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Date: December 24, 2012

To: Permit Holders
From: Scott Speer
RE: Apollo Residential Mortgage, Inc. ("AMTG")
CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT FOR SPECIAL CASH DIVIDEND
Ex-Date: December 27, 2012

Apollo Residential Mortgage, Inc. ("AMTG") has declared a special cash dividend of **$0.35** per share on its outstanding Real Estate Investment Trust "REIT" shares. The special cash dividend has a record date of December 31, 2012 and a payable date of January 31, 2013. **The ex-distribution date will be on Thursday, December 27, 2012.**

THE FOREGOING DISCUSSION IS AN UNOFFICIAL SUMMARY OF THE TERMS OF THE SPECIAL DIVIDEND, PREPARED BY CBOE FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF ITS PERMIT HOLDERS. CBOE ACCEPTS NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THIS SUMMARY. PERMIT HOLDERS SHOULD REFER TO APOLLO RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE, INC. NEWS RELEASE DATED DECEMBER 14, 2012, FOR THE AUTHORITATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE SPECIAL DIVIDEND AND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Contract Adjustment for the Special Cash Dividend

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 11 and 11A of OCC's By-Laws, all outstanding AMTG option series will be adjusted to reflect this special cash dividend as follows: **On Thursday, December 27, 2012, each AMTG series shall be adjusted by decreasing the strike price by $0.35, the amount of the cash dividend, rounded to the nearest 1/100th.** The option symbols for the adjusted contracts will remain the same. Premiums and strike-price amounts for the adjusted AMTG options will continue to be calculated on the basis of a multiplier of 100, i.e., for premium and strike-price extensions, 1 point of premium or strike price will equal $100. [Any FLEX series that may exist will be adjusted in a similar manner to the standardized option.]

Adjusted Option Symbols

On Thursday, December 27, 2012, trading in AMTG series will be on an adjusted basis. At 8:30 A.M., Chicago time, an opening rotation will be effected with the following adjustments:

EXISTING SERIES					ADJUSTED SERIES*			
AMTG	5.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	4.65	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	7.50	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	7.15	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	10.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	9.65	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	12.50	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	12.15	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	15.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	14.65	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	17.50	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	17.15	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	20.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	19.65	2013-01-19	C/P

EXISTING SERIES					ADJUSTED SERIES*			
AMTG	22.50	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	22.15	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	25.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	24.65	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	30.00	2013-01-19	C/P	=>	AMTG	29.65	2013-01-19	C/P
AMTG	7.50	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	7.15	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	10.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	9.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	12.50	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	12.15	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	15.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	14.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	17.50	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	17.15	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	20.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	19.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	22.50	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	22.15	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	25.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	24.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	30.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	29.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	35.00	2013-02-16	C/P	=>	AMTG	34.65	2013-02-16	C/P
AMTG	12.50	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	12.15	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	15.00	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	14.65	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	17.50	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	17.15	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	20.00	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	19.65	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	22.50	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	22.15	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	25.00	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	24.65	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	30.00	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	29.65	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	35.00	2013-05-18	C/P	=>	AMTG	34.65	2013-05-18	C/P
AMTG	12.50	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	12.15	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	15.00	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	14.65	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	17.50	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	17.15	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	20.00	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	19.65	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	22.50	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	22.15	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	25.00	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	24.65	2013-08-17	C/P
AMTG	30.00	2013-08-17	C/P	=>	AMTG	29.65	2013-08-17	C/P

*** Any additional AMTG series that are added prior to the ex-date will also be adjusted in the manner described above.**

GTC Order Conversion

On Wednesday, December 26, 2012, immediately after the CBOE close, the system will convert or cancel all resting orders in the AMTG order book. If your firm has requested, all booked orders (phone, wire, and electronic) and all ORS orders residing outside the book (booth or crowd routed) will be converted reflecting the adjustment. If your firm has requested, all booked orders and ORS orders residing outside of the book will be canceled. If your firm receives CXL drops, the CXL confirm will print at your booth at 3:15 p.m. ORS CXLs will also be transmitted electronically to your branches.

A report will be available at the Help Desk listing the orders that are converted or canceled. If converted, this list will also show how the new orders will be adjusted. This report will be available on request anytime during the day prior to the night of the adjustment.

Position and Exercise Limits

The CBOE Department of Market Regulation has determined that: "The position and exercise limits following this cash distribution will remain the same."

Questions regarding this memo can be addressed to Options Industry Services at 1-888-OPTIONS (1-888-678-4667). CBOE contract adjustment memos can also be accessed from CBOE.com at the following web address:

http://www.cboe.com/ContractAdjustments