# Alternative Reference Rates Committee (ARRC) Minutes for the April 22, 2020 Meeting

The ARRC Chair noted that the Committee achieved an important milestone by agreeing on a recommended spread adjustment methodology at the last ARRC meeting for market participants' voluntary use. The Chair noted that members must now work to finalize the implementation details around the recommended spread adjustment methodology and asked Fed staff to provide an overview of a potential supplemental consultation that the Committee could consider releasing to seek input on the outstanding technical details. Members discussed areas where public input could be helpful, including whether, for a particular tenor of LIBOR, market participants prefer to apply the same spread adjustment calculation methodology as ISDA or prefer to apply the same numerical result as the ISDA calculation. The ARRC Chair requested that members provide feedback on the plan for a supplemental spread adjustment consultation to the ARRC Secretariat. That potential follow up consultation on implementation questions, if pursued, would accompany a published summary of the results to the initial consultation.

The ARRC Chair noted that the Committee should consider how it can best support the industry's transition away from LIBOR while remaining sensitive to the uncertainty and stresses arising from the ongoing pandemic. In this context, members generally agreed that it would be beneficial for the ARRC to finalize and release its recommended best practices for the transition as soon as practicable.

In closing, the ARRC Chair noted that that Committee would schedule an interim meeting in early-May to further discuss these matters.

## Attendance at the April 22, 2020 Meeting

#### **ARRC Members**

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Kyle Lynch\*

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Government Finance Officers Association Emily Brock\*

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