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| Approval Security Futures | § 41.23(b) |
| Novel Derivative Product Notification | § 40.12(a) |
| Swap Submission | § 39.5 |
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| Certification Security Futures | § 41.24(a) |
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| Approval | § 40.5(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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VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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RE: Elimination of NYMEX/COMEX Cross-Division Exchange Rates

NYMEX Submission No. 16-566 (1 of 2)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX") and Commodity Exchange, Inc. ("COMEX") (collectively, the "Exchanges") hereby notify the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that effective January 1, 2017, the NYMEX/COMEX cross-division exchange rates will be eliminated from the NYMEX/COMEX fee schedule, with the exception of certain NYMEX metals products.

The elimination of the NYMEX/COMEX cross-division exchange rates will remove current columns J and P from the NYMEX/COMEX fee schedule. The current NYMEX/COMEX fee schedule can be found at: https://www.cmegroup.com/company/files/NYMEX-Fee-Schedule.xlsx. Market participants were notified of this elimination via Special Executive Report ("SER") #7743, which is attached under separate cover as Exhibit 1.

The Exchanges reviewed the designated contract market ("DCM") core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, Exchange staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted:

<u>Availability of General Information</u>: As required by this Core Principle, the Exchanges will publish the modified fee schedule on the CME Group website to ensure that market participants have been advised of the cross-division exchange rate elimination.

<u>Financial Resources</u>: The proposed exchange rate elimination will not impact the Exchanges' ability to discharge its financial, operational, or managerial responsibilities as DCMs.

The Exchanges certify that the cross-division exchange rate elimination complies with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchanges certify that this submission has been concurrently posted on the CME Group 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 NYMEX Submission No. 16-566 (1 of 2) in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

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