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### VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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# RE: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Revision to Rule 409.D ("Appeals"). COMEX Submission No. 14-355 (4 of 4)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"), The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT"), New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX") and Commodity Exchange, Inc. ("COMEX) (collectively, the "Exchanges") hereby notify the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that they will be adopting a revision to Rule 409.D ("Appeals") effective Tuesday, September 16, 2014. The revision codifies that parties have a single appeal right under the Rule.

The Market Regulation Department and the Legal Department collectively reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA" or "Act"). During the review, we have identified that the revision to Rule 409.D may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

<u>Availability of General Information</u>: As required by this Core Principle, the Exchanges will publicly disseminate a Special Executive Report to the marketplace in advance of the revision becoming effective.

<u>Disciplinary Procedures</u>: In order that the Exchanges' disciplinary procedures are clearly understood, the revision to Rule 409.D. codifies that once a decision has been rendered by the the Business Conduct Committee ("BCC Panel") a party is not permitted to file a subsequent appeal to the Board of Directors pursuant to Rule 411 ("Appeal to a Hearing Panel of the Board of Directors").

The revisions to Rule 409.D appear in Exhibit A. The Exchanges certify that the revisions to Rule 409.D comply with the Act and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchanges certify that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchanges' website at <a href="http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html">http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</a>.

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If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact me at 212-299-2200 or via e-mail at <u>Christopher.Bowen@cmegroup.com</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit A – Revisions to Rule 409.D

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# Exhibit A

## CME, CBOT, NYMEX and COMEX Rulebook Chapter 4

#### 409. Summary Proceedings Before the Floor Conduct Committee

[Sections A. – C. are unchanged.]

#### 409.D. Appeals

An individual found guilty of an offense who receives a fine greater than \$5,000 may, within 10 days of the decision, file a written appeal of the decision with the Market Regulation Department. A written appeal that fails to specify the grounds for the appeal and the specific error or impropriety of the original decision shall be dismissed by the Chief Regulatory Officer. The Hearing Panel Chair may also allow the parties to file briefs in support of or in opposition to an appeal. The appeal shall be heard by a Panel of the BCC ("BCC Panel") whose decision shall be the final decision of the Exchange and not subject to appeal pursuant to Rule 411. The appellant shall be entitled to be represented by counsel, appear personally before the BCC Panel and present evidence that he may have in support of his appeal. The BCC Panel shall not set aside, modify or amend the appealed decision unless it determines, by majority vote, that the decision was:

1. Arbitrary, capricious, or an abuse of the committee's discretion;

2. In excess of the committee's authority or jurisdiction; or

3. Based on a clearly erroneous application or interpretation of Exchange Rules.