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**Organization Rules and Rule Amendments**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Certification                       | § 40.6(a)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Approval                            | § 40.5(a)  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval                              | § 40.3(a)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Security Futures             | § 41.23(b) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Novel Derivative Product Notification | § 40.12(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Swap Submission                       | § 39.5     |

Official Product Name:

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification   | § 40.6(a)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification Made Available to Trade Determination     | § 40.6(a)            |
| <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:



Christopher Bowen  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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**RE: Modifications to the USD Deliverable Swap Futures Volume Incentive Program  
("USD DSF")  
CBOT Submission No. 15-402**

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 USD Deliverable Swap Futures Volume Incentive Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on October 1, 2015.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program. The modifications appear below, with additions underscoring and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

The Exchange 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: Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Contracts Not Readily Subject to Manipulation, Recordkeeping, and Compliance with Rules.

The Program will not impact CBOT's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. CBOT's market regulation staff will monitor all trading in the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. The Program does not impact CBOT's order execution. Market participants that meet the criteria described in Exhibit 1 shall be entitled to participate. CBOT rules include prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. The Program is subject to these rules. The Program is subject to recordkeeping requirements that comply with the CEA.

The Exchange 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 CME Group website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail [CMESubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMESubmissionInquiry@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. 15-402 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## USD Deliverable Swap Futures Volume Incentive Program

### Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize trading in the products listed below. The resulting increase in liquidity for the products listed below benefits all participant segments in the market.

### Product Scope

5-Year USD Deliverable Swap Futures, and 10-Year USD Deliverable Swap Futures, 7-Year USD Deliverable Swap Futures, and 20-Year USD Deliverable Swap Futures ("Products").

### Eligible Participants

~~CBOT may designate up to ten (10) participants in the Program. There is no limit to the number of participants that may participate in the Program.~~ The Program is available to both members and non-members. Potential participants are required to submit an application/bid sheet to the Exchange as part of a competitive application process which is used to determine eligibility. In determining whether or not a prospective participant is selected to participate in the Program, Exchange staff may take into account a variety of factors including the strength of the quoting obligations the prospective participant is willing to commit to provide, whether Exchange staff believes that the prospective participant can maintain such obligations, and historical volume trading the Products and similar contracts. The Exchange may, from time to time, add or subtract from the aforementioned requirements as it deems necessary.

### Program Term

Start date is July 1, 2014. End date is June 30, 2016.

### Hours

RTH, ETH, ATH

### Obligations

Participants must meet contracted quoting requirements, as determined by the Exchange, in order to receive the Program incentives. In addition, participants may also be required to maintain contracted average daily volume levels in the Products.

### Incentives

Upon satisfying the relevant Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, Program participants may qualify for predetermined incentives.

### **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.