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Organization: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME")

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Filing Date (mm/dd/yy): November 28, 2018 Filing Description: Modifications to the CME/CBOT Asset Manager Fixed Income Incentive Program ("AMFIIP")

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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:



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**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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**RE: Modifications to the CME/CBOT Asset Manager Fixed Income Incentive Program  
CME Submission No. 18-475 (1 of 2)**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME") and The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT") (collectively, the "Exchanges") hereby notify the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the CME/CBOT Asset Manager Fixed Income Incentive Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on January 1, 2019.

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

The Exchanges reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, the Exchanges' 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 Exchanges' ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. All participant account information will be disclosed to the Exchanges' market regulation staff so that they can monitor all trading in the Program to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchanges have implemented systems to track Program participants' obligations to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The incentives in the Program do not impact the Exchanges' order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by the Exchanges' staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the Exchanges' rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute an application with the Exchanges in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and Exchanges' rules. The Program is subject to the Exchanges' record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

The Exchanges certify that the Program complies with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program.

The Exchanges certify that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchanges' 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](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@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 CME Submission No. 18-475 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## CME/CBOT Asset Manager Fixed Income Incentive Program

### **Program Purpose**

The purpose of this Program is to enhance liquidity in the products listed below that are traded on the CME Globex Platform and on the CME and CBOT trading floor. A more liquid contract benefits all participants in the market.

### **Product Scope**

All CME & CBOT MAC Swap futures, Federal Fund futures, Treasury futures, Eris Swap futures, and CME Short-Term Interest Rate ("STIR") products traded on the CME Globex Platform, and all CME & CBOT interest rate Treasury and Eurodollar options traded on the CME & CBOT trading floor ("Products").

### **Eligible Participants**

There is no limit to the number of participants. All participants must be asset managers. Participants may be members of CME or CBOT or non-members.

### **Program Term**

Start date is August 16, 2011. End date is ~~December 31, 2018~~ December 31, 2019.

### **Obligations**

Participants may not participate in any other CME or CBOT floor traded or Globex traded interest rate future and/or interest rate option fee incentive program while actively in the Program.

Only trades made through accounts that are managed/controlled by Participant may receive incentives for the Products under the Program.

This Program does not require participant Tag50 registration in the Exchange Fee System.

### **Incentives**

*Discounted Fee Incentive.* During each calendar quarter, participants may qualify to receive tiered reduced all-in fee rates for the Products, the applicable tier being dependent on each participant's open interest in the Products and average daily volume in the Products during the quarter ("Qualifying Quarter").

The fee rate for which a participant qualifies in a given Qualifying Quarter will be applied to trades made by the participant for qualifying accounts under the participant's management during the three (3) month period immediately following the applicable Qualifying Quarter.

### **Monitoring and Termination of Status**

The Exchanges shall monitor trading activity and shall retain the right to revoke Program participant status if it concludes from its review that a Program participant is not complying with Program obligations.