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Novel Derivative Product Notification	§ 40.12(a)			
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Certification Made Available to Trade Determination	§ 40.6(a)			
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Delisting (No Open Interest)	§ 40.6(a)			
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Approval Security Futures	§ 41.24(c)			
Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products	§ 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)			
"Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change"	§ 40.4(b)(5)			
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Rule Numbers:				



December 11, 2014

#### **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: Latin America Proprietary Trading Incentive Program COMEX Submission No. 14-543 (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") of plans to implement the Latin America Proprietary Trading Incentive Program ("LAPTIP" or "Program"). The Program will become effective on January 1, 2015.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program.

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; Prevention of Market Disruption, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules, and Recordkeeping.

The Program's incentive structure does not incentivize manipulative trading or market abuse and does not impact the Exchanges' ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. The Exchanges' market regulation staff will monitor trading in the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. 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. The Program is subject to these rules. The Program will be 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 <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 COMEX Submission No. 14-543 (4 of 4) in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# **EXHIBIT 1**

### LATIN AMERICA PROPRIETARY TRADING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

#### **Program Purpose**

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize proprietary trading firms in Latin American countries to trade the products listed below on the CME Globex® Platform. The resulting increase in liquidity in the products listed below benefits all participant segments in the market.

#### **Product Scope**

All CME, CBOT, NYMEX, and COMEX products traded on Globex® ("Products").

#### **Eligible Participants**

There is no limit to the amount of participants that may participate in the Program. All approved CME, CBOT, NYMEX and COMEX non-members may participate. Additionally participants must meet the following criteria:

### To qualify for LAPTIP, a participant must:

- Be located in a Latin American country, as determined by the Exchanges.
- Be a proprietary trading firm of a Latin American broker, proprietary business of banks executed by brokers from the same financial group, or an independent proprietary trading firm.
- Have all traders physically located in Latin America.
- Complete an LAPTIP application and be approved by the Exchanges.
- Execute all trades in the LAPTIP participant's name.
- Register all participating traders who must be owners, bona fide employees or independent contractors of the LAPTIP participant.
- Have a relationship with an Exchange clearing member.

### **Program Term**

Start date is January 1, 2015. End date is December 31, 2015.

### <u>Hours</u>

The incentives will apply to all trades made in the Products regardless of the execution time.

### **Program Incentives**

Once accepted into the Program, participants will be eligible to receive the following incentives:

<u>Fee Discounts</u>. Participants will be eligible to receive fee discounts for the Products that are traded on Globex® in accordance with the following table:

Product Category (For Trades Executed on Globex Only)	LAPTIP All- In Fees (Per Side)
CME Products	
Agricultural contracts - futures	\$1.50
Agricultural contracts - options	\$0.81
Weather contracts	\$0.245
Foreign Exchange - futures	\$1.00
Foreign Exchange - options	\$1.00
CME E-mini FX products	\$0.54
CME E-micro FX products	\$0.10
Foreign Exchange - Variance futures	\$0.07
Full Size Equity Index - futures	\$1.55
Full Size Equity Index - options	\$1.50
E-mini Equity Index - futures	\$0.76
E-mini Equity Index - options	\$0.445
E-micro Equity Index futures	\$0.50
USD Ibovespa futures	\$1.26
Interest Rates futures	\$0.44
Interest Rates Eurodollar and European options	\$0.44
Fixed Income Index products	\$0.59
2-Yr Eurodollar bundle futures	\$3.52
3-Yr Eurodollar bundle futures	\$5.28
5-Yr Eurodollar bundle futures	\$8.80
2-Yr Eurodollar bundle options	\$2.89
3-Yr Eurodollar bundle options	\$4.22
5-Yr Eurodollar bundle options	\$6.87
CBOT Products	
Full size Agricultural products	\$1.45
Mini-sized Agricultural futures	\$0.90
ICS & CS Agricultural options	\$2.06
\$25 Dow products	\$0.90
\$10 Dow products	\$0.57
Mini \$5 Dow products	\$0.75
DJ U.S. Real Estate Index futures	\$0.75
U.S. Treasury futures	\$0.49
U.S. Treasury options	\$0.49
Other financial products	\$0.49
Deliverable IR swap futures	\$0.49

NYMEX Products	
Energy contracts (Physicals)	\$1.10
COMEX Products	
Metals futures contracts (Physicals)	\$1.10

## **Monitoring and Termination of Status**

The Exchanges 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.