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RE: Section 5c(c)(1), Part 40.6 – Amendments to the exercise price
rule language for all Equity index options contracts
and a clarification to rule 813. CME Submission# 05-129.

Dear Ms. Webb:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME” or “Exchange”) hereby notifies the Commission of an amendment to the exercise price rule language for the all Equity Index options contracts. In addition, a clarification is included in rule 813 regarding settlements.

The Exchange certifies that these amendments complies with the Act and rules thereunder.

As the number of equity index options contracts has grown and various rule amendments have been implemented, the exercise price rule language for each of the contracts has become convoluted and difficult to decipher. Staff has therefore rewritten the rule language in an effort to make the strike listing rules more comprehensible. Please note that none of the substance has changed.

In addition, there has been a technical amendment made to rule 813 which describes the settlement procedures for the E-mini contracts. The rule has been expanded out to include the settlement procedures for the S&P Midcap 400 Index and the Russell 2000 Index futures. This amendment follows the rationalized exercise price rules for the equity options contracts. Additions have been underlined and deletions have been bracketed and struck out.

If you require any additional information regarding this action, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Ariel Hantin, Senior Research Analyst at 312-559-4951 or via e-mail at ahantin@cme.com. Please reference our CME Submission #05-129 on all future correspondence regarding this notification.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Labuszewski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "L".

John W. Labuszewski, Director
Research & Product Development

cc: Mr. Thomas M. Leahy and Mr. Steven B. Benton
CFTC Division of Market Oversight, Product Review & Analysis Section

Text of Rule Amendments

(Additions are underlined, deletions are bracketed and overstruck.)

Chapter 351A: Options on Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index™ Futures

351A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract, ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. The exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g., 1025, 1050, 1075, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to [on] the expiration [day] of the March Quarterly futures contract and [The referencing index] shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring [previous day's settlement price of the lead month] Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. [calculate the index points for the 50%, 20%, and 10% ranges for various contract month options as specified below.] The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month [the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle], the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices in a range of 50 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1200, 1225, 1250, etc.

Exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder shall be added, if they have not already been listed, within a range of 20 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

~~[Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range on the next trading day.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle shall be independent of the exercise prices that are listed for the nearest March quarterly options.]~~

~~At the commencement of trading for options not in the March quarterly cycle, exercise prices shall be listed in a range of 50 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. Exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 25 without remainder. Within a range of 20 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price for the underlying futures contract, 10 point exercise prices shall be listed, if they have not been already listed. Additional 5 point exercise prices shall also be listed in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price for the underlying futures contract.~~

~~Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range on the next trading day.]~~

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

CHAPTER 352A: Options on Nikkei Stock Average Futures

352A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Nikkei Stock Average futures contract which is deliverable upon exercise of the option and shall be an integer divisible by 500 without remainder, e.g., 20000, 20500, 21000, etc.

At the commencement of trading in a contract month, the Exchange shall list put and call options, with exercise prices at each of the next six levels above the previous day's settlement of the futures contract deliverable upon exercise of the option (the underlying futures contract) and put and call options with exercise prices at each of the next six levels below that settlement price. If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 100 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list a thirteenth exercise price at the unoccupied level closest to the exercise price within 100 index points of the settlement.

When a sale, bid, or offer in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, the sixth highest (or sixth lowest) listed exercise price, put and call option contracts at the next higher (or lower) exercise price shall commence trading on the next trading day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 353A: Options on Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index™ Futures

353A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Standard and Poor's MidCap 400 Stock Price Index futures contract. ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In all contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 110, 115, 120, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration [day] of the March Quarterly futures contract and ~~[The referencing index]~~ shall equal the daily [previous day's] settlement price of the nearest expiring [lead month] S&P[']s MidCap 400 futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. ~~[calculate the index points for the 10% range for various contract month options as specified below.]~~ The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month [the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle], the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, eg. 600, 605, 610, etc.

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices on the next trading day.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all contract months,]~~ when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from ~~[F]~~the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 354A: Options on Russell 2000 Stock Price Index™ Futures

354A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract, ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In all contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 200, 205, 210, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration [day] of the March Quarterly futures contract and ~~[The referencing index]~~ shall equal the daily ~~[previous day's]~~ settlement price of the nearest expiring ~~[lead month]~~ Russell 2000 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. ~~[calculate the index points for the 10% range for various contract month options as specified below.]~~ The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month ~~[the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle]~~, the Exchange shall list all eligible ~~[exercise]~~ prices in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 600, 605, 610, etc.

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices on the next trading day.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all other contract months,]~~ when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 355A: Options on S&P 500/ BARRA Growth Index Futures

355A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/BARRA Growth Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 255, 260, 265, etc. In all other contract months, the exercise prices shall be number divisible by 2.5 e.g., 255, 257.5, 260, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading for each contract [the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle], the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also.]~~

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 20 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all other contract months,]~~ when a ~~[sale, bid, offer, or]~~ settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day. ~~[on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 15 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 355C: Options on S&P 500/ CITIGROUP Growth Index Futures

355C01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/CITIGROUP Growth Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 255, 260, 265, etc. In all other contract months, the exercise prices shall be number divisible by 2.5 e.g., 255, 257.5, 260, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading for each contract ~~[the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle]~~, the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also.]~~

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 20 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all other contract months,]~~ when a ~~[sale, bid, offer, or]~~ settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day. ~~[on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 15 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 356A: Options on S&P 500/ BARRA Value Index Futures

356A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/BARRA Value Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 255, 260, 265, etc. In all other contract months, the exercise prices shall be number divisible by 2.5 e.g., 255, 257.5, 260, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading for each contract ~~[the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle]~~, the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also.]~~

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 20 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all other contract months,]~~ when a ~~[sale, bid, offer, or]~~ settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day ~~[on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 15 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from ~~[F]~~ the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 356C: Options on S&P 500/ CITIGROUP Value Index Futures

356C01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/CITIGROUP Value Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g., 255, 260, 265, etc. In all other contract months, the exercise prices shall be number divisible by 2.5 e.g., 255, 257.5, 260, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading for each contract ~~[the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle]~~, the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the

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previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also.]~~

~~[Thereafter, for the third and fourth nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle, when a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 20 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, ~~[and for all other contract months,]~~ when a ~~[sale, bid, offer, or]~~ settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day ~~[on the next trading day put and call options at the next higher (or next lower) exercise price within a 15 index point range above (or below) the exercise price at which or through which the underlying futures sale, bid, offer, or settlement price occurred.]~~

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

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2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Upon demand evidenced in the respective options pit, the Exchange shall list put and call options at any exercise price listed for trading in the next March quarterly cycle futures option that is nearest the expiration of the option. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.]~~

CHAPTER 357A: Options on NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

357A01.E. Exercise Prices

Applicable for contracts listed through December 2005

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the NASDAQ 100 futures contract, ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In all contract months, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 50 without remainder, e.g., 2000, 2050, 2100, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration ~~[day]~~ of the March Quarterly futures contract and ~~[The refereneing index]~~ shall equal the daily ~~[previous day's]~~ settlement price of the nearest expiring ~~[lead month]~~ NASDAQ 100 Index futures contract[s]. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. ~~[calculate the index points for the 30% and 15% ranges for various contract month options as specified below.]~~ The index points are rounded to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month ~~[the fourth nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle]~~, the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices in a range of 30 percent of the referencing

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index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 50 without remainder, e.g. 1500, 1550, 1600, etc.

~~[Thereafter, for a contract month in the March quarterly cycle, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices on the next trading day.]~~

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 10 without remainder in a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range. New options may be listed for trading up to an including the termination of trading.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

~~[Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle shall be independent of the exercise prices that are listed for the nearest March quarterly options.]~~

~~At the commencement of trading for options not in the March quarterly cycle, exercise prices shall be listed in a range of 30 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. Exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 50 without remainder. Within a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price for the underlying futures contract, 10 point exercise prices shall be listed, if they have not been already listed.~~

~~Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible prices in the corresponding range on the next trading day.]~~

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

Applicable for the January 2006 and subsequently listed contracts

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the NASDAQ 100 futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. In all contract months, the exercise prices shall be an integer divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g., 2000, 2025, 2050, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration [day] of the March Quarterly futures contract and ~~[The referencing index]~~ shall equal the daily [previous day's] settlement price of the nearest expiring [lead month] NASDAQ 100 Index futures contract[s]. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contracts. ~~[calculate the index points for the 15% and 7.5% ranges for various contract month options as specified below.]~~ The index points are rounded to the nearest integer.

~~[For all eligible contract months]~~At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices in a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1500, 1525, 1550, etc.

~~[Thereafter, for all listed contract months, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add all eligible exercise prices on the next trading day.]~~

When a contract month becomes the nearest expiring contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 7.5 percent of the referencing index above

and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range. New options may be listed for trading up to an including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 358A: Options on E-mini Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index Futures

358A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. The exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g., 1000, 1025, 1050, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading, ~~[for E-Mini S&P 500 option contracts]~~ the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1200, 1225, 1250, etc. in a range of 250 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract. Within a range of 150 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract, exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder shall be added. ~~[, if they have not already been listed.]~~ Within a range of 50 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract, exercise prices that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder shall be added. ~~[, if they have not already been listed.]~~

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, ~~[put and call options with]~~ all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding [above] ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 359A: Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index® Futures

359A01.E. Exercise Prices

Applicable for contracts listed through December 2005

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract. ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option.]~~ The exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 10 without remainder, e.g., 2000, 2010, 2020, ~~[2030]~~, etc.

At the commencement of trading, ~~[option trading for E-Mini Nasdaq 100 option contracts]~~ the Exchange shall list all ~~[eligible]~~ exercise prices in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day ~~[put and call options with]~~ all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding [above] ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

Applicable for the January 2006 and subsequently listed contracts

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract, ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. The exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g., 2000, 2025, 2050, 2075, etc.]~~

At the commencement of trading, ~~[option trading for E-Mini Nasdaq 100 option contracts]~~ the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 2000, 2025, 2050, etc. in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

When a contract month becomes the nearest expiring contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall be listed also, if not previously listed.]~~

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, ~~[put and call options with]~~ all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding [above] ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 361A: Options on E-Mini Russell 2000 Futures

361A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract ~~[which is deliverable upon exercise of the option. The exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 10 without remainder, e.g., 500, 510, 520, etc.]~~

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration [day] of the March quarterly futures contract and [The referencing index] shall equal the daily [previous day's] settlement price of the nearest expiring [lead month] E-Mini Russell 2000 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. ~~[calculate the index points for the 30% and 15% ranges for various contract month options as specified below.]~~ The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month [the second nearest contract months in the March quarterly cycle], the Exchange shall list all [eligible] exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder, e.g. 600, 610, 620, etc. in a range of 30% of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

The Exchange shall also add ~~[, if they have not already been listed,]~~ exercise prices ~~[at an interval that is a number]~~ that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder within in the range of 15% above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, [F]the Exchange shall add exercise

prices ~~that are integers [at an interval that is a number]~~ divisible by 2.5 in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. ~~[If the previous day's settlement price equals an eligible exercise price, then that exercise price shall also be listed, if not previously listed.]~~ Thereafter, ~~[for all contract months,]~~ when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, ~~[put and call options with]~~ all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding [above] ranges. Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from [F]the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate. [subject to the provisions of Section 5a(a)(12)(A) of the Commodity Exchange Act and CFTC regulations thereunder.]

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to [dependent upon] the exercise prices that are listed for the [nearest] March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

813. SETTLEMENT PRICE

The settlement price shall be a price consistent with the minimum fluctuations of the commodity. Settlement prices will be determined at the close of Regular Trading Hours.

Rules A. – E. remain unchanged

F. Settlement prices for the Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index futures and the Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract months shall equal the settlement prices for the corresponding contract months of the E-Mini Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index futures and the E-Mini Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures

G. [F.] For products cleared by the Clearing House on behalf of another exchange, market or Marketplace other than the Exchange, the settlement price shall be determined according to the rules of such entity. In the case of inaccuracy or unavailability of a settlement price from the exchange, market or Marketplace, or if such settlement price would create risk management concerns for the Clearing House, the Clearing House reserves the right to calculate settlement variation using an alternate price determined by the Clearing House

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Chapter 351A: Options on Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index™ Futures

351A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 50 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1200, 1225, 1250, etc.

Exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder shall be added, if they have not already been listed, within a range of 20 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

CHAPTER 352A: Options on Nikkei Stock Average Futures

352A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Nikkei Stock Average futures contract which is deliverable upon exercise of the option and shall be an integer divisible by 500 without remainder, e.g., 20000, 20500, 21000, etc.

At the commencement of trading in a contract month, the Exchange shall list put and call options, with exercise prices at each of the next six levels above the previous day's settlement of the futures contract deliverable upon exercise of the option (the underlying futures contract) and put and call options with exercise prices at each of the next six levels below that settlement price. If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 100 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list a thirteenth exercise price at the unoccupied level closest to the exercise price within 100 index points of the settlement.

When a sale, bid, or offer in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, the sixth highest (or sixth lowest) listed exercise price, put and call option contracts at the next higher (or lower) exercise price shall commence trading on the next trading day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 353A: Options on Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index™ Futures

353A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Standard and Poor's MidCap 400 Stock Price Index futures contract.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring S&P MidCap 400 futures

contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, eg. 600, 605, 610, etc.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 354A: Options on Russell 2000 Stock Price Index™ Futures

354A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring Russell 2000 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month, the Exchange shall list all eligible prices in a range of 10 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 600, 605, 610, etc.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 355A: Options on S&P 500/ BARRA Growth Index Futures

355A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/BARRA Growth Index futures contract.

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At the commencement of trading for each contract, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 355C: Options on S&P 500/ CITIGROUP Growth Index Futures

355C01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/CITIGROUP Growth Index futures contract.

At the commencement of trading for each contract, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract

Thereafter, when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 356A: Options on S&P 500/ BARRA Value Index Futures

356A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/BARRA Value Index futures contract.

At the commencement of trading for each contract, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 356C: Options on S&P 500/ CITIGROUP Value Index Futures

356C01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the S&P 500/CITIGROUP Value Index futures contract.

At the commencement of trading for each contract, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 20 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder, e.g. 500, 505, 510, etc.

If any of the foregoing exercise prices are within 2 index points of the settlement price of the underlying futures contract, then the Exchange shall list an additional exercise price at the unoccupied level above (or below) the exercise price that is within 2 index points of the previous day's settlement price.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is a number divisible by 2.5 without remainder in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price, in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges on the next trading day.

New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 357A: Options on NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

357A01.E. Exercise Prices

Applicable for contracts listed through December 2005

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the NASDAQ 100 futures contract.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring NASDAQ 100 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. The index points are rounded to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract month, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 30 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 50 without remainder, e.g. 1500, 1550, 1600, etc.

When a contract month becomes the second-nearest contract month in the March quarterly cycle, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 10 without remainder in a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

Applicable for the January 2006 and subsequently listed contracts

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the NASDAQ 100 futures.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March Quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring NASDAQ 100 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contracts. The index points are rounded to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 15 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1500, 1525, 1550, etc.

When a contract month becomes the nearest expiring contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 7.5 percent of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall add, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding range. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 358A: Options on E-mini Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index Futures

358A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract.

At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 1200, 1225, 1250, etc, in a range of 250 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract. Within a range of 150 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract, exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder shall be added. Within a range of 50 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the S&P 500 futures contract, exercise prices that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder shall be added.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 359A: Options on E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index® Futures

359A01.E. Exercise Prices

Applicable for contracts listed through December 2005

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract. The exercise prices shall be integers divisible by 10 without remainder, e.g., 2000, 2010, 2020, etc.

At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list on the next trading day all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

Applicable for the January 2006 and subsequently listed contracts

1. Options in the March Quarterly Cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

At the commencement of trading, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices that are integers divisible by 25 without remainder, e.g. 2000, 2025, 2050, etc, in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the E-Mini Nasdaq 100 Index futures contract.

When a contract month becomes the nearest expiring contract month, the Exchange shall add exercise prices at an interval that is an integer divisible by 5 without remainder in a range of 100 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options not in the March Quarterly Cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

CHAPTER 361A: Options on E-Mini Russell 2000 Futures

361A01.E. Exercise Prices

1. Options in the March Quarterly cycle

The exercise prices shall be stated in terms of the E-Mini Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract.

A referencing index shall be determined each quarter on the day prior to the expiration of the March quarterly futures contract and shall equal the daily settlement price of the nearest expiring E-Mini Russell 2000 Index futures contract. The chosen referencing index will then be used to determine the strike listing range for all listed contract months. The index points are rounded down to the nearest integer.

At the commencement of trading for each contract, the Exchange shall list all exercise prices that are integers divisible by 10 without remainder, e.g. 600, 610, 620, etc, in a range of 30% of the referencing index above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

The Exchange shall also add exercise prices that are integers divisible by 5 without remainder within in the range of 15% above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall add exercise prices that are integers divisible by 2.5 in a range of 15 index points above and below the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract.

Thereafter, when a daily settlement price in the underlying futures contract occurs at, or passes through, any exercise price, the Exchange shall list, on the next trading day, all eligible exercise prices in the corresponding ranges.

Exchange Staff, under delegated authority from the Board may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Options Not in the March Quarterly cycle

Exercise prices for options not in the March quarterly cycle listed for trading shall be identical to the exercise prices that are listed for the March quarterly options on the same underlying futures contract. For example, the exercise prices listed for the January contract shall be identical to those listed for the March contract.

813. SETTLEMENT PRICE

The settlement price shall be a price consistent with the minimum fluctuations of the commodity. Settlement prices will be determined at the close of Regular Trading Hours.

Rules A. – E. remain unchanged

F. Settlement prices for the Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index futures and the Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures contract months shall equal the settlement prices for the corresponding contract months of the E-Mini Standard and Poor's Midcap 400 Stock Price Index futures and the E-Mini Russell 2000 Stock Price Index futures

G. For products cleared by the Clearing House on behalf of another exchange, market or Marketplace other than the Exchange, the settlement price shall be determined according to the rules of such entity. In the case of inaccuracy or unavailability of a settlement price from the exchange, market or Marketplace, or if such settlement price would create risk management concerns for the Clearing House, the Clearing House reserves the right to calculate settlement variation using an alternate price determined by the Clearing House