

February 27, 2013

## Via Electronic Mail

Ms. Melissa Jurgens Secretary Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

## Re: <u>CBOE Futures Exchange, LLC Rule Certification</u> Submission Number CFE-2013-09

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended ("Act"), and §40.6(a) of the regulations promulgated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") under the Act, CBOE Futures Exchange, LLC ("CFE" or "Exchange") hereby submits a replacement CFE rule amendment ("Amendment") to provide that CFE may act as a back-up calculator and reporting authority for Radar Logic 28-Day Real Estate Index ("RPX") values in the event that Radar Logic, Incorporated ("RLI") is unable to act in those capacities. CFE originally submitted a summary notice of this change to the CFTC on February 27, 2013 and concurrently notified its Trading Privilege Holders of this change and posted a copy of the summary notice on the CFE website. Following discussion with Thomas Leahy of the CFTC staff, the original filing has been re-styled as a rule certification and no other changes have been made to the substantive content of the summary notice. The effective date of the Amendment is March 14, 2013 (ten business days from the day of submission of the original filing).

As background, CFE filed with the Commission on October 12, 2011 rules and terms and conditions, including a summary product specifications chart, for a group of CFE products called RPX futures.<sup>1</sup> The filing and product specification chart indicated that the RPX values are calculated by RLI. RPX futures were first listed for trading on CFE on February 2, 2012.

The Amendment amends the summary product specifications chart for RPX futures to provide that CFE may act as a back-up calculator and reporting authority for RPX values in the event that RLI is unable to act in those capacities. Specifically, the summary product specifications chart is amended so that the terms and conditions for RPX futures now provide that CFE may calculate and act as the reporting authority for RPX values in the event that RLI is unable to calculate and disseminate RPX values. In such an event, CFE will use the same source

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See CFE Product Certification and Rule Certification Submission Number CFE-2011-020.

data that RLI uses to calculate RPX values and will calculate RPX values using the same methodology that RLI uses to calculate RPX values.

CFE believes that the Amendment is consistent with Designated Contract Market ("DCM") Core Principle 4 (Prevention of Market Disruption) under Section 5 of the Act in that the designation of a back-up calculator and reporting authority for RPX futures will reduce the potential risk of market disruption by allowing for the interrupted calculation of RPX values in the event that RLI were to become unable to continue calculating and disseminating those values.

CFE believes that the impact of the Amendment will be beneficial to the public and market participants. CFE is not aware of any substantive opposing views to the Amendment. CFE hereby certifies that the Amendment complies with the Act and the regulations thereunder. CFE further certifies that CFE has posted a notice of pending certification with the Commission and a copy of this submission on CFE's Web site (http://cfe.cboe.com/aboutcfe/rules.aspx) concurrent with the filing of this submission with the Commission.

The summary product specifications chart for RPX futures is marked to show additions in underlined text and deletions in [bracket] text. No rule text was revised by the Amendment.

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Questions regarding this submission may be directed to Arthur Reinstein at (312) 786-7570 or Jenny Golding at (312) 786-7466. Please reference our submission number CFE-2013-09 in any related correspondence.

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## Summary Product Specifications Chart for Radar Logic 28-Day Real Estate Index ("RPX") Futures

<b>CONTRACT NAME:</b>	RPX Futures
LISTING DATE:	February 2, 2012
DESCRIPTION:	A Radar Logic 28-Day Real Estate Index ("RPX") is an aggregate of residential real estate prices comprised of all transactions that occur during a designated 28-day calendar period. On each CFE business day, except when Columbus Day and Veterans Day are observed on a CFE business day, Radar Logic, Incorporated ("RLI") calculates a single value representing the price per square foot paid for residentia real estate in a defined Metropolitan Statistical Area ("MSA"). RLI gathers data from public source records which is then translated by RLI's proprietary algorithms into a reflection of the values paid in actual arm's-length real estate transactions.
	The Exchange may list RPX Futures on ten MSAs: Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Miami, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Phoenix and Washington DC.
	The Exchange may also list RPX Futures on four geographical regions consisting of fixed-weight composites of MSAs in the applicable geographical region: Midwest Region (which includes the MSAs for Chicago, Cleveland, Columbus, Detroit, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and St. Louis), Northeast Region (which includes the MSAs for Boston, New York and Philadelphia), West Region (which includes the MSAs for Denver, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose and Seattle) and South Region (which includes MSAs for Atlanta, Charlotte, Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa and Washington DC).
	Additionally, the Exchange may list RPX Futures on the 25-MSA Composite (which includes the MSAs for Atlanta, Boston, Charlotte Chicago, Cleveland, Columbus, Denver, Detroit, Jacksonville, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, New York Philadelphia, Phoenix, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, Seattle, St. Louis, Tampa and Washington DC).
	The Exchange may calculate and act as the reporting authority for <u>RPX values in the event that RLI is unable to calculate and</u> disseminate RPX values.
CONTRACT SIZE:	The contract multiplier for each RPX Futures is \$10.00.
TRADING HOURS:	8:30 a.m 3:00 p.m. Chicago time.
CONTRACT MONTHS:	Up to twenty quarterly expirations may be listed for each RPX Future. Each RPX Future listed by the Exchange will cover a designated 28-day calendar period and will expire 63 days after the end of the 28-day calendar period measured by the expiring contract For example, a June 2012 RPX Futures settling on June 29, 2012 would be based on the 28 day-calendar period ending April 27, 2012. The following expiration listing convention for RPX Futures will be

	used:		
	Contract Expiration Month March	<b>28-Day Calendar Period Ending</b> January	
	June	April	
	September	July	
	December	October	
	be listed in the 25-MSA Compo	mber contract expiration months will osite RPX Futures and five near-term h 2012 and September 2012 contact	
TICKER SYMBOL:	Chicago – RPCH	2	
	New York – RPNY		
	Los Angeles – RPLA		
	Las Vegas – RPLV		
	Miami – RPMI		
	San Diego – RPSD		
	San Francisco – RPSF		
	Seattle – RPSE		
	Phoenix – RPPX		
	Washington DC – RPWA		
	Midwest Region RPX Futures –	RPXM	
	Northeast Region RPX Futures –		
	West Region RPX Futures – RP2		
	South Region RPX Futures – RP		
	25-MSA Composite RPX Future		
<b>PRICING CONVENTIONS:</b>	Both futures prices and cash index levels are stated in decimal format.		
MINIMUM PRICE INTERVALS:	0.05 of one RPX index point (e	equal to \$0.50 per contract). 0.01 of	
	one RPX index point (equal to \$0	0.10 per contract) for spreads.	
<b>DOLLAR VALUE PER TICK:</b>	\$0.50 per contract.	Juwen Juwen and	
<b>CROSSING TWO OR MORE</b>	CFE Rule 2002(h). The eligible size for an original Order that may b		
<b>ORIGINAL ORDERS:</b>		one or more other original Orders	
		tract. The Trading Privilege Holder or	
		e, must expose to the market for at	
		407(b) at least one of the original	
	Orders that it intends to cross.		
EXCHANGE OF CONTRACT	•••	of Contract for Related Position	
FOR RELATED POSITION		414, may be entered into with respect	
TRANSACTIONS:		ge of Contract for Related Position	
	transaction must satisfy th	ne requirements of Rule 414.	
		for an Exchange of Contract for volving RPX Futures is 0.01 index	
BLOCK TRADES:		Rule 415(a)(i), the minimum Block	
		is 200 contracts if there is only one	
		Block Trade is executed as a spread	
		nimum Block Trade quantity for RPX	
	-	must have a contract size that is	

	reasonably related to the leg meeting the minimum Block Trade quantity. If the Block Trade is executed as a transaction with legs in multiple contract months and all legs of the Block Trade are exclusively for the purchase or exclusively for the sale of RPX Futures (a "strip"), the minimum Block Trade quantity for the strip is 300 contracts and each leg of the strip is required to have a minimum size of 100 contracts.
	The minimum price increment for a Block Trade in RPX Futures
NO-BUST RANGE:	<ul> <li>contract is 0.01 index points.</li> <li>CFE Rule 2002(1). Pursuant to Rule 416, the Exchange error trade policy may only be invoked for a trade price that is greater than 10% on either side of the market price of the applicable RPX Futures. In accordance with Policy and Procedure III, the Help Desk will determine what the true market price for the relevant Contract was immediately before the potential error trade occurred. In making that determination, the Help Desk may consider all relevant factors, including the last trade price for such Contract, a better bid or offer price, a more recent price in a different contract month, and the prices of related contracts trading on the Exchange or other markets.</li> </ul>
TERMINATION OF TRADING:	The close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the Final Settlement Date of the expiring RPX Future. When the regularly scheduled last trading day for an expiring RPX Future falls on an Exchange holiday, the last trading day will be the day immediately preceding the last regularly scheduled trading day.
FINAL SETTLEMENT DATE:	The last business day of the contract expiration month. This business day is 63 days following the end of the 28-day calculation period for the expiring contract. If the Exchange is closed on the Final Settlement Date because of an Exchange holiday, the Final Settlement Date for the expiring contract will be the immediately preceding business day.
FINAL SETTLEMENT VALUE:	The Final Settlement Value for RPX futures shall be the RPX value for the 28-day calculation period covered by the expiring contract as calculated by RLI or CBOE.
	Exercise will result in delivery of cash on the business day following expiration. The Final Settlement Value will be rounded to the nearest \$0.01. If the Final Settlement Value is not available, the Final Settlement Value will be determined in accordance with the rules and bylaws of The Options Clearing Corporation.
DELIVERY:	Settlement of RPX Futures contracts will result in the delivery of a cash settlement amount on the business day immediately following the Final Settlement Date. The cash settlement amount on the Final Settlement Date shall be the final mark to market amount against the Final Settlement Price of the RPX Futures contract multiplied by \$10.00.
POSITION LIMITS:	RPX futures contracts are subject to position limits under Rule 412. A person may not own or control more than 50,000 contracts net long or net short in each RPX Futures combined.
	The foregoing position limits shall not apply to positions that are

	subject to a position limit exemption meeting the requirements of Commission Regulations and CFE Rules.	
MINIMUM REPORTABLE LEVEL:	25 or more contracts.	