

S&P Dow Jones Indices Announces Methodology Changes to the S&P Enhanced Yield North American Preferred Stock Index

New York, NY, February 10, 2015: S&P Dow Jones Indices today announced that it has made changes to the S&P Enhanced Yield North American Preferred Stock Index methodology. The following changes will be effective with the April 2015 rebalance.

- A liquidity buffer has been added for current index components. Pre-existing index constituents must maintain a three-month average daily value traded of US\$ 750,000 to remain eligible for inclusion at each rebalance. The liquidity requirement for new issues will remain at \$US 1 million.
- For universe selection at rebalance, existing constituents ranked within the top 75 highest yielding issues will now remain in the index, assuming all other selection criteria is satisfied and that no non-constituent issues rank in the top 25. In the event that a non-constituent issue ranks among the top 25 eligible issues, it is selected for index inclusion and the lowest yielding existing index constituent ranked 51-75 is deleted.

The methodology document located on the S&P Dow Jones Indices website (<http://us.spindices.com>) has been updated to reflect these changes.

The S&P Enhanced Yield North American Preferred Stock Index is designed to serve the investment community's need for an investable benchmark representing the highest yielding members of the North American preferred stock market.

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