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June 9, 2015

#### 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: Extension of the Iron Ore Futures and Options Fee Waiver Program NYMEX Submission No. 15-244

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to extend the Iron Ore Futures and Options Fee Waiver Program ("Program") through September 30, 2015. The extension of the Program will become effective on July 1, 2015. All other Program terms remain the same.

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

NYMEX reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, NYMEX staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted: Prevention of Market Disruption, 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. Exchange staff will monitor trading in the Program's products in order to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' volume to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by NYMEX staff using criteria as set forth in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the Exchange rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must comply with, and be subject to, applicable regulations and Exchange rules. Additionally, the Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies, which comply with the CEA.

NYMEX 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 <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 NYMEX Submission No. 15-244 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Enclosure: Exhibit 1

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# **EXHIBIT 1**

# Iron Ore Futures and Options Fee Waiver Program

#### Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize participants to increase liquidity in the products listed below. A more liquid contract on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the marketplace.

#### Product Scope

Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR China (TSI) Futures ("TIO"), Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR China (TSI) Average Price Options ("ICT"), Iron Ore 58% Fe, Low Alumina, CFR China (TSI) Futures ("TIC"), Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR North China (Platts) Futures ("PIO"), and Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR North China (Platts) Average Price Options ("ICP") traded on CME Globex® or cleared through the CME Clearing House ("Products").

#### Eligible Participants

There is no limit to the number of participants in the Program. Participants may be NYMEX members or non-members.

#### Program Term

Start date is March 15, 2015. End date is June 30, 2015 September 30, 2015.

## <u>Hours</u>

N/A

## **Incentives**

Fee Waivers. All Program participants will have fees waived in accordance with the table below.

	Expiration	Clearing Fee	Globex Execution Fee	ClearPort Fee
Standard TIO, ICT, TIC, PIO, ICP	All Expirations	\$0.00 per lot	\$0.00 per lot	\$0.00 per lot