FEES (No. 2) INSTRUMENT 2001

Powers exercised

A. The Financial Services Authority makes the rules and gives the guidance in this instrument in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "Act"):

Section 156 of the Act (General supplementary powers);

Section 157(1) of the Act (Guidance);

Paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 1 to the Act (Fees).

B. The provisions of the Act relevant to making rules and listed above are specified for the purpose of section 153(2) of the Act (Rule-making instruments).

Commencement

- C. This instrument shall come into force as follows:
 - (i) paragraph D comes into force on 1 January 2002; and
 - (ii) paragraph E comes into force immediately.

Amendment of AUTH

D. AUTH is amended by deleting AUTH 4 (including AUTH 4 Ann 1R) and replacing it with the provisions in the Annex to this instrument.

Amendment of SUP

- E. SUP is amended as follows:
 - (i) delete the number of 6.3.21G and move the text so that it becomes the final sentence of SUP 6.3.20G;
 - (ii) renumber SUP 6.3.22G as SUP 6.3.21G;
 - (iii) insert the following new rule after SUP 6.3.21G:
 - "6.3.22 R If a *firm* applies for a variation of its *Part IV permission*, it must pay the fee specified in Part 3 of *AUTH* 4 Annex 1R in either of the following cases:
 - (1) if the variation is granted, the business of the *firm* will fall within one or more fee blocks specified in Part 5 of *AUTH* 4

 Annex 1R not applicable before the grant of the variation; or
 - (2) any other circumstances specified in Part 3 of *AUTH* 4 Annex 1R apply."

Citation

F. This instrument may be cited as the Fees (No. 2) Instrument 2001.

By order of the Board 20 December 2001

ANNEX

Chapter 4

Authorisation Fees







4.1 Introduction

Application

4.1.1 R

This chapter applies to:

- (1) every applicant for *Part IV permission* (including an *incoming firm* applying for *top-up permission*);
- (2) every *Treaty firm* that wishes to exercise a *Treaty right* to qualify for *authorisation* under Schedule 4 to the *Act* (Treaty rights) in respect of *regulated activities* for which it does not have an *EEA right*; and
- (3) an applicant for a certificate under article 54 of the Regulated Activities Order.

4.1.2 G 03.09.01/001

This chapter does not apply to:

- (1) an EEA firm that wishes to exercise an EEA right; or
- (2) an ICVC; or
- (3) a UCITS qualifier.

Purpose

4.1.3 G 03.09.01/001

The purpose of this chapter is to set out the requirements on applicants for *Part IV permission*, and *Treaty firms* qualifying for *authorisation* under Schedule 4 to the *Act* (Treaty rights), to pay fees.

Background

4.1.4 **G**

GEN 3 (FSA Fees - General Provisions) applies to fees required by this chapter.

4.1.5 G 03.09.01/001

Most of the detail of what fees are payable by applicants and *Treaty firms* is set out in ■ AUTH 4 Ann 1R, the provisions of which will vary from one financial year to another. Accordingly a fresh ■ AUTH 4 Ann 1Rwill come into force, following consultation, for each financial year.

4.1.6 G 03.09.01/001

The rates set for authorisation fees represent an appropriate proportion of the costs of the FSA in processing the application or exercise of *Treaty rights*.

4.1.7 G 03.09.01/001

Applications (and exercises of *Treaty rights*) are categorised by the *FSA* for the purpose of fee raising as complex, moderately complex and straightforward as identified in *AUTH* 4 Ann 1R. This differentiation is based on the *permitted activities* sought and does not reflect the *FSA's* risk assessment of the applicant (or *Treaty firm*).

4.1.8 G 03.09.01/001

A potential applicant (or *Treaty firm*) has the opportunity to discuss its proposed application (or exercise of *Treaty rights*) with the *FSA* before submitting it formally (see AUTH 3.9.1G). If an applicant (or *Treaty firm*) does so, the *FSA* will be able to use that dialogue to make an initial assessment of the fee categorisation and therefore indicate the authorisation fee that should be paid.

4.1.9 G 03.09.01/001

See AUTH 3.9in relation to the procedures for making applications for *Part IV* permission and AUTH 5for procedures for the exercise of *Treaty rights* by *Treaty firms*.

4.1.10 G 03.09.01/001

Authorisation fees are not refundable.



4.2 Obligation to Pay Authorisation Fees

General

4.2.1 R

A person to whom this chapter applies must pay to the FSA an authorisation fee for each application made (or exercise of a Treaty right), as set out in AUTH 4 Ann 1R.

Amount

4.2.2 R

In respect of a particular application (or exercise) the authorisation fee referred to in AUTH 4.2.1Ris the highest of the tariffs set out in part 1 of AUTH 4 Ann 1Rwhich apply to that application (or exercise).

4.2.3 G 03.09.01/001

If an application (or exercise of a *Treaty right*) falls within more than one category, only one fee is payable. That fee is the one for the category to which the highest fee tariff applies.

Due date and method of payment

4.2.4 R

The sum payable under • AUTH 4.2.2Rmust be paid:

- (1) by bankers draft, cheque or other payable order;
- (2) in full without deduction; and
- (3) on or before the date on which the application is made (or notice of exercise is given).
- **4.2.5 G** 03.09.01/001

An application for a *Part IV permission* will not be complete until the appropriate fee is paid, and the six month period for consideration will not start until that time (see further **AUTH 3.9.30G**).

Modification for certain Treaty firms

4.2.6 R

If a certificate has been issued under paragraph 3(4) of schedule 4 to the *Act* in respect of an exercise of a *Treaty right*, no sum payable under • AUTH 4.2.2R.

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If no certificate has been issued under paragraph 3(4) of schedule 4 to the *Act* in respect of an exercise of a *Treaty right*, the sum payable is as specified in Part 4 of AUTH Ann 1R.

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4.3 Obligation to pay certification fees

General

4.3.1 R 15.11.01/001

An applicant for a certificate under article 54 of the Regulated Activities Order must pay to the FSA the application fee specified in Part 6 of AUTH 4 Ann 1R.

Due date and method of payment

4.3.2 R

The application fee must be paid:

- (1) by bankers draft, cheque or other payable order;
- (2) in full without deduction; and
- (3) on or before the date on which the application is made.
- **4.3.3 G** 15.11.01/001

An application for an article 54 certificate will be treated as incomplete until the application fee has been paid.



Authorisation fees payable in relation to the period from 1st January 2002 to 31 March 2002

Part 1 – Authorisation fees payable

Table

Application type (see Part 2)	Amount payable
(a) Straightforward	£2,000
(b) Moderately complex	£5,000
(c) Complex	£25,000

Part 2 - Complexity Groupings

Straightforward Cases 2 Table

Activity grouping	Description
A.3	Friendly societies only
A.4	Friendly societies only
A.12	Advisory arrangers, dealers or brokers (holding or controlling cli-
	ent money and/or assets)
A.13	Advisory arrangers, dealers or brokers (not holding or controlling
	client money and/or assets)
A.14	Corporate finance advisers
A.15	Advisory only firms

3 **Table Moderately Complex Cases**

Activity grouping	Description
A.5	Managing agents at Lloyd's
A.7	Fund managers (holding or controlling client money and/or assets)
A.8	Fund managers (not holding or controlling client money and/or
	assets)
A.9	Operators, trustees and depositaries of collective investment
	schemes
A.10	Firms dealing as principal
A.11	Execution only arrangers, dealers or brokers

Table **Complex Cases**

Activity grouping	Description
A.1	Deposit acceptors

A.3	Firms conducting insurance activities subject only to pruden-
	tial regulation (excluding friendly societies)
A.4	Firms conducting insurance activities subject to both pruden-
	tial and conduct of business regulation (excluding friendly
	societies)

Part 3 - Variation of Permission Fees

- 5 The fee payable under SUP 6.3.22R is 50% of that payable under AUTH 4.2.2R.
- There are no circumstances specified for the purposes of SUP 6.3.22R(2).

Part 4 - Authorisation Fees for Treaty Firms

- If the Treaty firm wishes to undertake the permitted activities in question through it's branch in the United Kingdom, the fee is 50% of the fee that would be payable under.
- If the Treaty firm wishes to undertake the permitted activities in question by providing services in the United Kingdom, the fee is 25% of the fee which would be payable under.

Part 5 - Activity Groupings

Activity grouping

9 The activity group definitions below reflect those published in CP111 in September 2001.

10 Table

A.1 Deposit acceptors	Its permission includes accepting deposits BUT DOES NOT include one or more of the following: • effecting contracts of insurance; • carrying out contracts of insurance.
A.3 Firms conducting in-	Its <i>permission</i> includes one or more of the following:
surance activities subject	• effecting contracts of insurance;
only to prudential regula-	• carrying out contracts of insurance;
tion	BUT ONLY in respect of specified investments that are:
	 general insurance contracts; or
	 long-term insurance contracts other than life policies.
A.4 Firms conducting in-	Its <i>permission</i> includes one or more of :
surance activities subject	• effecting contracts of insurance;
to both prudential and	• carrying out contracts of insurance;
conduct of business re-	both in respect of specified investments including life policies;
gulation	• entering as provider into a funeral plan contract.
A.5 Managing agents at	Its permission includes managing the underwriting capacity of a
Lloyd's	Lloyd's syndicate as a managing agent at Lloyd's.
A.6 The Society of	It is the Society of Lloyd's.
Lloyd's	

Fee-payer falls in the activity group if:

A.7 Fund Managers (holding or controlling client money and/or assets)

Its permission includes managing investments;

AND one or more of the following:

- *safeguarding and administering of assets (without arranging);*
- arranging safeguarding and administration of assets;
- the ability to hold and/or control *client money*:
 - that is, there is no *requirement* which prohibits the *firm* from doing this;
 - and provided that the *client money* in question does not only arise from an agreement under which *commission* is rebated to a *client*.

A.8 Fund Managers (not holding or controlling client money and/or assets)

Its permission includes managing investments;

BUT NEITHER of the following:

- *safeguarding and administering of assets (without arranging);*
- arranging safeguarding and administration of assets

AND if it EITHER:

- has a *requirement* that prohibits the *firm* from holding and/or controlling *client money*; OR
- if it does not have such a *requirement*, only holds/controls *client money* arising from an agreement under which *commission* is rebated to a *client*.

A.9 Operators, Trustees and Depositaries of collective investment schemes

Its *permission* includes one or more of the following:

- establishing, operating or winding up a regulated collective investment scheme;
- establishing, operating or winding up an unregulated collective investment scheme;
- acting as trustee of an authorised unit trust scheme;
- acting as the depositary or sole director of an open-ended investment company;

AND PROVIDED the *firm* is NOT one of the following:

- a corporate finance advisory firm;
- a *firm* whose activities are limited to carrying *out corporate finance business*;
- a venture capital firm.

A.10 Firms dealing as principal

Its permission includes dealing in investments as principal;

BUT NOT if one or more of the following apply:

- the above activity is carried on exclusively in respect of *life policies*;
- the *firm* is acting exclusively as a matched principal broker;
- the above activity is limited to acting as an *operator* of a *collective investment scheme*;
- the firm is a corporate finance advisory firm;
- the above activity is otherwise limited to carrying out *corporate finance business*.

A.11 Execution—only arrangers, dealers or brokers •

ing or controlling client

money and/or assets)

Its *permission* includes one or more of the following:

- dealing in investments as agent;
- arranging (bringing about) deals in investments;
- making arrangements with a view to transactions in investments;
- dealing as principal in investments where the activity is carried on exclusively in respect of *life policies* or where the *firm* acts as a matched principal broker;

BUT NONE of the following:

- advising on investments (except pensions transfers and pension opt-outs); or
- advising on pension transfers and pension opt-outs.

AND PROVIDED the fee-payer is NOT any of the following:

- a corporate finance advisory firm;
- a firm for whom all of the applicable activities above are otherwise limited to carrying out corporate finance business;
- a firm whose activities are limited to carrying out venture capital business:
- a firm whose activities are limited to acting as an operator, depositary or trustee of a collective investment scheme.

Its *permission* includes one or more of the following: A.12 Advisory arrangers, dealers, or brokers (hold-

- dealing in investments as agent;
- arranging (bringing about) deals in investments;
- making arrangements with a view to transactions in investments;
- dealing as principal in investments where the activity is carried on as a matched principal broker;

AND AT LEAST one of the following:

- advising on investments (except pension transfers and pension
- advising on pension transfers and pension opt-outs;
- advising on syndicate participation at Lloyd's.

AND CAN HAVE one or more of the following:

- safeguarding and administering of assets;
- arranging safeguarding and administration of assets;
- the ability to hold and/or control *client money*:
 - that is, there is no *requirement* which prohibits the *firm* from doing this;
 - and provided that the *client money* in question does not only arise from an agreement under which commission is rebated to a client;

AND PROVIDED the fee-payer is NOT any of the following:

- a corporate finance advisory firm;
- a *firm* for whom all of the applicable activities above are otherwise limited to carrying out corporate finance business;
- a firm whose activities are limited to carrying out venture capital
- a firm whose activities are limited to acting as an operator of a collective investment scheme;
- a firm who otherwise meets the requirements to fall in the A.4 activity group.

A.13 Advisory arrangers, dealers, or brokers (not holding or controlling client money and/or assets)

A.13 Advisory arrangers, Its *permission* includes one or more of the following:

- dealing in investments as agent;
- arranging (bringing about) deals in investments;
- making arrangements with a view to transactions in investments;
- dealing as principal in investments where the activity is carried on as a matched principal broker;

AND AT LEAST one of the following:

- advising on investments (except pension transfers and pension opt—outs);
- advising on pension transfers and pension opt-outs;
- advising on syndicate participation at Lloyd's;

BUT NEITHER of the following:

- safeguarding and administration of assets;
- arranging safeguarding and administration of assets;

AND MUST EITHER

- have a *requirement* that prohibits the *firm* from holding and/or controlling *client money*; OR
- if it does not have such a *requirement*, only holds/controls *client money* arising from an agreement under which *commission* is rebated to a client;

AND PROVIDED the fee-payer is NOT one of the following:

- a corporate finance advisory firm;
- a *firm* for whom all of the applicable activities above are otherwise limited to carrying out *corporate finance business*;
- a *firm* whose activities are limited to acting as an *operator* of a *collective investment scheme*;
- a *firm* who otherwise meets the requirements to fall in the A.4 activity group.

A.14 Corporate finance advisers

The firm is carrying on corporate finance business.

A.15 Advisory only firms

Its *permission* includes one or more of the following:

- advising on investments (except pension transfers and pension opt—outs);
- advising on syndicate participation at Lloyd's

BUT MUST NOT include:

 any of the dealing/arranging activities used in defining the A.11 to A.13 activity groups above;

AND PROVIDED the fee-payer is NOT one of the following:

- a corporate finance advisory firm;
- a *firm* for whom all of the applicable activities above are otherwise limited to carrying out *corporate finance business*;
- a *firm* whose activities are limited to carrying out *venture capital business*;
- a *firm* whose activities are limited to acting as an *operator* of a *collective investment scheme*.

A.16 Pensions review levy firms

It was liable to pay the Pensions Levy to the PIA in 2001/2002.

Part 6 - Application for a certificate under article 54 of the Regulated Activities Order



1. The amount payable in relation to each application is £2,000.