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Organization: New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX")

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- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
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- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

Official Product Name:

Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
- Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a)
- 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)
- Notification § 40.6(d)

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:

Rule Numbers:

December 15, 2015

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Christopher Kirkpatrick
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Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20581

**RE: NYMEX Facilitation Fee Schedule Modifications for NYMEX Freight Contracts
NYMEX Submission No. 15-579**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or “Exchange”) hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) that it will amend the listed facilitation fees (“Fee Schedule”) for the NYMEX Freight contracts listed in Exhibit 1 below. The modifications to the Fee Schedule will be effective on January 1, 2016.

The modified Fee Schedule for the NYMEX Freight contracts is set forth in Exhibit 1 below, with additions underlined and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

The Exchange 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:

Availability of General Information: As required by this Core Principle, the Exchange will publish the modified Fee Schedule on the CME Group website to ensure that market participants have been advised of the revised fees for these contracts. The Exchange also issued Special Executive Report (“SER”) #7497R to the marketplace on October 19, 2015 regarding the proposed fee schedule modifications, which is posted on the CME Group website.

Financial Resources: The proposed fee changes will not impact the Exchange’s ability to discharge its financial, operational, or managerial responsibilities as a DCM.

The Exchange certifies that the proposed modifications to the Fee Schedule comply with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

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 NYMEX Submission No. 15-579 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: NYMEX Facilitation Fee Schedule Modifications for NYMEX Freight Contracts (blackline format)

EXHIBIT 1

NYMEX Fee Schedule

(additions underlined and deletions ~~overstruck~~)

Product Code	Product Name	Facilitation Fee
CF2	Capesize 2014 Time Charter Average (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
CFU	Capesize Time Charter Average (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
FLP	Freight Route Liquid Petroleum Gas (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
FRC	Freight Route TC14 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
FRS	Freight Route TC12 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
HFT	Handysize Time Charter Average (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
PFU	Panamax Time Charter Average (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
SFT	Supramax Time Charter Average (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TC6	Freight Route TC6 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TCF	Freight Route TC5 (Platts) Average Price Options	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TCW	Freight Route TC2 (Baltic) Average Price Options	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TDT	Freight Route TD3 (Baltic) Average Price Options	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TH	Freight Route TC5 (Platts) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TK	Freight Route TD7 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TL	Freight Route TD3 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>
TM	Freight Route TC2 (Baltic) Futures	\$1.50 <u>\$0.40</u>