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March 8, 2022

#### **VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

Christopher J. Kirkpatrick
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20581

RE: Implementation of the Micro Cryptocurrency Options Market-Wide Fee Discount

**Program** 

CME Submission No. 22-107

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to implement the Micro Cryptocurrency Options Market-Wide Fee Discount Program ("Program"). The proposed Program will become effective on March 28, 2022.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program.

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, Availability of General Information, and Recordkeeping.

The Program is a general fee discount that applies to all market participants. A general fee discount does not incentivize manipulative trading or market abuse. The Program does not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. The Exchange's market regulation staff will monitor trading in the products that are included in the Program to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. The general fee discount in the Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. The Exchange believes the fee discounts included in the Program will not adversely impact price discovery in the centralized market. Chapter 4 of the Exchange's rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. The Program is subject to these rules and the Exchange's records retention policies that comply with the CEA.

The Exchange 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 <a href="http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html">http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</a>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail <a href="mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com">CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</a> or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com">Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com</a>. Please reference our CME Submission No. 22-107 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

## **EXHIBIT 1**

# Micro Cryptocurrency Options Market-Wide Fee Discount Program

#### **Program Purpose**

The purpose of this Program is to encourage participants to support the launch and development of the products listed below. A more liquid contract benefits all participants in the marketplace.

#### **Product Scope**

Micro Bitcoin Options and Micro Ether Options ("Products").

### **Eligible Participants**

There is no limit to the number of participants in the Program. Participants may be members or non-members. The incentives described below will be automatically applied to all transactions in the Products made by market participants.

#### **Program Term**

Start date is March 28, 2022. End date is July 31, 2022.

#### **Hours**

N/A

#### **Incentives**

Fee Discounts: All market participants will receive a 50% discount on all Globex and ex-pit fees in the Products.