Finansinspektionen's Regulatory Code

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Regulations amending Finansinspektionen's regulations (FFFS 2007:16) governing investment services and activities;

decided 21 December 2016.

Finansinspektionen prescribes pursuant to Chapter 6, section 1, points 11 and 18 of the Securities Market Ordinance (2007:572) in respect of Finansinspektionen's regulations (FFFS 2007:16) regarding investment services and activities that Chapter 8, sections 1 and 1a and Chapter 11, section 9 shall have the following wording.

Chapter 8

Section 1 A securities institution shall have guidelines and procedures for personal transactions. The guidelines shall be adopted by the board and apply for a relevant person who

- 1. 1. is involved in operations that can give rise to a conflict of interest, or
- 2. has access to insider information pursuant to Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse (Market Abuse Regulation) and repealing Directive 2003/6/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Directives 2003/124/EC, 2003/125/EC and 2004/72/EC, or other confidential information relating to clients of the securities institution's operations.

Section 1a The guidelines and procedures shall be current and appropriate with the purpose of preventing

- 1. the relevant person from entering into a personal transaction which
- a) violates Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council,
- b) entails the misuse or improper disclosure of confidential information, or
- c) conflicts, or could be in conflict, with the securities institution's obligations under the Securities Market Act,
- 2. a relevant person, other than within the scope of his or her employment or contract for services, from advising or influencing another person to enter into a transaction in financial instruments which, if it regards a personal transaction of the relevant person, is covered by
- a) point 1,
- b) Chapter 11, section 11, points 1 or 2, or
- c) Chapter 20, section 4, and

- 3. a relevant person, regardless of what is laid down in Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, other than within the scope of their employment or contract for services, from disclosing information or positions to a third person if the relevant person is aware, or reasonably should be aware, that the other person, as a result of the disclosure, will or probably would
- a) enter into a transaction in financial instruments which, if relating to a personal transaction of the relevant person, would be such a transaction as referred to in points 1, 2b or c in this provision, or
- b) advise or influence another person to enter into such a transaction.

Chapter 11

9 § A recommendation of the type covered by Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council, but that refers to financial instruments in accordance with the definition laid down in the Securities Market Act (2007:528) and does not meet the requirements set out in section 8, shall be treated as marketing information in accordance with the same Act. A securities institution that prepares or disseminates such recommendations shall ensure that it is clearly identified as marketing.

The securities institution shall ensure that such recommendations contain a clear explanation in a prominent location, or with regard to an oral recommendation a clear explanation

- 1. that the recommendations have not been prepared in accordance with the requirements in the laws and regulations designed to promote the independence of investment analyses, and
- 2. that the recommendations are not subject to any prohibition on dealing ahead of the dissemination of the investment analyses.

These regulations shall enter into force on 1 February 2017.

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