SUBMISSION COVER SHEET **IMPORTANT:** Check box if Confidential Treatment is requested Registered Entity Identifier Code (optional): <u>15-345</u> Organization: The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT") \times DCM SEF DCO **SDR** Filing as a: Please note - only ONE choice allowed. Filing Date (mm/dd/yy): 8/03/15 Filing Description: Termination of Force Majeure and All Conditions of Force Majeure with Respect to Corn and Soybean **Shipping Stations on the Illinois River** Please note only ONE choice allowed per Submission. **Organization Rules and Rule Amendments** Certification § 40.6(a) Approval § 40.5(a) Notification § 40.6(d) Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change § 40.10(a) SIDCO Emergency Rule Change § 40.10(h) Rule Numbers: See filing. **New Product** Please note only ONE product per Submission. Certification § 40.2(a) **Certification Security Futures** § 41.23(a) Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d) Approval § 40.3(a) **Approval Security Futures** § 41.23(b) Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a) Swap Submission § 39.5 Official Product Name: **Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)** Certification § 40.6(a) Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a) **Certification Security Futures** § 41.24(a) Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a) Approval § 40.5(a) Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a) **Approval Security Futures** § 41.24(c) Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a) "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" § 40.4(b)(5) Notification § 40.6(d) Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected: **Rule Numbers:**



August 3, 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)(6) Emergency Rule Certifications. Termination of Force

Majeure and All Conditions of Force Majeure at Corn and Soybean Shipping

Stations.

CBOT Submission No. 15-345

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

On June 17, 2015, The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange"), pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") Regulation 40.6(a)(6), notified the Commission that it had declared Force Majeure pursuant to CBOT Rule 701 ("Declarations of Force Majeure") with respect to all Corn and Soybean shipping stations as a result of the majority of shipping stations being unable to perform load-out due to high water levels and/or flooding on the Illinois River (see CBOT Submission No. 15-279). Effective immediately, CBOT is terminating Force Majeure as all shipping stations on the Illinois River are now able to load-out.

The marketplace has been informed of the termination of Force Majeure via CME Group Special Executive Report ("SER") S-7437. A copy of SER S-7437 appears in Exhibit A.

The Exchange has reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA") and has identified that the termination of Force Majeure may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- Emergency Authority: The declaration of Force Majeure by CBOT was an emergency circumstance, and, as such, required prompt notice to be provided to the Commission under both Commission Regulations and CBOT Rule 701. The termination of Force Majeure also requires notice to be provided pursuant to Commission Regulations.
- Availability of General Information: The Exchange published SER S-7437 earlier today to provide
 notice to the marketplace that Force Majeure was terminated. In addition to being emailed to all
 market participants subscribed to receive SERs via email, the SER has also been uploaded to the
 CME Group website.

There were no substantive opposing views to this action.

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

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

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit A – SER S-7437

Exhibit A



S-7437 August 3, 2015

Termination of Force Majeure and all Conditions of Force Majeure at Corn and Soybean Shipping Stations

Effective immediately, The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange") has terminated its previous declaration of Force Majeure for Corn and Soybean shipping stations on the Illinois River as all facilities are now able to load-out.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to the following individuals in the Market Regulation Department:

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