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

**RE: Expansion of Nikkei 225 (Dollar) Futures Trading Hours
 Submitted pursuant to Sec. 5c(c)(1) of the CEA
 and Regulation Sec. 40.6(a).
 CME Submission No. 10-067**

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission of the expansion of Nikkei 225 (Dollar) Futures trading hours.

On Sunday, April 11th(trade date Monday, April 12th), electronic trading hours for the dollar-denominated Nikkei 225 futures will be expanded to give market participants worldwide nearly 24-hours access to the benchmark contract. Under the expanded hours, the contract will begin trading on Globex[®] on Sunday at 17:00—15:15 the next day Chicago Time, with trading Monday-Friday from 15:30 p.m.—15:15 the next day (closing at 15:15 Friday, with a daily maintenance shutdown between 16:30—17:00 CT). The table below illustrates the change:

		Nikkei 225 (Dollar) Futures	
		<i>Current Trading Hours (prior to April XX, 2010)</i>	<i>Expanded Trading Hours (as of April XX, 2010)</i>
CME Globex	Central Standard Time (through Mar 13)	MON-FRI: 02:00-15:15; reopens 15:30-16:30, closes 16:30	MON-FRI: 15:30-15:15 the next day; closes FRI at 15:15. Daily maintenance shutdown 16:30-17:00
	Central Daylight Savings (begins Mar 14)	MON-FRI: 03:00-15:15; reopens 15:30-16:30, closes 16:30-17:00; reopens 17:00-18:00 SUN: 17:00-18:00	
Open Outcry		MON-FRI: 8:00 - 15:15	No Change

The expanded trading hours were added as part of the licensing agreement extension between CME and Nihon Keizai Shimbun Inc. Open outcry trading hours, as well as trading hours for dollar-denominated Nikkei 225 options on futures and yen-denominated futures, will remain unchanged.

CME certifies that this action complies with the Commodity Exchange Act and regulations thereunder.

If you require any additional information regarding this action, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Lucy Wang, at 312-648-5478 or via e-mail at lucy.wang@cmegroup.com, or me at 312-648-5422. Please reference our CME Submission No. 10-067 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

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Regulatory Counsel

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