RETAIL DISTRIBUTION REVIEW (COMPLAINTS DATA) INSTRUMENT 2014

Powers exercised

- A. The Financial Conduct Authority makes this instrument in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act"):
 - (1) section 137A (The FCA's general rules); and
 - (2) section 137T (General supplementary powers); and
 - (3) section 139A (Power of the FCA to give guidance).
- B. The rule-making powers listed above are specified for the purpose of section 138G (Rule-making instruments) of the Act.

Commencement

C. This instrument comes into force on 9 June 2014.

Amendments to the FCA Handbook

- D. The Supervision manual (SUP) is amended in accordance with Annex A to this instrument.
- E. The Dispute Resolution: Complaints sourcebook (DISP) is amended in accordance with Annex B to this instrument.

Notes

F. In Annex B to this instrument, the "note" (indicated by "**Note:**") is included for the convenience of readers but does not form part of the legislative text.

Citation

G. This instrument may be cited as the Retail Distribution Review (Complaints Data) Instrument 2014.

By order of the Board of the Financial Conduct Authority 5 June 2014

Annex A

Amendments to the Supervision manual (SUP)

In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.

Ongoing alerts for retail adviser complaints

- 10A.14.24 R (1) A *firm* must notify the *FCA*, in the form set out in *SUP* 10 Annex 9R, where:
 - (a) in any twelve-month period, it has upheld three *complaints* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by any one *employee* when acting as a *retail investment adviser*; or
 - (b) it has upheld a *complaint* about matters relating to the *retail* investment activities activities carried out by any one employee when acting as a retail investment adviser, where the redress paid exceeds £50,000.

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Annex B

Amendments to the Dispute Resolution: Complaints sourcebook (DISP)

In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.

- 1.10.2A R (1) Twice a year a *firm* must provide the *FCA* with a complete report concerning *complaints* received from *eligible complainants* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by its *employees* when acting as *retail investment advisers*. The report must be set out in the format in *DISP* 1 Annex 1CR.
 - (2) *DISP* 1 Annex 1CR requires (for the relevant reporting period) information about:
 - (a) the total number of *complaints* received by the *firm* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by its *employees* when acting as *retail investment advisers*;
 - (b) the total number of *complaints* closed by the *firm* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by its *employees* when acting as *retail investment advisers*;
 - (c) the total number of *complaints* upheld by the *firm* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by its *employees* when acting as *retail investment advisers*; and
 - (d) the total amount of redress paid in respect of *complaints* upheld during the reporting period about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by its *employees* when acting as *retail investment advisers*.

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[Note: See *SUP* 10A.14.24R for the ongoing duty to notify *complaints* about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* of a activities carried out by any *employee* when acting as a *retail investment adviser*.]-

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Annex 1CR Illustration of the online reporting requirements, referred to in DISP 1.10.2AR

This annex belongs to DISP 1.10.2AR

COMPLAINTS BY RETAIL INVESTMENT ADVISERS REPORTING / NIL RETURN DECLARATION

1	Does the data reported in this return cover <i>complaints</i> about matters relating to the <i>retail investment activities</i> activities carried out by one or more <i>employees</i> when acting as a <i>retail investment adviser (RIA)</i> ? Please If 'Yes', then please list the individual reference numbers (IRNs) of all the RIAs included in this return.	Yes / No
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NOTES ON THE COMPLETION OF THIS RETURN

Nil Returns

If no *complaints* have been received during the reporting period or none of the *complaints* received is about matters relating to the *retail investment activities* activities carried out by an *employee* when acting as a *retail investment adviser* the *firm* may submit a NIL RETURN by clicking on the relevant box.