BOULDER GROWTH & INCOME FUND Form 40-17G March 31, 2010

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INVESTMENT COMPANY BLANKET BOND St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company St. Paul, Minnesota 55102-1396 (A Stock Insurance Company, herein called Underwriter)

DECLARATIONS BOND NO. 480PB0595

Item 1. Name of Insured (herein called Insured): BOULDER TOTAL RETURN FUND, INC. Principal Address: 2344 SPRUCE STREET, SUITE A BOULDER, CO 80302

Item Bond Period from 12:01 a.m. on 02/19/10 to 12:01 a.m. on 02/19/11 the effective date of the termination or 2. cancellation of the bond, standard time at the Principal Address as to each of said dates.

Item 3. Subject to Sections 9, 10, and 12 hereof:

Limit of Deductible Liability Amount Insuring Agreement A -FIDELITY \$ 2,625,000 \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement B -AUDIT EXPENSE \$ 25,000 \$ 1,000 Insuring Agreement C -PREMISES \$ 2,625,000 \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement D -TRANSIT \$ 2,625,000 \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement E -FORGERY OR **ALTERATION** 2,625,000 \$ \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement F -SECURITIES \$ 2,625,000 \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement G -COUNTERFEIT **CURRENCY** \$ 2,625,000 \$ 25,000 Insuring Agreement H -STOP PAYMENT \$ \$ 100,000 10,000 Insuring Agreement I -UNCOLLECTIBLE **ITEMS OF DEPOSIT** \$ 100,000 \$ 10,000

OPTIONAL COVERAGES ADDED BY RIDER: \$2,625,000 \$25,000 Limit of Liability

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SYSTEMS		
UNAUTHORIZED		
SIGNATURE	\$2,625,000	\$25,000
EXTORTION	\$2,625,000	\$25,000
SIGNATURE	. , ,	. ,

If "Not Covered" is inserted above opposite any specified Insuring Agreement or Coverage, such Insuring Agreement or Coverage and any other reference thereto in this bond shall be deemed to be deleted therefrom.

Item Offices or Premises Covered -Offices acquired or established subsequent to the effective date of this bond are

4. covered according to the terms of General Agreement A. All the Insured's offices or premises in existence at the time this bond becomes effective are covered under this bond except the offices or premises located as follows:

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Item The liability of the Underwriter is subject to the terms of the following endorsements or riders attached hereto:5. Endorsements or Riders No. 1 through

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Item The Insured by the acceptance of this bond gives notice to the Underwriter terminating or canceling prior bonds

6. or policy(ies) No.(s) 480PB0536 such termination or cancellation to be effective as of the time this bond becomes effective.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this bond to be signed by its President and Secretary and countersigned by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

Countersigned:

ST. PAUL FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY

Authorized Representative		Countersigned at	
Countersignature Date Secretary	President	/s/D. Dahlberg	/s/Brian MacLean

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INVESTMENT COMPANY BLANKET BOND

The Underwriter, in consideration of an agreed premium, and subject to the Declarations made a part hereof, the General Agreements, Conditions and Limitations and other terms of this bond, agrees with the Insured, in accordance with the Insuring Agreements hereof to which an amount of insurance is applicable as set forth in Item 3 of the Declarations and with respect to loss sustained by the Insured at any time but discovered during the Bond Period, to indemnify and hold harmless the Insured for:

INSURING AGREEMENTS

(A) FIDELITY

Loss resulting from any dishonest or fraudulent act(s), including Larceny or Embezzlement, committed by an Employee, committed anywhere and whether committed alone or in collusion with others, including loss of Property resulting from such acts of an Employee, which Property is held by the Insured for any purpose or in any capacity and whether so held gratuitously or not and whether or not the Insured is liable therefor.

Dishonest or fraudulent act(s) as used in this Insuring Agreement shall mean only dishonest or fraudulent act(s) committed by such Employee with the manifest intent:

- (a) to cause the Insured to sustain such loss; and
- (b) to obtain financial benefit for the Employee, or for any other Person or organization intended by the Employee to receive such benefit, other than salaries, commissions, fees, bonuses, promotions, awards, profit sharing, pensions or other employee benefits earned in the normal course of employment.

(B) AUDIT EXPENSE

Expense incurred by the Insured for that part of the costs of audits or examinations required by any governmental regulatory authority to be conducted either by such authority or by an independent accountant by reason of the discovery of loss sustained by the Insured through any dishonest or fraudulent act(s), including Larceny or Embezzlement, of any of the Employees. The total liability of the Underwriter for such expense by reason of such acts of any Employee or in which such Employee is concerned or implicated or with respect to any one audit or examination is limited to the amount stated opposite Audit Expense in Item 3 of the Declarations; it being understood, however, that such expense shall be deemed to be a loss sustained by the Insured through any dishonest or fraudulent act(s), including Larceny or Embezzlement, of one or more of the Employees, and the liability under this paragraph shall be in addition to the Limit of Liability stated in Insuring Agreement (A) in Item 3 of the Declarations.

(C) ON PREMISES

Loss of Property (occurring with or without negligence or violence) through robbery, burglary, Larceny, theft, holdup, or other fraudulent means, misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, damage thereto or destruction thereof, abstraction or removal from the possession, custody or control of the Insured, and loss of subscription, conversion, redemption or deposit privileges through the misplacement or loss of Property, while the Property is (or is supposed or believed by the Insured to be) lodged or deposited within any offices or premises located anywhere, except in an office listed in Item 4 of the Declarations or amendment thereof or in the mail or with a

carrier for hire, other than an armored motor vehicle company, for the purpose of transportation.

Office and Equipment

- (1) loss of or damage to furnishings, fixtures, stationery, supplies or equipment, within any of the Insured's offices covered under this bond caused by Larceny or theft in, or by burglary, robbery or hold-up of, such office, or attempt thereat, or by vandalism or malicious mischief; or
- (2) loss through damage to any such office by Larceny or theft in, or by burglary, robbery or hold-up of, such office, or attempt thereat, or to the interior of any such office by vandalism or malicious mischief provided, in any event, that the Insured is the owner of such offices, furnishings, fixtures, stationery, supplies or equipment or is legally liable for such loss or damage always excepting, however, all loss or damage through fire.

(D) IN TRANSIT

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Loss of Property (occurring with or without negligence or violence) through robbery, Larceny, theft, hold-up, misplacement, mysterious unexplainable disappearance, being lost or otherwise made away with, damage thereto or destruction thereof, and loss of subscription, conversion, redemption or deposit privileges through the misplacement or loss of Property, while the Property is in transit anywhere in the custody of any person or persons acting as messenger, except while in the mail or with a carrier for hire, other than an armored motor vehicle company, for the purpose of transportation, such transit to begin immediately upon receipt of such Property by the transporting person or persons, and to end immediately upon delivery thereof at destination.

(E) FORGERY OR ALTERATION

Loss through Forgery or alteration of or on:

- (1) any bills of exchange, checks, drafts, acceptances, certificates of deposit, promissory notes, or other written promises, orders or directions to pay sums certain in money, due bills, money orders, warrants, orders upon public treasuries, letters of credit; or
- (2) other written instructions, advices or applications directed to the Insured authorizing or acknowledging the transfer: payment, delivery or receipt of funds or Property, which instructions, advices or applications purport to have been signed or endorsed by any:

(a) customer of the Insured, or

- (b) shareholder or subscriber to shares whether certificated or uncertificated, of any Investment Company, or
 - (c) financial or banking institution or stockbroker,

but which instructions, advices or applications either bear the forged signature or endorsement or have been altered without the knowledge and consent of such customer shareholder or subscriber to shares, or financial or banking institution' or stockbroker; or

(3) withdrawal orders or receipts for the withdrawal of funds or Property, or receipts or certificates of

deposit for Property and bearing the name of the Insured as issuer or of another Investment Company for which the Insured acts as agent,

excluding, however, any loss covered under Insuring Agreement (F) hereof whether or not coverage for Insuring Agreement (F) is provided for in the Declarations of this bond.

Any check or draft (a) made payable to a fictitious payee and endorsed in the name of such fictitious payee or (b) procured in a transaction with the maker or drawer thereof or with one acting as an agent of such maker or drawer or anyone impersonating another and made or drawn payable to the one so impersonated and endorsed by anyone other than the one impersonated, shall be deemed to be forged as to such endorsement.

Mechanically reproduced facsimile signatures are treated the same as handwritten signatures.

(F) SECURITIES

Loss sustained by the Insured, including loss sustained by reason of a violation of the constitution by-laws, rules or regulations of any Self Regulatory Organization of which the Insured is a member or which would have been imposed upon the Insured by the constitution, by-laws, rules or regulations of any Self Regulatory Organization if the Insured had been a member thereof,

(1) through the Insured's having, in good faith and in the course of business, whether for its own account or for the account of others, in any representative, fiduciary, agency or any other capacity, either gratuitously or otherwise, purchased or otherwise acquired, accepted or received, or sold or delivered, or given any value, extended any credit or assumed any liability, on the faith of, or otherwise acted upon, any securities, documents or other written instruments which prove to have been:

(a) counterfeited, or

- (b) forged as to the signature of any maker, drawer, issuer, endorser, assignor, lessee, transfer agent or registrar, acceptor, surety or guarantor or as to the signature of any person signing in any other capacity, or
 - (c) raised or otherwise altered or lost, or stolen, or
- (2) through the Insured's having, in good faith and in the course of business, guaranteed in writing or witnessed any signatures whether for valuable consideration or not and whether or not such guaranteeing or witnessing is ultra vires the Insured, upon any transfers,

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assignments, bills of sale, powers of attorney, guarantees, endorsements or other obligations upon or in connection with any securities, documents or other written instruments and which pass or purport to pass title to such securities, documents or other written instruments; excluding losses caused by Forgery or alteration of, on or in those instruments covered under Insuring Agreement (E) hereof.

Securities, documents or other written instruments shall be deemed to mean original (including original counterparts) negotiable or non-negotiable agreements which in and of themselves represent an equitable interest, ownership, or debt, including an assignment thereof, which instruments are, in

the ordinary course of business, transferable by delivery of such agreements with any necessary endorsement or assignment.

The word "counterfeited" as used in this Insuring Agreement shall be deemed to mean any security, document or other written instrument which is intended to deceive and to be taken for an original.

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(G) COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY

Loss through the receipt by the Insured, in good faith, of any counterfeited money orders or altered paper currencies or coin of the United States of America or Canada issued or purporting to have been issued by the United States of America or Canada or issued pursuant to a United States of America or Canada statute for use as currency.

(H) STOP PAYMENT

Loss against any and all sums which the Insured shall become obligated to pay by reason of the liability imposed upon the Insured by law for damages:

For having either complied with or failed to comply with any written notice of any customer, shareholder or subscriber of the Insured or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber to stop payment of any check or draft made or drawn by such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber, or

For having refused to pay any check or draft made or drawn by any customer, shareholder or subscriber of the Insured or any Authorized Representative of such customer, shareholder or subscriber.

(I) UNCOLLECTIBLE ITEMS OF DEPOSIT

Loss resulting from payments of dividends or fund shares, or withdrawals permitted from any customer's, shareholder's, or subscriber's account based upon Uncollectible Items of Deposit of a customer, shareholder or subscriber credited by the Insured or the Insured's agent to such customer's, shareholder's or subscriber's Mutual Fund Account; or loss resulting from an Item of Deposit processed through an Automated Clearing House which is reversed by the customer, shareholder or subscriber and deemed uncollectible by the Insured.

Loss includes dividends and interest accrued not to exceed 15% of the Uncollectible Items which are deposited.

This Insuring Agreement applies to all Mutual Funds with "exchange privileges" if all Fund(s) in the exchange program are insured by the Underwriter for Uncollectible Items of Deposit. Regardless of the number of transactions between Fund(s), the minimum number of days of deposit within the Fund(s) before withdrawal as declared in the Fund(s) prospectus shall begin from the date a deposit was first credited to any Insured Fund(s).

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GENERAL AGREEMENTS

A. ADDITIONAL OFFICES OR EMPLOYEES -CONSOLIDATION OR MERGER -NOTICE

- (1) If the Insured shall, while this bond is in force, establish any additional office or offices, such offices shall be automatically covered hereunder from the dates of their establishment, respectively. No notice to the Underwriter of an increase during any premium period in the number of offices or in the number of Employees at any of the offices covered hereunder need be given and no additional premium need be paid for the remainder of such premium period.
- (2) If an Investment Company, named as Insured herein, shall, while this bond is in force, merge or consolidate with, or purchase the assets of another institution, coverage for such acquisition shall apply automatically

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from the date of acquisition. The Insured shall notify the Underwriter of such acquisition within 60 days of said date, and an additional premium shall be computed only if such acquisition involves additional offices or employees.

B. WARRANTY

No statement made by or on behalf of the Insured, whether contained in the application or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a warranty of anything except that it is true to the best of the knowledge and belief of the person making the statement.

C. COURT COSTS AND ATTORNEYS' FEES

(Applicable to all Insuring Agreements or Coverages now or hereafter forming part of this bond)

The Underwriter will indemnify the Insured against court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred and paid by the Insured in defense, whether or not successful, whether or not fully litigated on the merits and whether or not settled, of any suit or legal proceeding brought against the Insured to enforce the Insured's liability or alleged liability on account of any loss, claim or damage which, if established against the Insured, would constitute a loss sustained by the Insured covered under the terms of this bond provided, however, that with respect to Insuring Agreement (A) this indemnity shall apply only in the event that:

- (1) an Employee admits to being guilty of any dishonest or fraudulent act(s), including Larceny or Embezzlement; or
- (2) an Employee is adjudicated to be guilty of any dishonest or fraudulent act(s), including Larceny or Embezzlement;
- (3) in the absence of (1) or (2) above an arbitration panel agrees, after a review of an agreed statement of facts, that an Employee would be found guilty of dishonesty if such Employee were prosecuted.

The Insured shall promptly give notice to the Underwriter of any such suit or legal proceedings and at the request of the Underwriter shall furnish it with copies of all pleadings and other papers therein. At the Underwriter's election the Insured shall permit the Underwriter to conduct the defense of such suit or legal proceeding, in the Insured's name, through attorneys of the Underwriter's selection. In such event, the Insured shall give all reasonable information and assistance which the Underwriter shall deem necessary to the proper defense of such suit or legal proceeding.

If the amount of the Insured's liability or alleged liability is greater than the amount recoverable under this bond, or if a Deductible Amount is applicable, or both, the liability of the Underwriter under this General Agreement is limited to the proportion of court costs and attorneys' fees incurred and paid by the Insured or by the Underwriter that the amount recoverable under this bond bears to the total of such amount plus the amount which is not so recoverable. Such indemnity shall be in addition to the Limit of Liability for the applicable Insuring Agreement or Coverage.

D. FORMER EMPLOYEE

Acts of an Employee, as defined in this bond, are covered under Insuring Agreement (A) only while the Employee is in the Insured's employ. Should loss involving a former Employee of the Insured be discovered subsequent to the termination of employment, coverage would still apply under Insuring Agreement (A) if the direct proximate cause of the loss occurred while the former Employee performed duties within the scope of his/her employment.

THE FOREGOING INSURING AGREEMENTS AND GENERAL AGREEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS

The following terms, as used in this bond have the respective meanings stated in this Section:

- (a) "Employee" means:
- (1) any of the Insured's officers, partners, or employees, and
- (2) any of the officers or employees of any predecessor of the Insured whose principal assets are acquired by the Insured by consolidation or merger with, or purchase of assets or capital stock of, such predecessor, and

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- (3) attorneys retained by the Insured to perform legal services for the Insured and the employees of such attorneys while such attorneys or employees of such attorneys are performing such services for the Insured, and
 - (4) guest students pursuing their studies or duties in any of the Insured's offices, and
- (5) directors or trustees of the Insured, the investment advisor, underwriter (distributor), transfer agent, or shareholder accounting record keeper, or administrator authorized by written agreement to keep financial and/or other required records, but only while performing acts coming within the scope of the usual duties of an officer or employee or while acting as a member of any committee duly elected or appointed to examine or audit or have custody of or access to the Property of the

Insured, and

- (6) any individual or individuals assigned to perform the usual duties of an employee within the premises of the Insured, by contract, or by any agency furnishing temporary personnel on a contingent or part--time basis, and
- (7) each natural person, partnership or corporation authorized by written agreement with the Insured to perform services as electronic data processor of checks or other accounting records of the Insured, but excluding any such processor who acts as transfer agent or in any other agency capacity in issuing checks, drafts or securities for the Insured, unless included under sub-section (9) hereof, and
 - (8) those persons so designated in Section 15, Central Handling of Securities, and

(9) any officer, partner, or Employee of:

(a) an investment advisor,

- (b) an underwriter (distributor),
- (c) a transfer agent or shareholder accounting record-keeper, or
- (d) an administrator authorized by written agreement to keep financial and/or other required records,

for an Investment Company named as Insured while performing acts coming within the scope of the usual duties of an officer or Employee of any investment Company named as Insured herein, or while acting as a member of any committee duly elected or appointed to examine or audit or have custody of or access to the Property of any such Investment Company, provided that only Employees or partners of a transfer agent, shareholder accounting record-keeper or administrator which is an affiliated person, as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, of an Investment Company named as Insured or is an affiliated person of the advisor, underwriter or administrator of such Investment Company, and which is not a bank, shall be included within the definition of Employee.

Each employer of temporary personnel or processors as set forth in sub-sections (6) and (7) of Section l(a) and their partners, officers and employees shall collectively be deemed to be one person for all the purposes of this bond, excepting, however, the last paragraph of Section 13.

Brokers, or other agents under contract or representatives of the same general character shall not be considered Employees.

(b) "Property" means money (i.e. currency, coin, bank notes, Federal Reserve notes), postage and revenue stamps, U.S. Savings Stamps, bullion, precious metals of all kinds and in any form and articles made therefrom, jewelry, watches, necklaces, bracelets, gems, precious and semi-precious stones, bonds, securities, evidences of debts, debentures, scrip, certificates, interim receipts, warrants, rights, puts, calls, straddles, spreads, transfers, coupons, drafts, bills of exchange, acceptances, notes, checks, withdrawal orders, money orders, warehouse receipts, bills of lading, conditional sales contracts, abstracts of title, insurance policies, deeds, mortgages under real estate and/or chattels and upon interests therein, and assignments of such policies, mortgages and instruments, and other

valuable papers, including books of account and other records used by the Insured in the conduct of its business, and all other instruments similar to or in the nature of the foregoing including Electronic Representations of such instruments enumerated above (but excluding all data processing records) in which the Insured has an interest or in which the Insured acquired or should have acquired an interest by reason of a predecessor's declared financial condition at the time of the Insured's consolidation or merger with, or purchase of the principal assets of, such predecessor or which are held by the Insured for any purpose or in any capacity and whether so held gratuitously or not and whether or not the Insured is liable therefor.

(c) "Forgery" means the signing of the name of another with intent to deceive; it does not include the signing of one's own name with or without authority, in any capacity, for any purpose.

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- (d) "Larceny and Embezzlement" as it applies to any named Insured means those acts as set forth in Section 37 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (e) "Items of Deposit" means any one or more checks and drafts. Items of Deposit shall not be deemed uncollectible until the Insured's collection procedures have failed.

SECTION 2. EXCLUSIONS

THIS BOND DOES NOT COVER:

- (a) loss effected directly or indirectly by means of forgery or alteration of, on or in any instrument, except when covered by Insuring Agreement (A), (E), (F) or (G).
- (b) loss due to riot or civil commotion outside the United States of America and Canada; or loss due to military, naval or usurped power, war or insurrection unless such loss occurs in transit in the circumstances recited in Insuring Agreement (D), and unless, when such transit was initiated, there was no knowledge of such riot, civil commotion, military, naval or usurped power, war or insurrection on the part of any person acting for the Insured in initiating such transit.
- (c) loss, in time of peace or war, directly or indirectly caused by or resulting from the effects of nuclear fission or fusion or radioactivity; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to loss resulting from industrial uses of nuclear energy.
- (d) loss resulting from any wrongful act or acts of any person who is a member of the Board of Directors of the Insured or a member of any equivalent body by whatsoever name known unless such person is also an Employee or an elected official, partial owner or partner of the Insured in some other capacity, nor, in any event, loss resulting from the act or acts of any person while acting in the capacity of a member of such Board or equivalent body.
- (e) loss resulting from the complete or partial non-payment of, or default upon, any loan or transaction in the nature of, or amounting to, a loan made by or obtained from the Insured or any of its partners, directors or Employees, whether authorized or unauthorized and whether procured in good faith or through trick, artifice fraud or false pretenses, unless such loss is covered under Insuring Agreement (A), (E) or (F).
 - (f) loss resulting from any violation by the Insured or by any Employee:

- (1) of law regulating (a) the issuance, purchase or sale of securities, (b) securities transactions upon Security Exchanges or over the counter market, (c) Investment Companies, or (d) Investment Advisors, or
 - (2) of any rule or regulation made pursuant to any such law.

unless such loss, in the absence of such laws, rules or regulations, would be covered under Insuring Agreements (A) or (E).

- (g) loss of Property or loss of privileges through the misplacement or loss of Property as set forth in Insuring Agreement (C) or (D) while the Property is in the custody of any armored motor vehicle company, unless such loss shall be in excess of the amount recovered or received by the Insured under (a) the Insured's contract with said armored motor vehicle company, (b) insurance carried by said armored motor vehicle company for the benefit of users of its service, and (c) all other insurance and indemnity in force in whatsoever form carried by or for the benefit of users of said armored motor vehicle company's service, and then this bond shall cover only such excess.
- (h) potential income, including but not limited to interest and dividends, not realized by the Insured because of a loss covered under this bond, except as included under Insuring Agreement (I).
- (i) all damages of any type for which the Insured is legally liable, except direct compensatory damages arising from a loss covered under this bond.
 - (j) loss through the surrender of Property away from an office of the Insured as a result of a threat:
- to do bodily harm to any person, except loss of Property in transit in the custody of any person acting as messenger provided that when such transit was initiated there was no knowledge by the Insured of any such threat, or

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- (2) to do damage to the premises or Property of the Insured, except when covered under Insuring Agreement (A).
- (k) all costs, fees and other expenses incurred by the Insured in establishing the existence of or amount of loss covered under this bond unless such indemnity is provided for under Insuring Agreement (B).
- (1) loss resulting from payments made or withdrawals from the account of a customer of the Insured, shareholder or subscriber to shares involving funds erroneously credited to such account, unless such payments are made to or withdrawn by such depositors or representative of such person, who is within the premises of the drawee bank of the Insured or within the office of the Insured at the time of such payment or withdrawal or unless such payment is covered under Insuring Agreement (A).
- (m) any loss resulting from Uncollectible Items of Deposit which are drawn from a financial institution outside the fifty states of the United States of America, District of Columbia, and territories and possessions of the United States of America, and Canada.