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Abbreviations commonly used in 7 Days

Alert/News: Sackers Extra publications (available from the client area of our website or from your

usual contact) **DB**: Defined benefit DC: Defined contribution

DWP: Department for Work and Pensions

ECJ: European Court of Justice FAS: Financial Assistance Scheme GMP: Guaranteed Minimum Pension HMRC: HM Revenue & Customs

NEST: National Employment Savings Trust

PPF: Pension Protection Fund TPR: The Pensions Regulator

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The EFRP represents national associations of pension funds and similar institutions for supplementary/occupational pension provision.

On 4 May 2012, the EFRP issued a Position Paper on the review of MiFID.

Although the EFRP broadly supports the review proposals (as long-term investors, pension funds are strongly in favour of transparency, information disclosure and stronger safeguards for investment activities, as promoted by MiFID), it is concerned that some aspects do not take the specific needs and characteristics of pension funds' investment policies into account. In is paper, the EFRP therefore calls for a pension funds, as longterm investors, to be treated differently from other financial actors.