

Credit Suisse Group: Centralization of Capital Markets Funding Activities Frequently Asked Questions

1. Why has Credit Suisse decided to centralize its capital markets funding activities?

Centralizing debt issuance and the funding of its subsidiaries in Credit Suisse, the principal operating subsidiary of Credit Suisse Group, will simplify capital management activities and align them to the integrated banking model.

2. Has regulatory approval been received for the change of funding strategy?

Yes. The Swiss Federal Banking Commission (the EBK) has agreed to the central funding strategy.

3. How does Credit Suisse USA Inc.'s standing compare to Credit Suisse?

Credit Suisse has a truly global reach, with operations in over 50 countries and over 45,000 employees from around 100 different nations. Credit Suisse serves its diverse clients through three divisions: Investment Banking, Private Banking and Asset Management.

While Credit Suisse USA Inc. (CS USA) and Credit Suisse have been assigned the same credit ratings (AA- by S&P, Aa3 by Moody's, AA- by Fitch), it should be noted that CS USA's businesses consist primarily of just a portion of Credit Suisse's investment banking and private equity businesses in the US.

4. Where can I find the latest financial information for Credit Suisse?

The latest financial information for Credit Suisse can be found on its website at:

www.credit-suisse.com/investors/en/sub_financials.jsp

The website will be updated with Credit Suisse Group and Credit Suisse's 2006 financial statements by March 30, 2007.

5. Will CS USA continue to issue new securities?

Effective March 30, 2007, Credit Suisse Group does not expect to issue new securities out of CS USA and CS USA will cease to make periodic reports with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in reliance on Rule 12h-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act).

6. Does Credit Suisse intend to guarantee holders of CS USA's US-registered debt securities?

Yes. Credit Suisse will fully and unconditionally guarantee on a senior basis all outstanding US-registered debt securities issued by CS USA.

7. Why is Credit Suisse Group providing an additional guarantee on a subordinated basis?

In order to comply with requirements to exempt CS USA from SEC reporting obligations under the Exchange Act, the Group will fully and unconditionally guarantee on a subordinated basis all outstanding US-registered debt securities issued by CS USA. We do not expect any changes in the operations or credit of CS USA.

8. When will the guarantees be issued and how are copies obtained?

The guarantees will be issued as of March 26, 2007 and will be included in supplemental indentures that will be filed with the SEC by March 30, 2007. The guarantees will be available on the SEC's website and on Credit Suisse's website by March 30, 2007.

9. Does Credit Suisse intend to guarantee CS USA's non-US registered debt?

No. CS USA has only approximately USD 1.5 billion of outstanding non-US registered debt, substantially all of which will mature by 2008. The guarantees of CS USA's US-registered debt have been put in place in order to effect requirements of centralized funding and to exempt CS USA from SEC reporting requirements, not because of any change in CS USA's operations or credit.

10. What financial information will CS USA publish?

Even though CS USA will no longer file periodic reports with the SEC under the Exchange Act, the Group financial statements filed with the SEC will include condensed consolidating financial information for CS USA and Credit Suisse, as required by SEC rules.

11. What is the current issuance policy of Credit Suisse and how will this change?

The policy of Credit Suisse is currently to issue securities for capital and funding purposes from a number of entities. The intention is to now centralize debt issuance primarily in Credit Suisse. Credit Suisse will utilize its New York-branch Bank Note program to issue in the US market. By the end of May, we plan to add Credit Suisse to our Euro Medium Note program and use it as an issuance vehicle. This will provide us with maximum flexibility in issuing securities in the US, European and Asian markets. There will be exceptions, for example Credit Suisse Group Finance Guernsey will continue to issue Japanese securities given Credit Suisse Group's Samurai shelf.

Credit Suisse's Structured Notes issuance will continue to be concentrated within Credit Suisse, London Branch and Credit Suisse International for business reasons.