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Organization: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME")

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**Organization Rules and Rule Amendments**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Notification § 40.6(d)
- Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change § 40.10(a)
- SIDCO Emergency Rule Change § 40.10(h)

**Rule Numbers:**

**New Product**

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- Certification § 40.2(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
- Approval § 40.3(a)
- 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:** Live Cattle Futures and Options on Live Cattle Futures

**Rule Numbers:** Chapters 101 and 101A

December 10, 2015

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
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**RE: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding Amendments to the Listing Schedule for the CME Live Cattle Futures and Options Contracts.  
CME Submission No. 15-548**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME” or “Exchange”) is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) that it is self-certifying amendments to the listing schedule for the Live Cattle Futures and Options contracts. The Exchange will temporarily halt the listing of the June 2017 Live Cattle futures and options contracts, normally scheduled for listing on January 4, 2016, and subsequent contract months, pending consideration of changes in contract specifications precipitated by the pending repeal of federal mandatory country of origin labeling (“COOL”) laws for beef and pork. CME is continuing to engage in discussions with market participants regarding potential elimination of the prohibition on delivering non-US origin cattle for contract months from June 2017 forward. Please see CME Submission No. 15-538 dated December 3, 2015, with respect to the current requirement that cattle delivered against the existing CME Live Cattle futures contract months must be of U.S. origin.

This Submission shall become effective on Monday, December 28, 2015.

Product	Rule Chapter	Clearing Code	CME Globex Code	Floor Code	CME ClearPort Code
Live Cattle Futures	101	LC	LE	N/A	48
Live Cattle TAS futures	101	LET	LET	N/A	N/A
Live Cattle Options	101A	LC	LE	CK, PK	48
Live Cattle Calendar Spread Options	101B	C0A, C0B, C0C	L0A, L0B, L0C	C0A, C0B, C0C	None

The listing of additional contract months is being temporarily delayed to allow time for adequate consideration of the views of the marketplace and a determination as to whether changes to the CME Live Cattle futures contract are desirable.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”) and identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted:

**Availability of General Information:** The Exchange shall publish on its website information in regard to futures contract specifications, terms and conditions, and any changes to the delivery procedures.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the amendments comply 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](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com).

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel