Proposal to Revise the OPTN Charter

OPTN Executive Committee

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Purpose of Proposal

- The OPTN Charter outlines the purpose of the OPTN, its Board and governance structure, and its membership.
- The current OPTN Contract requires the OPTN Contractor to work with the OPTN Board of Directors to review the Charter to ensure that it is specific to the OPTN and encompasses all aspects of OPTN operations.
- During the review, the OPTN Executive Committee identified some revisions that will eliminate redundancy and enhance consistency with both NOTA and the Final Rule.

Proposal

The proposed revisions include:

- Align description of OPTN's non-profit status with NOTA
- Mirror language of Final Rule with regard to Board composition
- Strike language regarding election as is duplicative with OPTN bylaw language
- Combine membership categories from five to three to match those in the Final Rule
- Other administrative changes to better match regulatory language

Member Actions

- No impact on OPTN Members or the OPTN
- The proposed revisions to the OPTN Charter are intended to assure the OPTN Charter remains consistent with NOTA and the Final Rule, accurately reflects the relationship between the OPTN and the OPTN Contractor, and covers all aspects of OPTN operations