisory procedures** with respect to the areas described in paragraph I.A. 3 above. Within 30 business days of acceptance of this AWC by the National Adjudicatory Council ("NAC"), a registered principal of the Respondent shall submit to the **COMPLIANCE ASSISTANT, LEGAL SECTION, MARKET REGULATION DEPARTMENT, 9509 KEY WEST AVENUE, ROCKVILLE, MD 20850**, a signed, dated letter, or an e-mail from a work-related account of the registered principal to MarketRegulationComp@finra.org, providing the following information: (1) a reference to this matter; (2) a representation that the firm has revised its written supervisory procedures to address the deficiencies described in paragraph I.A.3; and, (3) the date the revised procedures were implemented.

The firm agrees to pay the monetary sanctions upon notice that this AWC has been accepted and that such payments are due and payable. It has submitted an Election of Payment form showing the method by which it proposes to pay the fine imposed.

The firm specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim that it is unable to pay, now or at any time hereafter, the monetary sanction(s) imposed in this matter.

The sanctions imposed herein shall be effective on a date set by FINRA staff.

II.

WAIVER OF PROCEDURAL RIGHTS

The firm specifically and voluntarily waives the following rights granted under FINRA's Code of Procedure:

- A. To have a Complaint issued specifying the allegations against the firm;
- B. To be notified of the Complaint and have the opportunity to answer the allegations in writing;
- C. To defend against the allegations in a disciplinary hearing before a hearing panel, to have a written record of the hearing made and to have a written decision issued; and
- D. To appeal any such decision to the NAC and then to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and a U.S. Court of Appeals.

Further, the firm specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim bias or prejudgment of the General Counsel, the NAC, or any member of the NAC, in connection with such person's or body's participation in discussions regarding the terms and conditions of this AWC, or other consideration of this AWC, including acceptance or rejection of this AWC.

The firm further specifically and voluntarily waives any right to claim that a person violated the ex parte prohibitions of FINRA Rule 9143 or the separation of functions prohibitions of FINRA Rule 9144, in connection with such person's or body's participation in discussions regarding the terms and conditions of this AWC, or other consideration of this AWC, including its acceptance or rejection.

III.

OTHER MATTERS

The firm understands that:

- A. Submission of this AWC is voluntary and will not resolve this matter unless and until it has been reviewed and accepted by the NAC, a Review Subcommittee of the NAC, or the Office of Disciplinary Affairs ("ODA"), pursuant to FINRA Rule 9216;
- B. If this AWC is not accepted, its submission will not be used as evidence to prove any of the allegations against the firm; and
- C. If accepted:
 - 1. this AWC will become part of the firm's permanent disciplinary record and may be considered in any future actions brought by FINRA or any other regulator against the firm;
 - 2. this AWC will be made available through FINRA's public disclosure program in response to public inquiries about the firm's disciplinary record;
 - 3. FINRA may make a public announcement concerning this agreement and the subject matter thereof in accordance with FINRA Rule 8313; and
 - 4. The firm may not take any action or make or permit to be made any public statement, including in regulatory filings or otherwise, denying, directly or indirectly, any finding in this AWC or create the impression that the AWC is without factual basis. The firm may not take any position in any proceeding brought by or on behalf of FINRA, or to which FINRA is a party, that is inconsistent with any part of this AWC. Nothing in this provision affects the firm's (i) testimonial obligations; or (ii) right to take legal or factual positions in litigation or other legal proceedings in which FINRA is not a party.

- D. The firm may attach a Corrective Action Statement to this AWC that is a statement of demonstrable corrective steps taken to prevent future misconduct. The firm understands that it may not deny the charges or make any statement that is inconsistent with the AWC in this Statement. This Statement does not constitute factual or legal findings by FINRA, nor does it reflect the views of FINRA or its staff:

The undersigned, on behalf of the firm, certifies that a person duly authorized to act on its behalf has read and understands all of the provisions of this AWC and has been given a full opportunity to ask questions about it; that it has agreed to the AWC's provisions voluntarily; and that no offer, threat, inducement, or promise of any kind, other than the terms set forth herein and the prospect of avoiding the issuance of a Complaint, has been made to induce the firm to submit it.

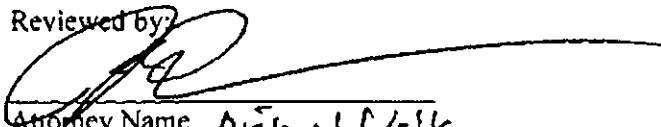
April 25, 2013
Date

Respondent
Citadel Securities LLC

By: 

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Authorized Signatory

Title: _____

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Accepted by FINRA:

5/28/13
Date

Signed on behalf of the
Director of ODA, by delegated authority


Thomas R. Gira
Executive Vice President
Department of Market Regulation

Exhibit A**Citadel Securities LLC
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204T(a)(3) Violations	Security	Close-Out Period	Number of Settlement Days to Close-Out	Average Fail Not Closed-Out
1	REFR	1/13/09 - 1/30/09	13	121
2	REFR	1/15/09 - 1/30/09	11	100
3	REFR	1/16/09 - 1/30/09	10	300
4	REFR	1/22/09 - 1/30/09	7	200
5	REFR	1/23/09 - 1/30/09	6	300
6	REFR	1/26/09 - 1/30/09	5	400
7	REFR	1/29/09 - 1/30/09	2	423
8	IMR	12/26/08 - 1/16/09	15	4,459
9	IMR	12/30/08 - 1/16/09	13	100
10	IMR	1/6/09 - 1/16/09	9	1,600
11	IMR	1/12/09 - 1/16/09	5	100
12	IMR	1/13/09 - 1/16/09	4	200
13	EEEEI	1/12/09 - 2/2/09	15	995
14	XING	1/12/09 - 2/2/09	15	995

Exhibit B**Citadel Securities LLC
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204T(b) Violations	Security	Close-Out Period	Number of Settlement Days to Close-Out	No. of Proprietary Short Sales Effected
	IMR	12/26/08 - 1/16/09	15	31
	XING	1/12/09 - 2/2/09	5	18