

Regulatory Circular RG 99-53

Date: February 22, 1999

To: Members and Member Firms

From: Market Performance Committee

Re: Options on E*Trade Group, Inc. (QGR)

The Market Performance Committee (MPC), by its authority under the provisions of Exchange Rule 8.7(b)(iv), has temporarily established modified bid/ask differentials in the option series on E*Trade Group, Inc. (QGR). Due to the volatility in the underlying stock, QGR options may be twice as wide as the markets allowed under the provisions of Rule 8.7. This relief is granted from the opening of business on February 22, 1999 through the March 1999 Expiration Cycle unless withdrawn by the Committee prior to that time.

The Market Performance Committee will continue to monitor the activity in the underlying security of QGR options, and will modify the bid/ask differentials in the respective options accordingly.

Any questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to Daniel Hustad at (312) 786-7715.

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