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☐	Novel Derivative Product Notification	§ 40.12(a)
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☐	Certification	§ 40.6(a)
☐	Certification Made Available to Trade Determination	§ 40.6(a)
☐	Certification Security Futures	§ 41.24(a)
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☐	Approval	§ 40.5(a)
☐	Approval Made Available to Trade Determination	§ 40.5(a)
☐	Approval Security Futures	§ 41.24(c)
☐	Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products	§ 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
☐	"Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change"	§ 40.4(b)(5)
☐	Notification	§ 40.6(d)

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:

Rule Numbers:

January 16, 2019

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Washington, DC 20581

RE: **Modifications to the Globex Base Metals Volume Incentive Program**
        COMEX Submission No. 19-050

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Commodity Exchange, Inc. ("COMEX" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Globex Base Metals Volume Incentive Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on February 1, 2019.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program. Modifications appear below, with additions underlined and deletions overstruck.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, Exchange staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted: Monitoring of Trading, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules, and Recordkeeping.

The Program does not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA and the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' volume to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The incentives in the Program do not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by Exchange staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the COMEX rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with the Exchange in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and the COMEX rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

COMEX certifies that the Program complies with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange's website at http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com. Please reference our COMEX Submission No. 19-050 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

Globex Base Metals Volume Incentive Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to encourage market participants to increase their Globex® volume in the products listed below. A more liquid contract on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the market.

Product Scope

Copper futures ("HG"), Aluminum futures ("ALI"), Lead futures ("LED"), and Zinc futures ("ZNC") traded on Globex® ("Products").

Eligible Participants

There is no limit to the number of participants under the Program. Participants must be COMEX 106.J members or COMEX individual members*. The Exchange, in its sole discretion, will use a variety of factors in determining whether a prospective participant is selected to participate in the Program, including the prospective participant's overall historical volume in the Products and the prospective participant's ability to maintain threshold volume obligations for the duration of the Program. The Exchange may from time to time add or subtract from the above factors as it deems necessary.
*In accordance with the CME Group Fee Policy Bulletin regarding Individual Members Trading on Globex®.

Program Term

Start date is February 1, 2018. End date is ~~January 31, 2019~~ January 31, 2020.

Hours

N/A

Obligations

Participants must meet certain volume thresholds in the Products in order to be eligible to receive the incentives.

Incentives

Upon meeting all obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants may be eligible to receive predetermined incentives.

Monitoring and Termination of Status

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke participant status if it concludes from review that a participant no longer meets the eligibility requirements or obligations of the Program.