

Business Continuity Disclosure

Jefferies Financial Group Inc. and its affiliates (Jefferies) maintain an enterprise-wide business continuity program to assess and manage the potential impacts of an emergency or significant business disruption on its business operations.

Jefferies has established an effective response capability to recover its critical business processes that regards personnel life safety as priority and safeguards the interests of its key stakeholders, reputation, and financial standing. Such critical business functions include entering of client orders, completing securities transactions, and providing clients access to their cash and securities.

Consistent with regulatory requirements, Jefferies provides this disclosure statement to its clients summarizing the program. Due to the proprietary nature of some information, detailed plans for the program cannot be publicly disseminated.

The business continuity program begins with each business unit's review and assessment of its business continuity risks and identification of its critical business processes. A business continuity strategy or solution is then selected to meet the requirements of resuming critical business processes within their target timelines and at an acceptable level of service. Exercises and tests are conducted at least annually to validate the effectiveness over time of the business continuity strategy and plans. Individual business unit business continuity plans are reviewed and updated annually, or as significant business changes occur.

The business continuity plan is designed to enable Jefferies to meet its existing obligations to its clients in the event of disruptions of varying scope and severity. This includes localized incidents affecting one of several Jefferies office buildings and citywide or regional disruptive events. It also addresses workforce unavailability, where a significant number of personnel may be unable to work at their normal business locations. Jefferies leverages its remote work technology and regional and out-of-region office locations to recover critical business functions, data, and system applications including alternative procedures to enable continued functionality. The business continuity plan has been reasonably designed to allow Jefferies to continue its business, likely at a reduced capacity, and safeguard the interests of its clients. The Firm expects to be able to meet its client obligations within the day.

While Jefferies' business continuity plan has been reasonably designed to allow the Firm to operate during an emergency or business disruption of varying scope and severity, such potential incidents are unpredictable. The Firm has no control over certain infrastructure such as utilities, communication networks, transportation, and third-party providers that Jefferies may rely upon during an emergency. Because of the unpredictable and unknown nature of a potential future business disruption, Jefferies cannot guarantee that its systems will always be available or able to be recovered in the event of a severe business disruption. Jefferies' business continuity plan is subject to change without notice. Nothing contained in this document amends or changes any of the terms set forth in any agreements between Jefferies and any of its customers.