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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAT

Ms. Jean A. Webb
Secretary
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: Application of Brokertec Futures Exchange, L.L.C. for Designation as a Contract Market in U.S. Treasury Note and U.S. Treasury Bond Futures Contracts, 65 Federal Register 36667 (June 9, 2000)

Dear Ms. Webb:

The Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT ®) hereby requests that the Commission extend the July 10, 2000 comment deadline on the above-referenced Federal Register release for thirty days.

Since the Brokertec Futures Exchange has not previously been approved by the Commission as a contract market in any commodity, the application includes a substantial amount of information to review. Some of that information, which the CBOT requested under the Freedom of Information Act, was not made available until after the comment period began. An extension would allow the CBOT and other interested parties additional time to review that material and to formulate thoughtful and complete comments for the Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Carol A. Burke (913)

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