

**CREDIT** Advance®

Finance Your Investment  
Goals With a Margin Loan





- > No upfront fees, points or closing costs
- > No preset monthly payments
- > No prepayment penalty
- > Consolidated statement
- > Source of emergency funds
- > Quick and easy approval process

You work hard to generate wealth. You also understand that prudent risk plays an important role in your financial success. CreditAdvance—a multipurpose, secured, revolving line-of-credit—is a valuable margin lending tool that may enable you to manage the growth of your portfolio and may also help solve your liquidity needs.

## A Strategy for Growth

From covering discretionary expenditures to achieving investment objectives, CreditAdvance can help you finance your goals. Simply use the marginable securities in your account as collateral to obtain a loan for any purpose. Marginable securities include most investment vehicles listed on the New York Stock Exchange® or American Stock Exchange®, securities that are traded on the NASDAQ® and certain mutual funds.

With CreditAdvance, you can borrow up to 50% of the total purchase price of new or initial securities purchases when you deposit the remainder in your account (certain restrictions may apply). In other words, this source of funds means a higher level of investment than otherwise would be possible.

## Flexibility

With CreditAdvance, interest rates are competitive. There are no points, application fees, activation fees, annual fees, filing fees or termination fees. Further, there is no repayment schedule as long as you maintain the required equity level in your brokerage account. You can also prepay the principal balance at any time, without penalty.

The amount of credit that may be extended and the terms of such extension are governed by the rules of the Federal Reserve Board and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. Margin account equity is the current market value of securities and cash less the amount owed for credit extended. Certain levels of equity must be maintained in the account. Additionally, securities valued under a certain dollar amount per share may not be purchased in a margin account. Please contact your financial organization for specifics on these and any other restrictions for margin accounts.

## A Line-of-Credit With Added Value

When you enroll in CreditAdvance, this competitive line-of-credit may afford added value.

- > **Portfolio Growth Potential.** This source of investable funds increases your portfolio-building potential. When you use margin to purchase additional securities, you may be able to delay the capital gains taxes associated with liquidating existing positions. We recommend you consult a tax professional regarding your particular situation.
- > **Convenient Credit Access.** Pay absolutely nothing until you decide to tap into the credit line. Even if you do not draw on the available assets immediately, you have access to money instantly if and when you need it.
- > **Comprehensive Financial Reporting.** When you enroll in CreditAdvance to satisfy your borrowing needs, your monthly brokerage account statement presents a comprehensive overview of your account.

## Risks Associated With CreditAdvance

CreditAdvance may not be appropriate for all investors and it is important that you fully understand the risks involved in trading securities on margin, including:

- > You may lose more funds or securities than you deposited in your margin account.
- > Your financial organization or Pershing LLC (Pershing) may force the sale of securities or other assets in your account(s).
- > Your financial organization or Pershing can sell your securities or other assets in your account(s) without contacting you.
- > You are not entitled to choose which securities or other assets in your account(s) will be liquidated or sold to meet a margin call.
- > Your financial organization or Pershing can increase “house” maintenance margin requirements at any time and neither is required to provide you with advance written notice.
- > You are not entitled to an extension of time on a margin call.

- > Your written Margin Agreement with your financial organization or Pershing outlines certain important obligations you have. The Margin Agreement is a legally binding agreement that cannot be modified by conduct, and no failure on the part of your financial organization or Pershing at any time to enforce its rights under the Margin Agreement to the greatest extent permitted shall in any way be deemed to waive, modify or relax any of the rights granted to your financial organization or Pershing. This includes those rights vested in your financial organization or Pershing to deal with the collateral on all loans advanced to you.

### A Simple Approval Process

Enrollment in CreditAdvance is simple, involving a single agreement. Once you submit the agreement, which you can complete when opening a brokerage account, the approval process typically takes 48 hours.

Upon approval, you will receive written disclosure of the loan terms, such as the rate and method for computing interest. Before trading on margin, the New York Stock Exchange and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority require you to deposit a minimum balance of \$2,000 or 100% of the purchase price, whichever is less.

Put the advantages of CreditAdvance to work for you—contact your investment professional or financial organization to learn more about this competitive line-of-credit.

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