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- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
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- Certification § 40.2(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
- Approval § 40.3(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

Official Product Name:

**Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
- Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a)
- 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:

February 13, 2019

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
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**RE: Modifications to the Global Zinc Futures Market Maker Program  
COMEX Submission No. 19-106**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Commodity Exchange, Inc. ("COMEX" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Global Zinc Futures Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on March 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](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com) or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at [Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com](mailto:Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com). Please reference our COMEX Submission No. 19-106 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## Global Zinc Futures Market Maker Program

### Program Purpose

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

### Product Scope

Zinc futures ("ZNC") traded on Globex® or cleared through CME ClearPort ("Product").

### Eligible Participants

~~The Exchange may designate up to ten (10) participants in the Program. There is no limit to the number of participants that may participate in the Program. Participants may be COMEX members or non-members. Potential participants are required to submit an application/bid sheet to the Exchange as part of a competitive application process which is used to determine eligibility. In determining whether a prospective participant is selected to participate in the Program, the Exchange may take into account a variety of factors including the strength of the quoting obligations the prospective participant is willing to commit to provide, the ability of the prospective participant to maintain such obligations, and the prospective participant's historical activity in the Product and similar products. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Exchange may add or subtract from the aforementioned factors as it deems necessary.~~

### Program Term

Start date is April 1, 2018. End date is ~~March 31, 2019~~ August 31, 2019.

### Hours

Designated hours during RTH and ETH.

### Obligations

In order to be eligible to receive the Program incentives, participants must quote two-sided markets in the applicable Product, at predetermined average bid/ask spreads and minimum quote sizes during a certain percentage of designated hours.

### Incentives

Upon meeting all obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will 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.