

Government and Corporate Debt Transparency

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Agenda

- Background and Update on Debt Transaction Reporting
- IIROC Information Processor
- Guidance on Implementation of GDT Phase II (May 31 2021)
- Update on Bulk Data Download
- Future Debt IP Website Enhancements
- Website screenshots, statistics and usage



Background

- IIROC currently receives debt transaction reports from IIROC Dealers and GSDs
- Pleased to be able to leverage this data to support the CSA's transparency initiatives and the Bank of Canada
- On July 6, 2016, IIROC was appointed by the CSA as the IP for corporate debt securities
- Full operation complete July 2017 and since that date have been providing public access to all corporate debt trades on the secondary market by all IIROC-regulated investment firms
- Entrusted by Bank of Canada with the publication of the Canadian Bankers'
 Acceptance (BA) Rates, and monthly Bond and Money Market Secondary Trading
 Statistics
- Beginning on June 15, 2020, IIROC began providing data to the Bank as they assumed responsibility for the calculation of CORRA

Update on Debt Transaction Reporting

IIROC Rule 2800C - Key Milestones

- November 1, 2015 began receiving reports of debt transactions from IIROC Dealer
 Members who are GSDs or affiliated with a GSD on T+1 basis
- November 1, 2016 began receiving reports from all other IIROC Dealer Members who trade debt
- Established a dedicated Surveillance team led by Rick Brown, Director of Debt Surveillance
- On March 29, 2019 published amendments to Rule 2800C to among other things:
 - shorten the transaction reporting deadlines for reportable debt transactions to trade date (T) from trade date + 1 (T+1)
- Fully implemented on April 27, 2020



IIROC Information Processor

Corporate Debt Transparency

- https://bondtradedata.iiroc.ca
- As of July 6, 2016, IIROC IP provided delayed transparency for all retail corporate
 debt trades, and retail and institutional trades in a subset of liquid bonds on a T+2
 basis by Government Securities Distributors ("GSDs").
- As of November 1, 2016, IIROC received debt securities transaction information from all remaining non-("GSDs"). The trades received from those dealer members were not disseminated by IIROC IP as information processor, until the trade data for all corporate debt securities were made transparent on July 1, 2017.
- As of July 1, 2017, IIROC IP made <u>all corporate bond retail and institutional trades</u> publicly transparent on a T+2 basis, and subject to volume caps of \$2M for investment grade corporate debt securities and \$0.2M for non-investment grade corporate debt securities.



IIROC Information Processor

Addition of Government Debt

- As of August 31, 2020 IIROC IP
 - disseminates the existing post-trade information for corporate debt securities on a
 T+1 (at 5:00 pm ET) basis; and
 - disseminates post-trade information for trades in government debt securities
 executed by dealer members that are currently subject to IIROC Dealer Member
 Rule 2800C, marketplaces, inter-dealer bond brokers and Banks that are currently
 reporting their corporate debt transactions to the MTRS 2.0, with application of
 defined volume caps, on a T+1 (at 5:00 pm ET) basis.
- As of May 31, 2021 IIROC IP will disseminate on a T+1 (at 5:00 pm ET) basis, post-trade information for trades in corporate and government debt securities executed by those banks listed in Schedule I, II or III of the Bank Act (Canada) ("Banks") that do not currently report their debt transactions to the MTRS 2.0.



High Level Approach

- IIROC will publish Notice in next few weeks which will lay out the process, contact information, and high-level timeline
- Will leverage MTRS 2.0 and the process used currently to onboard reporting entities

STEPS

- Enrolment of participating Schedule I, II, & III banks to confirm:
 - contact information
 - expected trading volume
 - appropriate connectivity method
- Information Sessions
 - Share Data Specifications and other connectivity documents
- Set schedule for testing and certification of data transfers
- Soft launch
- Full implementation on May 31, 2021



- Leveraging the MTRS 2.0 Transaction Reporting Gateway (reporting options below)
- Regardless of reporting option, Schedule I, II and III banks will be required to enrol and certify with IIROC
- Encourage banks to proactively reach out to IIROC to begin the process as soon as possible

| Reporting Option | Recommended Use |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) | have large numbers of transactions and/or have automated their process |
| Manual Upload | have small numbers of transactions |



Supporting Documentation

- Enrolment and Certification Manual (the "Certification Manual") persons and
 companies that are not currently providing information to IIROC IP regarding their
 trades in corporate and government debt securities will have to complete certain
 enrolment and certification tasks.
- Debt Securities Transaction Reporting MTRS 2.0 User Guide (the "User Guide") includes instructions for data contributors that are required to report trades in debt securities to IIROC in accordance with IIROC Rule 2800C and/or National Instrument 21-101.
- MTRS 2.0 Transaction Reporting Gateway Guide (the "Gateway Guide") covers the specifications of the MTRS 2.0 Transaction Reporting Gateway and
 includes information on account management, connectivity and file transmission
 procedures.



IIROC Role as Regulator versus Role as IP

| Entities subject to IIROC Rule 2800C | Entities not subject to IIROC Rule 2800C |
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| Debt Surveillance team plays a direct role in ensuring compliance with 2800C, including the integrity and timeliness of the reporting | IIROC IP shall: contact the person or company where discrepancies were identified; If discrepancies continue to occur, then IIROC IP shall refer the matter to the relevant person or company's CSA jurisdiction; Should the matter remain unsolved, CSA staff will engage the Bank of Canada |
| IIROC's Trading Conduct Compliance team also test data quality as part of their audits | |

Update on Bulk Downloads / Future Enhancements

- Bulk download facility Update
- Website Enhancements under Discussion
 - Improve experience for retail and small institutional investors
 - Improve search capability
 - Provide ability to track a set of bonds
 - Interactive data lookup and summary
 - Yield and volume over time visualizations
- Will consult



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Summary Statistics

- Since July 2016, over 20 million debt trading transactions have been reported through MTRS2.0 to IIROC in compliance with Rule 2800C by 118 IIROC Dealer Members
- Since July 2016, 4.95 million qualifying* corporate debt trading transactions have been published on the Debt IP website
 - 2,701 issues
 - 620 issuers
 - 271,498 transactions shown with volume cap
 - \$748B capped volume (\$2.2T total uncapped volume)
- Since August 31 2020, 48,951 qualifying** government debt trading transactions have been published on the Debt IP website
 - 1.642 issues
 - 412 issuers
 - 9,605 transactions shown with volume cap
 - \$87B capped volume (\$312B total uncapped volume)



^{*}Secondary Market only; Money Market excluded; Corporate Strip Bonds Excluded

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Trade Reporting and Debt IP Processing

Average Processing Statistics



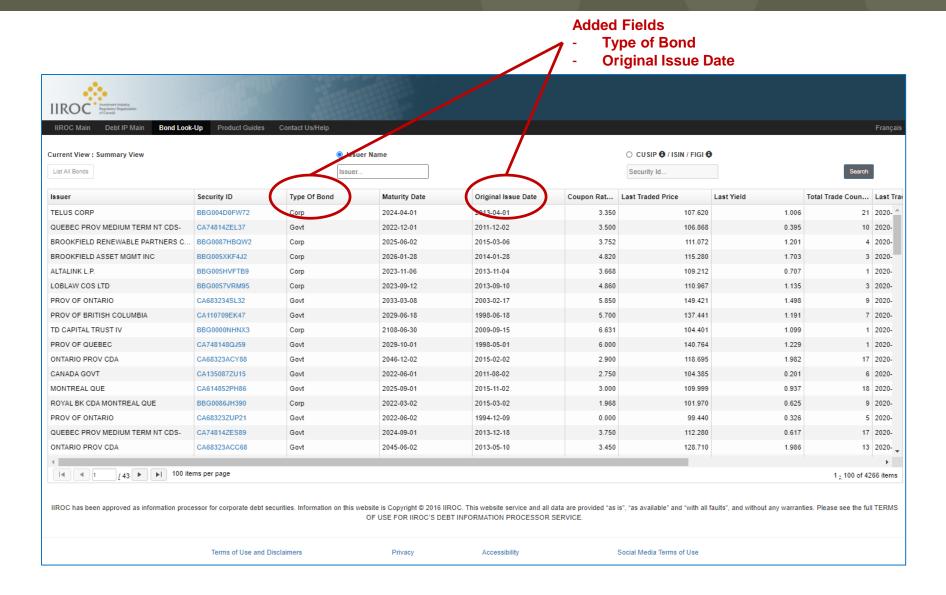
| Trade Data Reporting | Deadline |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Dealers report executed Debt/Repo trades using IIROC secure gateway, csv file or website form as per Dealer Member Rule 2800C | On or before 10pm |

| Debt Data Processing Steps | Scheduled Start | Average Processing Time |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Debt Reference Data Load (CUSIP, Ratings, BoC, Dealer Profile) | T at 10pm | 7 min |
| 2. Debt Trade Processing (Debt & Repo Trades Loaded to Debt Data Warehouse) | T at ~10:07pm | 40 min |
| 3. Debt IP Reference Data Load (FIGI, Bank LEI Exclusion) | T at ~10:50pm | 51 sec |
| 4. Debt IP Data Processing (Load Debt IP DB with Eligible Trades from Debt DW and publish view to Debt IP website) | T+1 at 4:55pm | 11 sec |

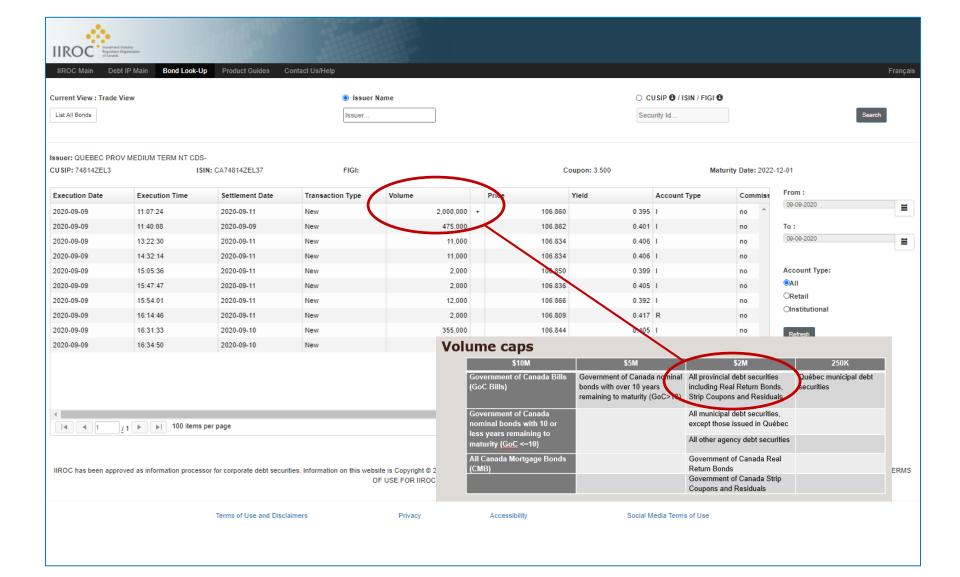
Service Level Objective (SLO) – New trades are to be available on website at latest 5pm, T+1



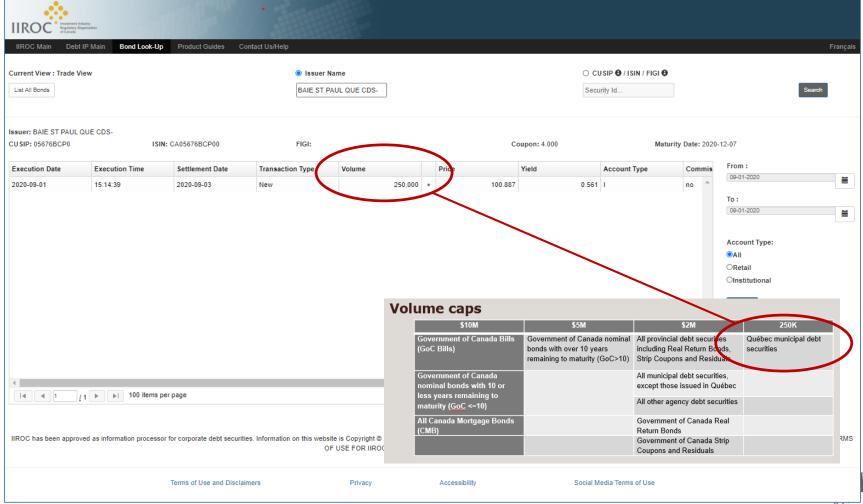
Screenshot of Summary Page



Application of Volume Cap (Provincial Bond)

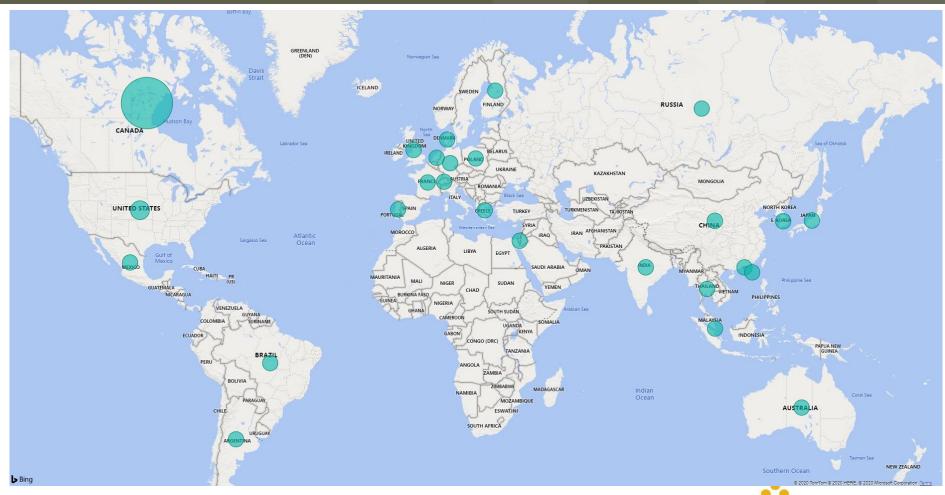


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Website Usage

Last six months



Website usage originated from 26 countries Top 5 – Canada, USA, Japan, China, UK