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September 21, 2015

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding the Delisting of the December 2016 Contract Month for the U.S. Treasury Note Futures and Companion Standard and Flex Options Contracts.

CBOT Submission No. 15-404

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 the delisting of trading in Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures (6 1/2 to 10-Year) for December 2016 delivery and the companion Standard and Flex Options on such futures, as described in Exhibit 1, effective immediately. The contract month subject to this action has no open interest.

The suspension of trading in the December contract month is part of the Exchange's plan to reduce the listing schedules of the aforementioned contracts such that the number of quarterly expiration months from five to three for all U.S. Treasury Note futures and options. Please see CBOT Submission No. 15-405 also dated September 21, 2015.

Exhibit 1

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Product Title-Rulebook Chapter	Commodity Code	Delivery Month to be Delisted on 22 Sep 2015 (CME Globex, CBOT Trading Floor, CME ClearPort)
Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures (6 1/2 to 10-Year)-19	ZN	December 2016
Standard Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures-19A	OZN	December 2016
Flexible Options on Long-Term U.S. Treasury Note Futures-19B	OZN	December 2016

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 suspension of the contracts may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- <u>Emergency Authority</u>: There is no open interest in the contracts submitted for suspension, and therefore there will be no market disruption related to their suspension.
- <u>Availability of General Information</u>: The Exchange will make publically available the details of the
 contracts' delisting by publishing a Special Executive Report ("SER") to the market. The SER will
 be available on CME Group's website.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the suspension of these contract months complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act. 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.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200 or via e-mail at CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com.

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel