On Monday, April 23, 2012 from 2-3pm, Occupy the SEC (OSEC) and Americans for Financial Reform (AFR) will conduct a staff briefing on the Volcker Rule, an important part of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. We will provide an overview of the rule, discuss common critiques of the rule, and address its implications for financial stability and other public policy issues.

This will be a staff-only briefing and will be closed to the press. There will be a 20-25 minute presentation on the Volcker Rule, followed by Q&A's.

The Volcker Rule continues to make headlines, a testament to both the challenges of implementing it and the importance of doing so. The latest comes from the <u>recent oped in the Wall Street Journal</u> by the former head of global debt markets at Merrill Lynch. This briefing is an opportunity to ask questions and get clarification on the Rule and its implications.

Occupy the SEC is a group of concerned citizens, activists, and financial professionals with decades of collective experience working at many of the largest financial firms in the industry. In February, Occupy the SEC filed a 325-page comment letter on the Volcker Rule NPR, which is available at http://occupythesec.org.

Location: 106 Dirksen Senate Office Building

Time:

Monday, April 23, 2012 2:00 - 3:00pm

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