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#### VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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# RE: Implementation of the E-mini S&P 350 Europe ESG Futures Market Maker Program CME Submission No. 21-214

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 E-mini S&P 350 Europe ESG Futures Market Maker Program ("Program"). The proposed Program will become effective on May 24, 2021.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA" or "Act"). 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, and Recordkeeping.

The Program will not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA and the Exchange's market regulation staff will monitor trading in the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' obligations 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 CME 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 CME 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 <u>http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</u>.

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. 21-214 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# **EXHIBIT 1**

## E-mini S&P 350 Europe ESG Futures Market Maker 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 on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the marketplace.

### Product Scope

E-mini S&P 350 Europe ESG Futures ("E3G") and BTIC on E-mini S&P 350 Europe ESG Futures ("E3T") ("Products").

#### Eligible Participants

CME may designate up to fourteen (14) participants in the Program. Participants may be CME 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 or not a prospective participant is selected to participate in the Program, Exchange staff may take into account a variety of factors including the strength of the quoting obligations the prospective participant is willing to commit to provide, whether Exchange staff believes that the prospective participant can maintain such obligations, and historical volume trading similar contracts. The Exchange may, from time to time, add or subtract from the aforementioned requirements as it deems necessary.

#### Program Term

Start date is May 24, 2021. End date is November 30, 2021.

#### <u>Hours</u>

Designated hours between 8:00AM – 4:35PM GMT.

#### **Obligations**

In order to be eligible to receive incentives, participants must meet certain volume thresholds and quote two-sided markets in the Products at predetermined average bid/ask spreads and minimum quote sizes.

#### **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 fails to meet the obligations of the Program.