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August 9, 2022

#### 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: Modifications to the Micro Bitcoin Futures Market Maker Program CME Submission No. 22-339

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Micro Bitcoin Futures Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on September 1, 2022.

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, Availability of General Information, 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 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. 22-339 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# **EXHIBIT 1**

# Micro Bitcoin Futures Market Maker Program

## Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to encourage participants to support the development of the product listed below. A more liquid contract on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the marketplace.

#### Product Scope

Micro Bitcoin Futures ("MBT") that are traded on Globex ("Product").

## Eligible Participants

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

#### Program Term

Start date is May 3, 2021. End date is January 31, 2023.

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

5:00PM - 4:00PM CT.

#### **Obligations**

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

#### **Incentives**

Upon meeting all obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will 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 has failed to meet the obligations of the Program.