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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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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:

Timothy Elliott
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November 12, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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> RE: **Modifications to the Credit Futures Market Maker Program**
>   **CBOT Submission No. 24-476**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the Credit Futures Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on December 1, 2024.

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

CBOT reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CBOT staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted: Monitoring of Trading, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules, Availability of General Information, and Recordkeeping.

The Program does not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA and the Exchange's market regulation staff will monitor trading in the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' obligations to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The incentives in the Program do not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by Exchange staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the CBOT rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with the Exchange in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and CBOT rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

CBOT 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 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 CBOT Submission No. 24-476 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Timothy Elliott
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

Credit Futures Market Maker Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to encourage participants to support the launch and development of the products listed below. More liquid contracts on the central limit order book benefit all participants in the marketplace.

Product Scope

Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment Grade Index Futures ("IQB"), Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Very Liquid Index Futures ("HYB"), Bloomberg U.S. Corporate Investment Grade Duration-Hedged Index Futures ("DHB"), <u>Bloomberg HY Credit Futures vs. 5-Year T-Note Futures ("HYV"), Bloomberg IG Credit Futures vs. 10-Year T-Note Futures ("IQT"),</u> and the corresponding Basis Trade at Index Close ("BTIC") transactions (collectively, the "Products").

Eligible Participants

There is no limit to the number of participants that may enroll in the Program. Participants may be CBOT members or non-members.

Program Term

Start date is June 17, 2024. End date is ~~November 30, 2024~~ <u>May 31, 2025</u>.

Hours

RTH (7:00AM – 4:00PM CT).

Obligations

In order to be eligible to receive the incentives, participants must quote two-sided markets in the Products, at predetermined average bid/ask spreads and minimum quote sizes during a certain percentage of time-in-market.

Incentives

Upon meeting the obligations, as determined by the Exchange, participants will receive predetermined incentives.

Monitoring and Termination of Status

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke participant status if it concludes from review that a participant no longer meets the requirements of the Program.