## TIC Form SLT Filing Considerations for Investment Managers

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## I. Introduction

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- Who reports?
  - U.S. Resident End Investors
  - U.S. Resident Issuers
  - U.S. Resident Custodians
- What is reported?
  - Securities issued by U.S. Resident Issuers to foreign residents
  - Foreign securities owned by U.S. Resident End-Investors not held by a U.S. Resident Custodian
- What is the reporting threshold?
  - \$1 Billion
- When does a reporting person file?
  - Quarterly in 2011, and monthly beginning January 2012

## Introduction

- How does a reporting person file?
  - With the NY Federal Reserve Bank.
  - Electronically, by mail or by fax.
- Link to form and instructions:
  - http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/data-chart-center/tic/Pages/forms-slt.aspx

# II. Who is required to file TIC Form SLT?

#### **Reporting Persons**

"U.S. Resident End Investor"

- A U.S. Resident End Investor must report all foreign securities it holds, except:
  - A U.S. Resident End Investor **does not report** foreign securities held with a U.S. Resident Custodian.
- A Delaware LP feeder fund investing in a Cayman Islands Ltd. master fund.
- An investment vehicle organized as a Delaware LP that invests in foreign securities that does not use a U.S. Resident Custodian.
- A Cayman Islands Ltd. master fund investing in foreign securities, that has a Delaware LP feeder fund.

#### **Reporting Persons**

"U.S. Resident Issuer"

- U.S. Resident Issuers must report all securities issued to foreign resident investors.
- A U.S. Resident Issuer **does not report** securities issued to foreign investors where a U.S. Resident Custodian holds such securities.
- An investment vehicle formed as a Delaware LP with foreign entities and/or individuals subscribed as limited partners.
- A master fund formed as a Delaware LP with a Cayman Islands Ltd. feeder fund.
- A Cayman Islands Ltd. fund with a U.S. investment manager.

## "U.S. Resident Custodian"

- Foreign securities owned by a U.S. entity but held by a U.S. Resident Custodian will be reportable by the U.S. Resident Custodian and will not count towards the \$1 billion threshold.
- Definition: A custodian legally established in the United States, including branches, subsidiaries and affiliates of foreign entities located in the United States.

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• The custodian is the prime broker/custodian with which the funds contract (i.e., not the sub custodian).

## **Reporting Persons**

- Reporting Persons may have an obligation to report in more than one category.
- E.g., An investment vehicle organized in the United States, such as a Delaware LP, investing in foreign securities and issuing interests to foreign investors will report both as a U.S. Resident End Investor and a U.S. Resident Issuer.

## III. How does an investment manager calculate the \$1 billion reporting threshold?

## Timing

## **\$1** Billion Threshold is calculated:

- For 2011, as of the last day of the quarter (September 30, 2011 and December 31 2011).
- For 2012 and thereafter, as of the last day of the month.
- Using settlement date accounting on such dates.

## Is the Security a U.S. Security or a Foreign Security?

- The determination is based on the country in which the entity issuing the security is legally established.
- Securities traded or issued in the United States are foreign securities if the issuer is legally established outside the United States.

#### **Reportable Securities**

- Included:
  - Common stock
  - Limited partnership interests
  - Debt with multiple call options (if any maturity date is greater than one year from date of issue)
  - Asset-backed securities
  - Depositary receipts, e.g., ADRs (reported as U.S. end investor holding foreign securities) (non-exhaustive list)

- Excluded:
  - Derivative contracts (including swaps)
  - Bank deposits
  - Precious metals
  - Currencies
  - Loans & loan participations (non-exhaustive list)

#### Valuation

- Report fair value of securities as of the last business day of the month (as defined by ASC 820 (formerly FAS 157)).
- Gross long positions should be reported.
- Do not net short positions.
- Do not exclude securities bought with leverage.
- The fair value of foreign currency denominated securities should be converted into U.S. dollars using the spot exchange rate as of close of business on the date of calculation.

#### Valuation

• The AUM of an investment manager or the net assets of an investment vehicle are not the indicators used to determine if the \$1 billion threshold has been met.



### **Do I have a filing obligation?**



#### **Consolidation - Funds**

- A U.S. resident investment manager will report on behalf of all U.S. funds and accounts it manages.
- A foreign resident investment manager does not have a reporting requirement, but each U.S. fund or account managed by the foreign resident investment manager that meets the \$1 billion dollar threshold will be required to report on a separate basis.

#### **Consolidation – Management Entities**

- U.S. resident entities file a consolidated report for all U.S. subsidiaries.
- If the U.S. subsidiaries are owned by a natural person, then there is no consolidation and each U.S. subsidiary must file independently if it meets the \$1billion threshold.



#### **Other Noteworthy Points**

- No look-through, i.e., a U.S. feeder fund investing in a Cayman Islands master fund only reports Cayman Islands shares, not the foreign securities held by the master fund.
- Natural persons have no filing obligation.
- A U.S. investment manager may have a filing obligation as a U.S. Resident Custodian for:
  - Certain types of omnibus accounts.

# IV. When is a reporting person required to file?

#### **Requirements for 2011**

- Quarterly reporting commences with the period ending September 30, 2011.
- TIC Form SLT is due 23 days after the reporting period ends.
- If the 23rd day is a holiday or a weekend, the TIC Form SLT is due on the first business day after the 23rd.
- First report for 2011 is due by October 24, 2011.

#### **Requirements for 2012 and Beyond**

- Monthly reporting commences with the period ending January 31, 2012.
- TIC Form SLT is due on the 23rd day of the month after the reporting period ends.
- If the 23rd day is a holiday or weekend, the Form SLT is due on the first business day after the 23rd.
- First report for 2012 is due by February 23, 2012.

## V. How does a reporting person file?

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## Filing

- All reporting persons that are not banks, depository institutions, bank holding companies or financial holding companies file with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.
  - This category includes investment managers.
- Reporting persons are assigned a reporter ID number, which can be obtained from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

## Filing

• File electronically using the Federal Reserve System's Internet Submission Electronic Submission System.

OR

• File by mail to:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York Statistics Function, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 33 Liberty Street New York, New York 10045

OR

• File by fax to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at 212-720-8028 or 212-720-8216.

#### Confidentiality

- Data reported on TIC Form SLT will be held in confidence by the Department of Treasury, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and the Federal Reserve Banks.
- Data reported by individual respondents will not be published or otherwise publicly disclosed.
- Data may be given to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and to other Federal agencies, as authorized by applicable law.
- There is no indication that the TIC Form SLT will not be subject to FOIA requests.

## **VI. TIC Form SLT Scenarios**

#### Scenarios (Assumes the \$1 billion threshold has been met)



RP = Reporting Person

#### (Assumes the \$1 billion threshold has been met)



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#### Scenarios (Assumes the \$1 billion threshold has been met)



US IM & client must consult with Federal Reserve to determine which entity will be subject to the reporting requirement. In general, the entity (the IM or the managed account client) with the higher level of reportable holdings will have the reporting requirement.

## **VII. Questions**

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## **VIII. Speaker Biographies**



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