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Level 2 Regulation
Regulation 2017/566 - RTS on the ratio of unexecuted orders to transactions (RTS 9)

Level 3 Regulation
ESMA70-872942901-38 - Q&A on MiFID II and MiFIR market structures topics

Topic
Direct Electronic Access and algorithmic trading

Subject Matter
Order-counting methodology for bulk quotes

Question
In the context of RTS 9, which is the order-counting methodology for bulk quotes?

ESMA Answer

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A bulk quote is a bundle of multiple quotes, possibly on several financial instruments. As per Article 3 of RTS 9, where the methodology for counting orders for a specific order type is not detailed, the trading venue “shall count the messages in accordance with the general system behind the methodology outlined and on the basis of the most similar order type appearing in the Annex”. According to the methodology in RTS 9, calculations should be performed at the level of each financial instrument and, furthermore, the Annex specifies that each quote should be counted as two orders (one for the buy side and one for the sell side). Accordingly, each order/quote sent within a bulk quote, should be treated individually and be counted as specified in the Annex of RTS 9.