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COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

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The Accounting Standards Board of Japan (ASBJ) released for public comments an Issue Paper on improvements of Accounting Standard for Financial Instruments (Classification and Measurement of Financial Liabilities) on February 25. The issue paper include the adaption of fair value option, as well as the treatment of derivatives embedded products i.e. whether to bifurcate the derivatives and account for it as a separate financial instrument. The first draft was circulated to the members on March 29. The comments to the ASBJ is due April 25, 2011

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20 members, including Japanese and global firms, have responded to the annual survey of Collateral use in OTC derivatives in the Japan market. The results of the surveys are being summarized and will be circulated back to the members in late April.

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Japan DC Determinations

On March 11, ISDA published Japan DC's decisions on Historical Succession Event questions for the following: 1) UFJ Bank Limited, 2) UFJ Holdings, 3) Japan Telecom Holdings Co., Ltd., and 4) Keio Electric Railway Co., Ltd.

EQUITY DERIVATIVES: Contact Kumi Namba (knamba@isda.org)

A committee meeting originally scheduled to take place on March 16 to discuss the 2011 Equity Derivatives Definitions structure has been postponed to April 6. It will be convened as a combined call of APAC and Japan region members.

WEATHER, COMMODITY AND DEVELOPING PRODUCTS: Contact Tomoko Morita (tmorita@isda.org)

Co-Chair of Weather, Commodity and Developing Products, Mr. Masahiro Ono of Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance has stepped down as of March 2011. Mr. Ono had served as co-chair of the Committee since its inception, and we would like to thank his contributions to the Committee activities for over 10 years.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

Equity Derivatives Committee (English language call)	April 6
ISDA 26th Annual General Meeting Prague	Apr 12 – 14
Accounting Committee (Japanese language meeting)	tbc
Collateral Committee (Japanese language meeting)	tbc