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Organization: The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT")

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Organization Rules and Rule Amendments

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification | § 40.6(a) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification Security Futures | § 41.23(a) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval | § 40.3(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Security Futures | § 41.23(b) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Novel Derivative Product Notification | § 40.12(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Swap Submission | § 39.5 |

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Certification | § 40.6(a) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Certification Security Futures | § 41.24(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Delisting (No Open Interest) | § 40.6(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval | § 40.5(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Made Available to Trade Determination | § 40.5(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Security Futures | § 41.24(c) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products | § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" | § 40.4(b)(5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Notification | § 40.6(d) |

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected: Black Sea Wheat Futures

Rule Numbers: CBOT Chapter 33

April 11, 2016

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher Kirkpatrick
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
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Washington, D.C. 20581

**RE: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding Amendments to Black Sea Wheat Futures Contract.
CBOT Submission No. 16-143**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. (“CBOT” or “Exchange”) is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) that it is self-certifying amendments to the Black Sea Wheat Futures contract (the “Contract”) (CME Globex Code: BSW; Clearing Code: BSW; Rulebook Chapter 33), effective on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 for trade date Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

Specifically, effective with the July 2016 contract month and beyond, the Exchange will amend Rule 33106. (“Delivery Ports”) to delete the delivery location of the Port of Sevastopol, in Crimea due to the instability in the region. Also effective on April 27, 2016, the Exchange will list three (3) additional contract expirations – July 2016, September 2016, and December 2016. Amendments to Rule 33106. appear in Exhibit A in blackline format.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”) and identified that the modifications may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- Prevention of Market Disruption: The removal of the Port of Sevastopol, in Crimea, will ensure that there are no disruptions to the delivery process due to instability in the region. The additional listing of contract expirations will not affect the Exchange’s monitoring and surveillance. As with all products listed for trading on one of CME Group’s designated contract markets, activity will be subject to extensive monitoring and surveillance by CME Group’s Market Regulation Department.
- Daily Publication of Trading Information: The Exchange will report in a manner consistent with how activity is currently reported for all relevant information on newly listed contract expirations.
- Execution of Transactions: Additional listed contract expirations will not impact the Exchange’s order execution, which will continue as before.
- Trade Information: Additional listed contract expirations will be included in the Exchange’s Trade Information.
- Protection of Market Participants: Exchange Rules include prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. These rules will continue to apply with all newly listed expirations.
- Availability of General Information: To comply with this Core Principle and to ensure that market participants are apprised of the amendments, CBOT will issue a CME Group Special Executive

Report ("SER") to provide notification to the marketplace. The SER will be also posted on the CME Group website.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the aforementioned amendments comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views regarding the proposed amendments were expressed to the Exchange.

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 me at 212-299-2200.

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit A – Amendments to CBOT Rule 33106.

Exhibit A

**CBOT Rulebook
Chapter 33
Black Sea Wheat Futures**

(Deletions are in ~~strike through~~.)

33106. DELIVERY PORTS

Delivery shall be at one of the following Ports:

Ukraine

Port of Ilichivsk

Port of Odessa

~~Port of Sevastopol~~

Port of Yuzhny

Port of Nikolaev

Russia

Port of Novorossiysk

Port of Tuapse

Port of Taman

Romania

Port of Constanta

Sellers shall guarantee the ability to load handy vessels and allow sailing for vessels with maximum draft of 10.3 meters.

The Exchange may declare additional delivery ports that shall apply on all contracts outstanding or made thereafter.