

# Accounting Theory Behind Repo 105 / 108

♦ Summary of FAS140, "Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets"

The transferor has sold assets if and only if all of the following conditions are met:

- 9 (a) The transferred assets have been isolated from the transferor...
- 9 (b) Each transferee has the right to pledge or exchange the assets and no condition constrains the transferee
- 9 (c) The transferor does not maintain effective control over the transferred assets
- Repo transactions are normally recorded on the balance sheet as financings. Under certain circumstances we get 'true-sale' treatment we get to treat the repo as a sale.

Legal opinion obtained from Linklaters (for LBIE)

A repo under a Global Master Repurchase Agreement [GMRA] is a 'true-sale'

9 (a) 9 (c)

For tri-party the Euroclear 're-use' option is active

For equity securities we ensure that voting rights have been transferred

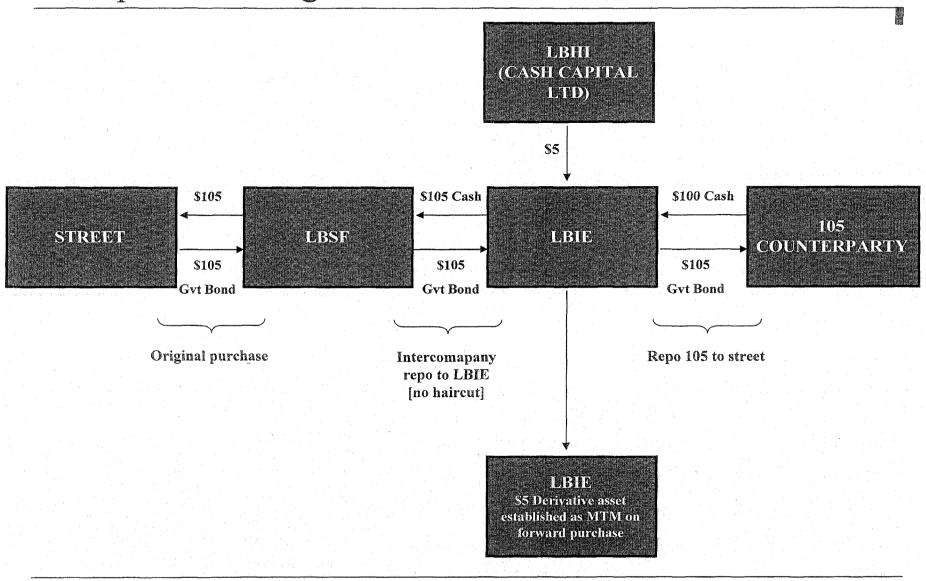
9 (b)

Above normal market haircut 105% for Fixed Income and 108% for Equities

Additional haircut implies that we have insufficient cash to repurchase assets and therefore they are 'sold'

9 (c)

# Example Flow Diagram

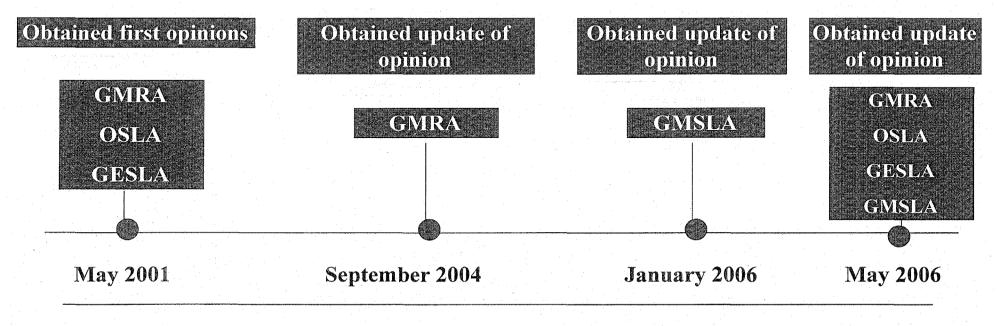


### Operating Rules

- Trades should only be done on readily obtainable securities (Operating procedure requirement, not a GAAP requirement)
- Fixed Income securities executed with a haircut of 105% and equity securities of 108%
- Re-use agreements are needed for triparty repo
- ♦ For equity securities Lehman gives up voting rights per agreement
- ♦ Repo 105 is capped at \$17B (1 x leverage) [per Chris O'Meara and Ed Grieb]
- Repo 108 is capped at \$5B [per Chris O'Meara and Ed Grieb]
- ♠ Repo 105 transactions must be executed on a continual basis and remain in force throughout the month. To meet this requirement, the amount outstanding at any time should be maintained at approximately 80% of the amount at month – end. [per Chris O'Meara and Ed Grieb]

# Status of Legal Opinions

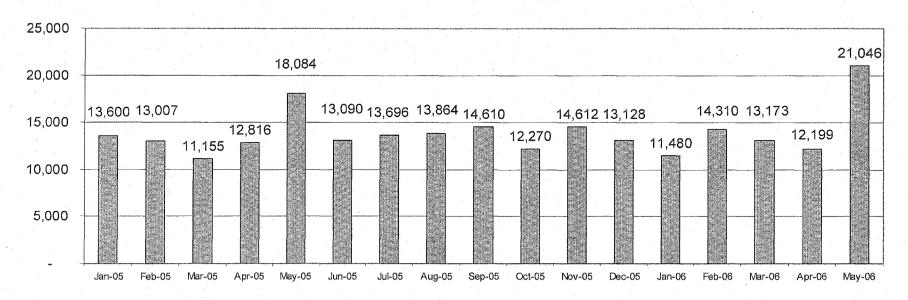
- Agreements are in place with the following organizations:
  - GMRA (Global Master Repurchase Agreement)
  - OSLA (Overseas Securities Lending Agreement) never used
  - GESLA (Master Gilt Edged Stock Lending Agreement) never used
  - GMSLA (Global Master Securities Lending Agreement) never used



# Monthly Trend

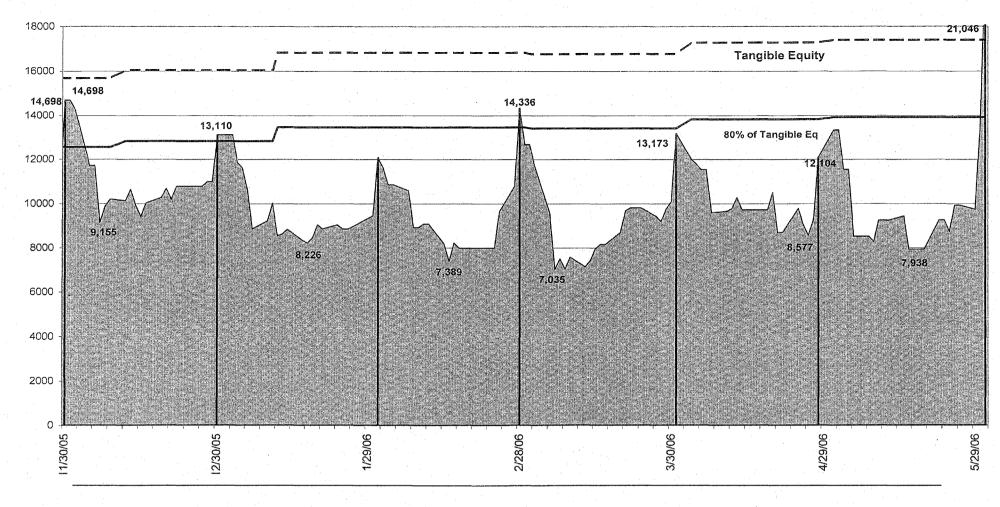
- ♦ Total Repo 105 usage reached a record high of \$21B for May quarter end
- ♦ Repo108 for equity securities was introduced as at May 2006 [\$0.6B]

#### REPO 105 Month – End Trend \$ Million



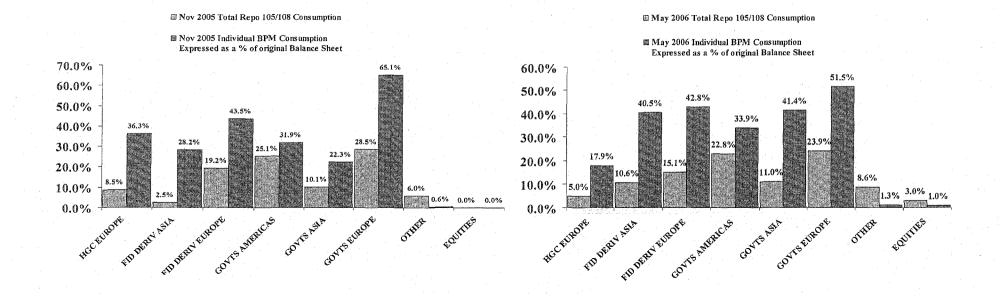
# Daily Trend

♦ Total Repo 105 / 108 usage has not been maintained at 80% Tangible equity intra month.



### **Business Benefit**

November 2005 \$14.6B May 2006 \$21.4B



# Who uses Repo 105?

Goldman Sachs	
Merrill Lynch	
Morgan Stanley	
Bear Stearns	
JP Morgan Chase	

# Next Steps

- ◆Review with E&Y (as part of review of Netting Grid)
- ◆Communicate again the Operating Rule around 80% minimum intramonth level
- ◆Frequently review legal agreements and opinions to ensure appropriate documents are in place [eg, tri-party re-use agreements]