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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: Implementation of the Anchor Bank Program for FX Futures Calendar Spreads CME Submission No. 17-516

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to implement the Anchor Bank Program for FX Futures Calendar Spreads ("Program"). The proposed Program will become effective on February 1, 2018.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CME 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 will 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 CME 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 CME 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.

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 <u>http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</u>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail <u>CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</u> or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at <u>Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com</u>. Please reference our CME Submission No. 17-516 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Enclosure: Exhibit 1

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# **EXHIBIT 1**

# Anchor Bank Program for FX Futures Calendar Spreads

## Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize large global bank participants to increase liquidity and volume in foreign exchange ("FX") futures calendar spreads. More liquid contracts on the central limit order book benefit all participants in the marketplace.

#### Product Scope

All FX futures traded on the CME Globex® Platform ("Products").

### Eligible Participants

There is no limit to the number of participants that may participate in the Program. Participants must be self-clearing CME member banks.

### Program Term

Start date is February 1, 2018. End date is July 31, 2020.

#### <u>Hours</u>

N/A

#### **Obligations**

Participants must meet certain volume thresholds in order to be eligible for the Program incentives.

#### **Incentives**

Upon satisfying all Program obligations as determined by the Exchange, participants will be eligible to receive 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 has failed to meet the eligibility requirements or obligations of the Program.