#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** File No. DF Title IX - Asset-Backed Securities

**From:** Katherine Hsu

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U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

**Date:** October 14, 2010

**Re:** Meeting with Morgan Stanley

On October 14, 2010, Paula Dubberly, Rolaine Bancroft, Jay Knight, Steven Hearne, Eduardo Aleman and Katherine Hsu of the Division of Corporation Finance; Eric Emre Carr and Stanislava Nikolova of the Division of Risk, Strategy and Financial Innovation; Wes Bricker of the Office of Chief Accountant; and staff from the Division of Trading and Markets met with the following representatives from Morgan Stanley: Steve D'Antonio, David Moffitt, Valerie Kay, Vishwanath Tirupattur, Candice Koederitz, Su Bai, Jim Lee, and Soo-Mi Lee. Meeting participants discussed Subtitle D, Title IX, of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and Section 621, Title VI of the Dodd-Frank Act. Handouts are attached to this memorandum.

Attachment

# AGENDA FOR SEC MORGAN STANLEY MEETING RE DODD-FRANK ACT SECURITIZATION PROVISIONS

- I. Overview
- II. Strong Underwriting Standards
- III. Disclosure and Reporting for Asset-Backed Securities
- IV. Forms of Credit Risk Retention
- V. Definition of Asset-Backed Security
- VI. Conflicts of Interest in Securitization Transactions

## **US Securities Exchange Commission**

## **Discussion Materials**

October 14, 2010

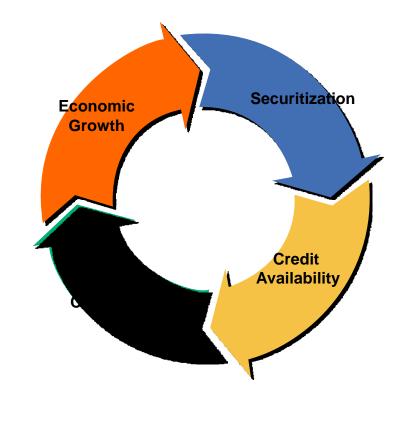
### **Securitization is an Important Source of Credit Intermediation**

#### **Trends in Credit Intermediation**

(Share of Private Nonfinancial Debt Outstanding, Percent)

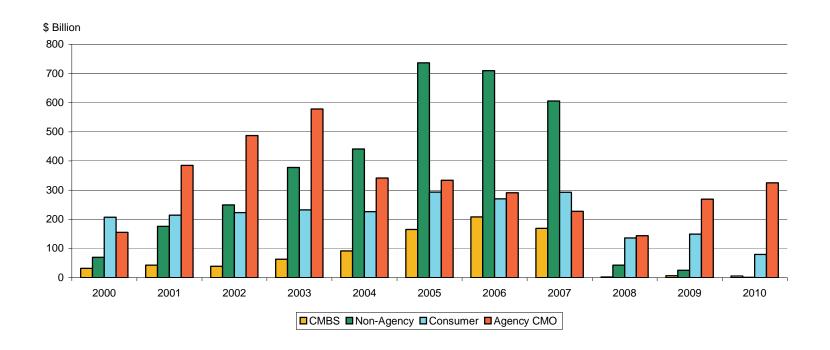


- Intermediated Through Securities Markets
- Intermediated Through Depository Institutions



Source: Federal Reserve Source: Morgan Stanley Research

### **Securitization Issuance by Year and Product Type**



Source: SIFMA, TREPP, Bloomberg, Commercial Mortgage Alert, Morgan Stanley

#### Performance of Broad Categories of Securitized Products<sup>(1)</sup>

	Estimated Losses to Investment Grade Tranches (2)				Outstanding
	To Date		Life time		Market Size (3)
	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	Low	<u>High</u>	(Billion \$)
ABS CDO (4)					
- Mezzanine ABS CDO (2005-07 vintages)	60%	70%	75%	90%	80
- High Grade ABS CDO (2005-07 vintages)	30%	35%	60%	70%	170
Non-Agency RMBS					
- Sub prime (2005-07 vintages) (5)	5%	15%	15%	45%	467
- Alt-A (2005-07 vintages) (6)	5%	15%	15%	35%	626
- Jumbo prime (2005-08 vintages) (7)	0%	2%	3%	10%	341
Agency RMBS (8)	0%	0%	0%	0%	6,739
CMBS (2005-2007 vintages)	0%	0%	2%	15%	769
CLO (2004-08 vintages) <sup>(9)</sup>	0%	0%	0%	1%	319
Credit Card ABS	0%	5%	0%	5%	222
Auto Ioan ABS	0%	0%	0%	0%	129
Student loan ABS (FFELP)	0%	0%	0%	2%	249
Student Ioan ABS (Private Credit)	0%	0%	5%	35%	(included above)

#### Notes

<sup>(1)</sup> Losses to investment grade tranches have been calculated using estimates of pool losses and applying a generic capital structure for each category of securitized products.

<sup>(2)</sup> Investment grade tranches defined as tranches originally rated BBB/Baa and higher.

<sup>(3)</sup> Outstanding market size for Agency RMBS includes \$5,468 billion of pass-throughs and \$1,270 billion of agency CMOs as of Q2, 2010. Market size estimates are based on data from SIFMA and S&P for all categories except CLO and ABS CDOs which are Morgan Stanley estimates. 2005-2007 vintage issuance of ABS CDOs were \$140 billion and \$260 billion for mezzanine and high grade ABS CDOs respectively.

<sup>(4)</sup> ABS CDO losses are based on Morgan Stanley estimates.

<sup>(9)</sup> For subprime, pool losses to date are based on ABX 2006-1 for low and ABX 2007-2 for high. Expected life time losses are based on "Subprime RMBS Loss Projection Update: February 2010", Moody's Investors Service, Feb 24, 2010.

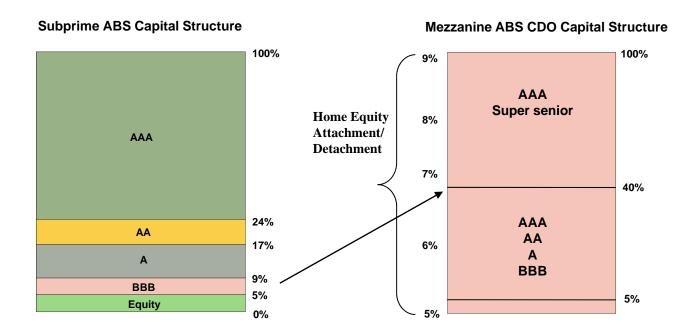
<sup>(6)</sup> For Alt-A, pool losses to date are based on Morgan Stanley proprietary indices - 2006-2 Fixed for low and 2007-2 Hybrid for high. Expected life time losses are based on "Alt-A RMBS Loss Projection Update: February 2010", Moody's Investors Service. Feb 24, 2010.

<sup>(7)</sup> For Jumbo Prime, pool losses to date are based on PrimeX indices - FRM1 for low and ARM2 for high. Expected life time losses are based on "Prime Jumbo RMBS Loss Projection Update: January 2010", Moody's Investors Service, Jan 20, 2010).

<sup>(8)</sup> No credit losses assumed due to government guarantees for Agency RMBS. There may be losses in premium bonds due to prepayments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(9)</sup> CLO, credit card, auto and student loan ABS losses are based on Morgan Stanley estimates.

### An Illustration of ABS CDO Securitization



Source: Morgan Stanley

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