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#### **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 Grain & Oilseed Futures ETH Market Maker Program

**CBOT Submission No. 17-413** 

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 Grain & Oilseed Futures ETH Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on November 1, 2017.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program. Modifications appear below, with additions <u>underlined</u> and deletions <del>overstruck</del>.

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: Prevention of Market Disruption, 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. Exchange staff will monitor trading in the Program's products in order to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' volume to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by CBOT staff using criteria as set forth in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the Exchange rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with CBOT in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with, and be subject to, applicable regulations and Exchange rules. Additionally, the Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies, which comply with the CEA.

CBOT 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 <a href="http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html">http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</a>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail <a href="mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com">CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</a> or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com">Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com</a>. Please reference our CBOT Submission No. 17-413 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Enclosure: Exhibit 1

## **EXHIBIT 1**

# **Grain & Oilseed Futures ETH Market Maker Program**

## **Program Purpose**

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize participants to increase overnight liquidity during Extended Trading Hours ("ETH") in the products listed below. More liquid contracts on the central limit order book benefit all participants in the marketplace.

## **Product Scope**

Corn Futures ("ZC"), Soybean Futures ("ZS"), Soybean Meal Futures ("ZM"), Soybean Oil Futures ("ZL"), KC HRW Wheat Futures ("KE"), and Chicago SRW Wheat Futures ("ZW") ("Products").

## **Eligible Participants**

There is no limit to the number of participants that may participate in the Program. Participants must be proprietary trading firms. Participants may be CBOT members or non-members.

#### **Program Term**

Start date is January 1, 2017. End date is December 31, 2017 December 31, 2018.

## **Hours**

ETH (7:00PM - 7:45AM 8:29:59AM CST).

## **Obligations**

Minimum Quoting Obligations. Each calendar month, participants must quote continuous two-sided markets in designated contract months of the Products at maximum bid/ask spreads and minimum quote sizes during a certain percentage of time-in-market.

## **Incentives**

Upon satisfying all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, each participant shall be eligible for 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 its obligations or no longer meets the eligibility requirements of the Program.