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| <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 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:

November 30, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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**RE: Modifications to the CME Housing Futures Market Maker Program
CME Submission No. 17-494**

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 Housing Futures Market Maker Program (“Program”). The modifications to the Program will become effective on January 1, 2018.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program. Modifications appear below, with additions underscored and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”). During the review, Exchange staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted: Monitoring of Trading, 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. The Exchange’s market regulation staff will monitor all trading in the Program’s products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants’ obligations under the Program 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 set forth in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the CME rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All Program participants must execute a contractual agreement with the Exchange in which they expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and Exchange 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 <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com. Please reference our CME Submission No. 17-494 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

CME Housing Futures Market Maker Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incent participants to enhance liquidity in the products listed below. A more liquid contract on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the marketplace.

Product Scope

CME S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices futures products traded on Globex® (“Products”).

Eligible Participants

CME may designate up to four (4) participants in the Program. Participants can be CME members or non-members. Potential participants are required to submit an application/bid sheet to the Exchange which is used to determine eligibility. CME staff will use a variety of factors in determining whether or not a prospective participant is selected to participate in the Program, including past performance in the Products, the prospective participant’s overall historical performance and experience acting as a market maker in other CME programs, and the ability to commit to and maintain at least the required quoting obligations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CME may, from time to time, add to or subtract from the factors listed above as it deems necessary.

Program Term

Start date is May 22, 2006. End date is ~~December 31, 2017~~ January 31, 2019.

Hours

8:00AM to 2:00PM CST (“Designated Hours”).

Obligations

Quoting Requirements: Program participants will be required to provide two-sided electronic markets in the Products with contracted bid/ask spreads that are no greater than six (6) ticks wide and a minimum quote size of at least one (1) contract per side for 90% of the time during Designated Hours.

Holiday Quoting Schedule: There will be no quoting obligations on Saturdays, Sundays, or the dates listed below. The Holiday Quoting Schedule may be adjusted by the Exchange. Participants will be given notice of any adjustments to the Holiday Quoting Schedule.

Date	Holiday	Quoting Obligation
1/2/2017 <u>1/1/2018</u>	New Year's Day (Observed)	None
1/16/2017 <u>1/15/2018</u>	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.	None
2/20/2017 <u>2/19/2018</u>	Presidents Day	None
4/14/2017 <u>3/30/2018</u>	Good Friday	None

5/29/2017 5/28/2018	Memorial Day	None
7/4/2017 7/4/2018	Independence Day	None
9/4/2017 9/3/2018	Labor Day	None
10/9/2017	Columbus Day	None
11/11/2017	Veterans Day	None
11/23/2017 11/22/2018	Thanksgiving	None
12/25/2017 12/25/2018	Christmas	None
1/1/2019	New Year's Day	None
1/21/2019	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.	None

Program Incentives

Upon satisfying all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, each Program participant shall be eligible for the following incentive:

Fee Waivers: CME shall waive the Program participant's all-in fee and E-Quotes connection fee for the Products traded through the Program participant's designated account.

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.