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Mr. David Stawick Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20581

# RE:

Amendments to CME Rule 578 and CBOT Rules 5B.01, 536, 542, 578 and 129. Submitted per Sec 5c(c)(1) of the CEA and Regulation Sec. 40.6(a) thereunder. CME/CBOT Submission #08-09.

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME") and the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") (collectively, "the Exchanges") hereby certify the attached amendments, per Sec. 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act and Regulation Sec. 40.6(a) thereunder.

The Exchanges intend to implement these rule changes as of January 13, 2008. On that date, CBOT products presently traded electronically on e-cbot® will begin to migrate to the CME Globex® platform. The migration of all CBOT products to Globex is scheduled to be completed as of January 27, 2008, with exception of CBOT metals products, which will continue to trade on e-cbot. The text of these amendments is included in the attachment below, with additional underlined and deletions bracketed and overstruck.

The Exchange certifies that these actions neither violate nor are inconsistent with any portion of the Commodity Exchange Act or of the rules thereunder.

If you require any additional information regarding this action, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Robert Sniegowski at 312-648-5493 or via e-mail at <u>robert.sniegowski@cmegroup.com</u> or me. We would be appreciative if you could reference our CBOT Submission #08-05 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

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Additions are underlined; Deletions are struck through.

## CME Rules

#### 578. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, NO WARRANTIES

[Sections A. – C. are unchanged.]

D. THE EXCHANGE, AND WITH RESPECT TO "AUCTIONS," CME ALTERNATIVE MARKETPLACE INC., MAY, IN THEIR RESPECTIVE SOLE DISCRETION, ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR DIRECT, OUT-OF-POCKET LOSSES DIRECTLY CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF GLOBEX CONTROL CENTER OR OTHER EXCHANGE STAFF AND/OR ORDER STATUS ERRORS PROVIDED BY THE GLOBEX CONTROL CENTER OR AN EXCHANGE SYSTEM, SERVICE OR FACILITY. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, i) THE EXCHANGE'S; ii) CBOT'S (except with respect to any products traded on e-cbot, which are governed by Rule 5B.19); AND iii) WITH RESPECT TO AUCTIONS, CME ALTERNATIVE MARKETPLACE INC.'S TOTAL COMBINED AGGREGATE OBLIGATIONS SHALL NOT EXCEED \$100,000 FOR ALL LOSSES FROM ALL CAUSES SUFFERED ON A SINGLE DAY; \$200,000 FOR ALL LOSSES SUFFERED FROM ALL CAUSES IN A SINGLE CALENDAR MONTH; AND \$2,400,000 FOR ALL LOSSES FROM ALL CAUSES SUFFERED IN A SINGLE CALENDAR YEAR. ANY DISPUTED CLAIM PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH D MUST BE ARBITRATED PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE RULES.

[The remainder of the rule is unchanged.]

### CBOT Rules

### 129. CBOT MINI-SIZED CONTRACT PERMIT HOLDERS' TRADING PRIVILEGES

Floor Access Members of the MidAmerica Commodity Exchange ("MidAm") who were on record as of September 1, 2001 and who remained Floor Access Members thereafter, at least for as long as MidAm continued to have contracts listed for trading, shall be classified as CBOT mini-sized Contract Permit Holders. These Permit Holders will be eligible to trade as principal and as broker for others in CBOT mini-sized Corn, Soybean, and Wheat futures on the Exchange Floor and on the <u>Globex e-cbet</u> system and Rough Rice futures and futures options contracts on the Exchange Floor and on the <u>Globex e-cbet</u> system. Such persons may communicate from the Exchange Floor with non-member customers in the same manner as members may do so, but only with respect to CBOT mini-sized Corn, Soybean and Wheat contracts and Rough Rice contracts.

In the exercise of these privileges, such persons shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Exchange and to all duties and obligations imposed upon members under the Rules and Regulations; provided, however, that the Exchange may exempt such persons from any such duty or obligation which, in its sole judgment, is incompatible or in conflict with, or is unrelated to, the activities performed by them.

The Exchange may, in its discretion, impose fees, charges and assessments upon Permit Holders pursuant to this rule.

#### 5B.01 Applicability of Rules

The rules and regulations contained in this Chapter govern those Exchange contracts that are traded through the e-cbot system. <u>References to "Globex" in other sections of this Rulebook</u> shall apply equally to e-cbot, and references to "terminal operators" shall apply equally to members and "Registered Users" accessing e-cbot, unless specifically excluded therefrom, and except for such references in Rules 573, 574, 576, 579.B, 579.C, 579.D, and 587, and in the provisions of Chapter 6. However, tTo the extent that the provisions in this Chapter conflict with rules and regulations in other sections of this Rulebook, this Chapter supersedes such rules and regulations and governs the manner in which contracts are traded through the e-cbot system. Otherwise, contracts traded on the e-cbot system are fully subject to applicable general rules and regulations of the Exchange unless specifically and expressly excluded therefrom.

#### **RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS FOR PIT, GLOBEX, AND NEGOTIATED** 536. TRADES

[Section A. is unchanged.]

#### 536.B. **Globex Order Entry**

Each Globex terminal operator entering orders into Globex shall; a) sign onto the Globex system before entering orders by inputting the user ID assigned him by CBOT, a clearing member or other authorized entity and b) input for each order the price, quantity, product, expiration month, CTI code and account number (except as provided in Section C.), and, for options, put or call and strike price. The Globex terminal operator's user ID must be present on each order entered. For a Globex terminal operator with access pursuant to Rule 574. clearing members authorizing such access will be responsible for the Globex terminal operator's compliance with this rule.

With respect to orders received by a Globex terminal operator which are capable of being immediately entered into Globex, no record other than that set forth above need be made. However, if a Globex terminal operator receives an order which cannot be immediately entered into Globex, the Globex terminal operator must prepare a written order and include the account designation, date, time of receipt and other information required pursuant to section A.1. above. The order must be entered into Globex when it becomes executable.

Rule 536.B. shall not apply to e-cbot, or members and Registered Users accessing e-cbot, and the provisions of Chapter 5B will govern e-cbot order entry requirements.

#### SIMULTANEOUS SPREAD AND COMBINATION TRANSACTIONS 542.

[Sections A. - E. are unchanged.]

On Globex, spread or combination transactions shall be made by inputting the spread F differential or combination price into the Globex system.

For combinations traded on Globex in price terms, the Exchange will allocate the combination trade price among the individual options in the combination for clearing purposes.

Rule 542.F. shall not apply to e-cbot.

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#### LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, NO WARRANTIES

- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BELOW, THE EXCHANGE AND CHICAGO MERCANTILE Α EXCHANGE INC. ("CME"), (INCLUDING EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES), THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONSULTANTS, LICENSORS, MEMBERS, AND CLEARING MEMBERS, SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO ANY PERSON FOR ANY LOSSES, DAMAGES, COSTS OR EXPENSES (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LOSS OF PROFITS, LOSS OF USE, AND DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES), ARISING FROM:
  - ANY FAILURE, MALFUNCTION, FAULT IN DELIVERY, DELAY, OMISSION, (i) SUSPENSION, INACCURACY, INTERRUPTION, TERMINATION, OR ANY OTHER CAUSE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE FURNISHING, PERFORMANCE, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, USE OF OR INABILITY TO USE ALL OR ANY PART OF ANY OF THE SYSTEMS AND SERVICES OF THE EXCHANGE OR CME, OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT SUCH SYSTEMS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ELECTRONIC ORDER THROUGH TRADING ANY ELECTRONIC ENTRY/DELIVERY, MEANS, ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION OF MARKET DATA OR INFORMATION, WORKSTATIONS USED BY MEMBERS AND AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES OF MEMBERS, PRICE REPORTING SYSTEMS AND ANY AND ALL TERMINALS, COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS, CENTRAL COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE. HARDWARE, FIRMWARE AND PRINTERS RELATING THERETO; OR
  - (ii) ANY FAILURE OR MALFUNCTION, FAULT IN DELIVERY, DELAY, OMISSION, SUSPENSION, INACCURACY, INTERRUPTION OR TERMINATION, OR ANY

OTHER CAUSE, OF ANY SYSTEM OR SERVICE OF THE EXCHANGE OR CME, OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT SUCH SYSTEMS OR SERVICES, CAUSED BY ANY THIRD PARTIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INDEPENDENT SOFTWARE VENDORS AND NETWORK PROVIDERS; OR

- (iii) ANY ERRORS OR INACCURACIES IN INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE EXCHANGE OR CME OR ANY EXCHANGE OR CME SYSTEM, SERVICE OR FACILITY; EXCEPT FOR INCORRECT ORDER STATUSING INFORMATION AS PROVIDED IN RULE 579 (GLOBEX CONTROL CENTER AND ORDER STATUSING); OR
- (iv) ANY UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF ANY EXCHANGE OR CME SYSTEM, SERVICE OR FACILITY BY ANY PERSON.

THE FOREGOING LIMITATION OF LIABILITY SHALL APPLY WHETHER A CLAIM ARISES IN CONTRACT, TORT, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, CONTRIBUTION OR OTHERWISE AND WHETHER THE CLAIM IS BROUGHT DIRECTLY OR AS A THIRD PARTY CLAIM.

THE FOREGOING LIMITATION OF LIABILITY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT AND REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. A PARTY WHO HAS BEEN FINALLY ADJUDICATED TO HAVE ENGAGED IN WILLFUL OR WANTON MISCONDUCT MAY NOT AVAIL ITSELF OF THE PROTECTIONS IN THIS RULE.

- B. THERE ARE NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE) PROVIDED BY THE EXCHANGE OR CME (INCLUDING THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES), THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONSULTANTS, AND LICENSORS RELATING TO ANY SYSTEMS OR SERVICES OF THE EXCHANGE OR CME OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT SUCH SYSTEMS OR SERVICES, INCLUDING THE GLOBEX SYSTEM.
- C. ANY DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF THE USE OF SYSTEMS OR SERVICES OF THE EXCHANGE OR CME OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT SUCH SYSTEMS OR SERVICES IN WHICH THE EXCHANGE OR CME (INCLUDING EITHER OF THEIR SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES), OR ANY OF THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONSULTANTS OR LICENSORS IS A PARTY SHALL BE ARBITRATED PURSUANT TO RULE 621. ANY ARBITRATION SHALL BE BROUGHT WITHIN THE PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY EXCHANGE RULES. ANY OTHER ACTIONS, SUITS OR PROCEEDINGS AGAINST ANY OF THE ABOVE MUST BE BROUGHT WITHIN TWO YEARS FROM THE TIME THAT A CAUSE OF ACTION HAS ACCRUED. THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL IN NO WAY BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT A PARTY'S OBLIGATION TO ARBITRATE ITS CLAIM OR TO CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION AND SHALL NOT AUTHORIZE AN ACTION THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE PROHIBITED BY CBOT RULES. IF FOR ANY REASON. A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION FINDS THAT SUCH DISPUTE IS NOT ARBITRABLE, SUCH DISPUTE MAY ONLY BE LITIGATED IN THE COUNTY OF COOK IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PROVISIONS OF ILLINOIS LAW THAT WOULD APPLY THE SUBSTANTIVE LAW OF A DIFFERENT JURISDICTION. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, ANY SUCH DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF THE USE OF e-cbot, OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT e-cbot, MAY ONLY BE LITIGATED IN THE COUNTY OF COOK IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY PROVISIONS OF ILLINOIS LAW THAT WOULD APPLY THE SUBSTANTIVE LAW OF A DIFFERENT JURISDICTION.\_ANY SUCH ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING AGAINST ANY OF THE ABOVE, ARISING OUT OF THE USE OF e-cbot, OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT e-cbot, MUST BE BROUGHT WITHIN TWO YEARS FROM THE TIME THAT A CAUSE OF ACTION HAS ACCRUED. THIS PARAGRAPH C SHALL IN NO WAY BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION AND SHALL NOT AUTHORIZE AN ACTION THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE PROHIBITED BY CBOT RULES.

- D. THE EXCHANGE AND CME MAY, IN THEIR SOLE DISCRETION, ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR DIRECT, OUT-OF-POCKET LOSSES DIRECTLY CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF GLOBEX CONTROL CENTER OR OTHER EXCHANGE OR CME STAFF AND/OR ORDER STATUS ERRORS PROVIDED BY THE GLOBEX CONTROL CENTER OR AN EXCHANGE OR CME SYSTEM, SERVICE OR FACILITY. NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, THE EXCHANGE'S AND CME'S TOTAL COMBINED AGGREGATE OBLIGATIONS SHALL NOT EXCEED \$100,000 FOR ALL LOSSES FROM ALL CAUSES SUFFERED ON A SINGLE DAY; \$200,000 FOR ALL LOSSES SUFFERED FROM ALL CAUSES IN A SINGLE CALENDAR MONTH; AND \$2,400,000 FOR ALL LOSSES FROM ALL CAUSES SUFFERED IN A SINGLE CALENDAR YEAR. ANY DISPUTED CLAIM PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH D MUST BE ARBITRATED PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE RULES. IF SUCH AN ARBITRATION IS PERMITTED BY EXCHANGE RULES.
- E. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE EXCHANGE'S OR CME'S, TOTAL COMBINED AGGREGATE LIABILITY FOR ALL CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF ANY NEGLIGENCE, FAILURES, MALFUNCTIONS, FAULTS IN DELIVERY, DELAYS, OMISSIONS, SUSPENSIONS, INACCURACIES, INTERRUPTIONS, TERMINATIONS, ORDER STATUSING ERRORS OR ANY OTHER CAUSES, IN CONNECTION WITH THE FURNISHING, PERFORMANCE, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, USE OF OR INABILITY TO USE ALL OR ANY PART OF ANY OF THE EXCHANGE'S OR CME'S SYSTEMS OR SERVICES, OR SERVICES, EQUIPMENT OR FACILITIES USED TO SUPPORT SUCH SYSTEMS AND SERVICES, OR THE NEGLIGENCE OF EXCHANGE OR CME STAFF, EXCEED \$2,400,000 IN ANY GIVEN CALENDAR YEAR.

IF THE NUMBER OF ALLOWED CLAIMS ARISING OUT OF ANY FAILURES OR MALFUNCTIONS ON A SINGLE DAY OR SINGLE MONTH CANNOT BE FULLY SATISFIED BECAUSE OF THE ABOVE DOLLAR LIMITATIONS, ALL SUCH CLAIMS SHALL BE LIMITED TO A PRO RATA SHARE OF THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR THE RESPECTIVE PERIOD.

A CLAIM AGAINST THE EXCHANGE OR CME, ARISING OUT OF ANY FAILURE OR MALFUNCTION SHALL ONLY BE ALLOWED IF SUCH CLAIM IS BROUGHT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS RULE.

F. TO THE EXTENT THAT ANY PROVISION OF RULE 578.A. THROUGH 578.E. ABOVE IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF REGULATION 5B.19 <u>WITH RESPECT TO</u> <u>ANY PRODUCTS TRADED ON e-cbot</u>, THE PROVISIONS OF REGULATION 5B.19 SHALL CONTROL AND SHALL SUPERCEDE SUCH INCONSISTENT PROVISION.