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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Novel Derivative Product Notification | § 40.12(a) |
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**Official Product Name:**

**Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification   | § 40.6(a)            |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification Security Futures                          | § 41.24(a)           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Delisting (No Open Interest)                            | § 40.6(a)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval  | § 40.5(a)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Made Available to Trade Determination          | § 40.5(a)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Security Futures                               | § 41.24(c)           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products | § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | “Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change”                 | § 40.4(b)(5)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Notification  | § 40.6(d)            |

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:

Rule Numbers:

July 14, 2021

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

Christopher J. Kirkpatrick  
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Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
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Washington, D.C. 20581

**RE: Modifications to the Ultra 10-Year Futures Market Maker Program  
CBOT Submission No. 21-335**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Ultra 10-Year Futures Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on August 1, 2021.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program. Modifications appear below, with additions underlined and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

CBOT reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CBOT 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 does 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 CBOT 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 CBOT rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

CBOT certifies that the Program complies with 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 [CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com) or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at [Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com](mailto:Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com). Please reference our CBOT Submission No. 21-335 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## Ultra 10-Year Futures Market Maker Program

### Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incent market makers to enhance liquidity in the product listed below. A more liquid contract benefits all participants in the market.

### Product Scope

CBOT Ultra 10-Year futures ("Product").

### Eligible Participants

The Exchange may designate up to eight (8) participants in the Program. Participants must be CBOT members. Program participants shall not be eligible to concurrently participate in AMFIIP. Potential participants are required to submit a Bid Sheet to the Exchange which is used to determine eligibility. Exchange staff will use a variety of factors in determining whether or not a potential participant is selected to participate in the Program, including past performance in similar products and the ability to commit to and maintain at least the required quoting obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Exchange may, from time to time, add to or subtract from the factors listed above as it deems necessary.

### Program Term

Start date is January 11, 2016. End date is ~~July 31, 2024~~ January 31, 2022.

### Hours

RTH (7:00AM – 4:00PM).

### Obligations\*

*Minimum Quoting Obligations.* In order to be eligible to receive the Program incentives, participants must meet minimum contracted quoting obligations in the Product at designated monthly bid-ask spreads during a specified percentage of RTH in accordance with the following:

	Front-Month Outright			
	Spread	Width (Ticks)	Size (2-Sided)	Time-in-Market
Tier 1	1.0/32 <sup>nd</sup>	2	10	65%
Tier 2	1.0/32 <sup>nd</sup>	2	20	65%
Tier 3	1.0/32 <sup>nd</sup>	2	30	65%
Tier 4	1.0/32 <sup>nd</sup>	2	40	65%
Tier 5	1.0/32 <sup>nd</sup>	2	60	65%

\*Roll Policy. Obligations roll on the first business day of the delivery month.

**Extreme Events Clause:** If 10-Year CME Group Volatility Index (CVOL) is 105 or greater for at least three (3) days in a given calendar month, the obligations below may be implemented. Participants will be given notice that the Extreme Events Clause has taken effect.

- (i) Bid/Ask Spread: Increased by 2X
- (ii) Size: Decreased by 0.5X (rounded up)

**Holiday Quoting Schedule.** There will be no quoting obligations on the dates listed below. The Holiday Quoting Schedule may be adjusted by the Exchange. Participants will be given notice of any adjustments to the Holiday Quoting Schedule.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Quoting Obligation</b>
<u>2/15/2021</u>	Presidents' Day	None
<u>4/2/2021</u>	Good Friday	None
<u>5/31/2021</u>	Memorial Day	None
<u>7/5/2021</u>	Independence Day (Observed)	None
<u>9/6/2021</u>	Labor Day	None
<u>10/11/2021</u>	Columbus Day	None
<u>11/11/2021</u>	Veterans Day	None
<u>11/25/2021</u>	Thanksgiving	None
<u>11/26/2021</u>	Day after Thanksgiving	None
<u>12/24/2021</u>	Christmas (Observed)	None
<u>12/27/2021</u>	Christmas (Observed)	None
<u>12/31/2021</u>	New Year's (Observed)	None
<u>1/3/2021</u>	New Year's (Observed)	None
<u>1/17/2021</u>	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.	None

## **Incentives**

### Tier 1

**Fee Discounts.** Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive a ~~\$0.07~~ \$0.05 fee discount for each trade in the Product.

### Tier 2

~~**Fee Waivers.** Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive all-in fee waivers for all volume traded in the Product.~~

**Fee Discounts.** Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.09 fee discount for each trade in the Product.

**Fee Credits.** Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.10 fee credit per trade in the Product. The fee credits will be capped at \$15,000 per participant per month.

### Tier 3

~~Fee Waivers.~~ Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive all-in fee waivers for all volume traded in the Product.

Fee Discounts. Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.10 fee discount for each trade in the Product.

~~Fee Credits.~~ Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.10 fee credit per trade in the Product. The fee credits will be capped at \$25,000 per participant per month.

### Tier 4

~~Fee Waivers.~~ Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive all-in fee waivers for all volume traded in the Product.

Fee Discounts. Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.11 fee discount for each trade in the Product.

~~Fee Credits.~~ Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.10 fee credit per trade in the Product. The fee credits will be capped at \$30,000 per participant per month.

### Tier 5

Fee Waivers. Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive fee waivers for all volume traded in the Product.

Fee Credits. Upon meeting all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive a \$0.10 fee credit per trade in the Product. The fee credits will be capped at \$30,000 per participant per month.

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

If the Exchange determines that a participant has not met its quoting obligations during ~~two (2)~~ one (1) calendar months over the course of the Program but is within twenty percent (20%) of the time-in-market obligations, the participant will be eligible to receive the incentives for ~~each~~ that applicable month.

If the Exchange determines that a participant has not met its quoting obligations during one (1) additional calendar month, the participant will be eligible to receive incentives for that applicable month. Participants must meet quoting obligations for all subsequent months in order to continue to receive the Program incentives.

Upon utilizing the exceptions set forth above, participants that fail to meet quoting obligations in any additional month may be removed from the Program.