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ISDA Americas Credit Derivatives Determinations Committee: Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Failure to Pay Credit Event

NEW YORK, July 18, 2016 – The International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (ISDA) today announced that its Americas Credit Derivatives Determinations Committee resolved that a failure to pay credit event occurred in respect of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

ISDA will publish further information, including whether a CDS auction will be held, on its website, www.isda.org/credit, in due course.

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About the Determinations Committees

The <u>ISDA Credit Derivatives Determinations Committees (DCs)</u> each comprise 10 sell-side and five buy-side voting firms, alongside three consultative firms and central counterparty observer members. Their role is to apply the terms of market-standard credit derivatives contracts to specific cases, and make factual determinations on Credit Events, Successor Reference Entities and other issues, based on information provided to the DCs by credit default swap (CDS) market participants. The DCs are also responsible for determining whether a CDS Auction should be held following a Credit Event. The determinations are governed by the <u>Determinations Committee Rules</u>. ISDA acts as a non-voting secretary to each DC, and endeavors to co-ordinate this process in a transparent and operationally efficient manner.

About ISDA

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