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June 10, 2015

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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

RE: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Elimination of Open Outcry Trading Venue in Connection with the Closing of Most CME Open Outcry Futures Trading Pits. CME Submission No. 15-248

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying the elimination of the open outcry trading venue in connection with the closing of most CME open outcry futures trading on July 2, 2015. Beginning on July 6, 2015, open outcry trading pursuant to CME Rule 521 ("Requirements for Open Outcry Trades") will remain eligible solely in:

- All existing CME options currently eligible for open outcry trading in the applicable CME options trading pits, inclusive of options, options spreads, options combinations and options/futures spreads; and
- CME S&P 500 futures pit for trading the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures contract (Rulebook Chapter 351; Commodity Code: SP).

The elimination of open outcry trading in all futures pits, with the exception of the S&P 500 futures pit, will not occur until after the close of open outcry trading on July 2, 2015. Beginning July 6, 2015, the S&P 500 futures pit will be the only remaining open outcry futures pit on the trading floor.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA" or "Act") and identified that the elimination of open outcry futures trading in all but the S&P 500 futures trading pit may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

<u>Compliance with Rules</u>: The elimination of open outcry trading in all futures pits with the exception of Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Price Index futures represents a change to the terms and conditions of all affected futures products currently trading via open outcry on the trading floor. This venue elimination has been widely communicated to market participants and will not otherwise affect the ability of CME to enforce compliance with its rules.

<u>Availability of General Information</u>: Information on the upcoming closing of all CME futures trading pits other than the S&P 500 futures pit has been widely disseminated. A Special Executive Report reminding the marketplace of the upcoming elimination of most open outcry futures trading, including rule changes separately self-certified in Submission 15-174 from June 5, 2015, will be issued prior to July 6, 2015.

CME certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the CME Group website at <u>http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</u>.

If you require any additional information, please e-mail <u>CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</u> or contact the undersigned at 212-299-2200.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel