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VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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

RE: Modifications to the CME Commodity Trading Advisors/Hedge Fund Incentive Program CME Submission No. 22-114

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Commodity Trading Advisors ("CTA")/Hedge Fund Incentive Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on April 1, 2022.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program. Modifications appear below, with additions <u>underlined</u> and deletions overstruck.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CME 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 does not incentivize manipulative trading or market abuse and 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 Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. The Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by the Exchange's staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the Exchange rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. The Program is subject to these rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

CME 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 <u>CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</u> or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at <u>Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com</u>. Please reference our CME Submission No. 22-114 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

CME CTA/HEDGE FUND INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize CTAs and hedge funds to trade FX products on the CME Globex® Platform. The resulting increase in central limit order book liquidity for FX products on the CME Globex® Platform benefits all participant segments in the market.

Product Scope

All standard size FX futures and options contracts that are traded on the CME Globex® Platform and block transactions in FX options ("Products").

Eligible Participants

There is no limit to the number of participants that may be selected for the Program. All approved CTAs and their managed accounts including: individual, non-hedge funds, and hedge funds may participate. CTAs, their managed accounts of individuals, non-hedge funds, and hedge funds must meet the following criteria to qualify for the Program:

- Be a registered CTA or qualify for an exemption pursuant to CFTC Regulations 4.14(a)(4), 4.14(a)(5), 4.14(a)(8)(i)(D), 4.14(a)(10), or 3.10(c)(3)(i),
- Complete a Program application and provide all required supporting documentation for each managed individual, non-hedge fund, and/or hedge fund to be registered in the Program, including:
 - A list of all managed accounts owned by individuals, non-hedge funds, and funds and the CME clearing member account(s) for each,
 - o Confirmation of an open and funded clearing account(s) for each account,
 - A copy of the document pursuant to which the Fund grants the investment manager or CTA discretionary trading authority or control over its clearing account(s).

Program Term

Start date is December 23, 2011. End date is January 31, 2023.

<u>Hours</u>

The incentives will apply to all trades made in the Products by all participants regardless of the execution time.

Program 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 Program participant status if it concludes from review that a Program participant no longer meets the eligibility requirements of the Program.