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Information on Invoicing and Enhancements to ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance

Summary

ECC would like to inform all Clearing Members and Non-Clearing Members on details of the impending Invoicing Process for ECC's Trading Limit Self Service. The monthly fees for maintained trading limits in 2016 will be invoiced and settled within the yearly process in January 2017.

Furthermore this Clearing Circular contains information on improvements to ECC Self Service Limit Maintenance in ECC Member Area, which are available as of now.

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Details on Invoicing Process for Self Service Limit Maintenance

Invoicing Setup

As introduced in ECC Clearing Circular 08/2015 ECC charges a monthly fee for the utilization of ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance.

Invoicing and settlement of these fees will take place through the yearly invoices issued by ECC. As ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance has been introduced in 2016, ECC informs all Clearing Members and Non-Clearing Members on the details for the invoicing process, conducted in January 2017 for the first time.

For the applicable fees for Trading Limits a new invoice will be issued, named "LIMIT_ECCAG" which will be dispatched electronically as known for all invoices. To identify the Fee Type, ECC introduces new product groups, representing the individual fees:

Fee description	SMSS Product Group	Fee excl. VAT
Base fee for Clearing Member (as originator of limits)	ECC_FS_LIMIT_CM_BASE_FEE_EUR	550 € per month
Base fee for Non-Clearing Member (as originator of limits)	ECC_FS_LIMIT_NCM_BASE_FEE_EUR	100 € per month
Administrative fee per limit (for the originator of limits)	ECC_FS_LIMIT_USAGE_FEE_EUR	30 € per limit per month

A fee is only charged in the given month, if a limit has been active in the given month. In case an access to ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance exists, but no limit has been active, then no fees will be charged.

Limit Definitions, which facilitate the Emergency Member Stop Process or the Physical Fulfilment Request for Non-MTF positions, are excluded from the Limit Fee table.

Fee exemption for small members

To facilitate the on boarding of members with a smaller trading volume in the Clearing Process, a fee exemption will be introduced for 2016 and 2017.

Power and Natural Gas spot trading limits concerning members with a combined annual Power and Natural Gas trading volume of 0.5 TWh or less will be exempted from the administrative limit management fees until 31 December 2017.

The ECC Price List will be updated to incorporate this fee exemption and will be available at <https://www.ecc.de/ecc-en/about-ecc/rules/price-list>.

Enhancements to ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance

Limit Maintenance Overview

In order to facilitate the maintenance of ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance, ECC introduced a new design in the Limit Overview page. Trading Limits with different status can be identified easily based on the display and highlights:

- Active Limits are displayed in normal black font
- Limits that have been cancelled are shown in grey
- Limits pending approval by a second user are shown in italics
- Action buttons (for actions “Approve” and ”Cancel”) are always displayed. If the user has no permission to use them, then they are inactive and displayed in grey.

Duplicate Control

To prevent the erroneous entry of duplicate or unintentionally overlapping trading limits, ECC introduced a duplicate control functionality. Upon the creation of a new limit, the system checks if there is already a limit for the same Limit Definition and Settlement Member with an overlapping validity period (defined by Limit Begin and Limit End).

In case an overlapping limit is detected, a warning message is displayed, showing all potential duplicate limits, which are visible for this user. A Clearing Member user will only see duplicate trading limits, where the creator is set as Clearing Member. A Settlement Member user will see all trading limits with creator Settlement Member and in addition limits with the creator Clearing Member, created for his assigned Settlement Member.

After display of the warning message, the user can decide if the new trading limit should be created nonetheless by activating the checkbox “Ignore duplicate / overlapping limits”.

Both enhancements are already active in ECC Self-Service Limit Maintenance. Details can be found in ECC Member Area User Guide on ECC website at <https://www.ecc.de/ecc-en/member-section/user-guides-manuals>.

REMINDER: Emergency Contact Trading Limits

In ECC Clearing Circular 44/2016 ECC introduced the role of an “Emergency Contact Trading Limits”. All Clearing Members who have not yet nominated a contact are reminded to send this to limits@ecc.de.