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By Electronic Mail

March 22, 2013

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

Re: NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-107 – Notice Announcing Amendments to the Settlement Procedures for Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products.

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

I am an Executive Vice President and the Chief Operating Officer of NYSE Liffe US LLC ("NYSE Liffe US" or the "Exchange"). Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "Act"), and U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission") Regulations (the "Regulations") Section 40.6(a), I enclose a Cover Sheet for NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-107 and NYSE Liffe US Notice 9/2013 which announces amendments to the settlement procedures for Futures on the: 1) US Treasury DTCC GCF Repo Index®; 2) U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities DTCC GCF Repo Index®; and 3) US Agency DTCC GCF Repo Index® (collectively, "Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products" or "GCF Futures"), as set forth in NYSE Liffe US Rules 13004, 13104 and 13204, effective with the expiration of the May 2013 GCF Futures on May 31, 2013.

NYSE Liffe US herby certifies that (i) the settlement procedures as amended comply with the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder and (ii) a notice and a copy of this submission is being concurrently posted on NYSE Liffe US's web site. Additionally, a concise explanation and analysis of amendments to the settlement procedures and their compliance with applicable provisions of the Act, including the Act's Core Principles and the Regulations, is attached. No substantive opposing views were received from members or others with respect to the amendments to the settlement procedures.

If you have any questions, please call me at (212) 656-4307.

Respectfully.

Designated Contract Market Core Principles Implicated by NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-107

CORE PRINCIPLE	ANALYSIS
CORE PRINCIPLE Core Principle 2: Compliance with Rules	Trading in Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products has been offered for trading since July 2012 and will continue to be subject to Chapters 130, 131 and 132 of the Exchange rulebook as well as all other rules of the Exchange including Chapter 3, governing access to the Exchange's Trading Platform, Chapter 6 governing the business conduct of Exchange members and that prohibits, among other things, fraudulent acts, fictitious and pre-arranged trades, market manipulation and acts inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade. The Exchange monitors its markets on a constant basis in real-time. In addition, through the operation of a regulatory services agreement, the National Futures Association provides to the Exchange comprehensive trade practice and market surveillance services designed to detect activities that are not in compliance with the Act, CFTC Rules, or Exchange rules and
	policies. Further, the Exchange has the authority, through Chapter 7 of its rules, and the capacity to investigate any possible rule violations and, where appropriate, bring disciplinary actions and impose sanctions for any violations. Finally, the Exchange has the authority to carry out international information sharing agreements and has entered into the Intermarket Surveillance Group Agreement (the "ISG Agreement"), the International Information Sharing Memorandum of understanding and Agreement, an Information Sharing Agreement Between the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation and NYSE Liffe US LLC dated June 28, 2013 (the "NYLUS-FICC Agreement"), and other agreements and accords.

CORE PRINCIPLE	ANALYSIS
Core Principle 3:	Amendments to the settlement procedures should not result in
Contracts not Readily	the contracts being readily subject to manipulation. Futures on
Subject to Manipulation	DTCC GCF Repo Index [®] Products are based on deep and liquid underlying cash markets. In addition, the Exchange requires any position over the reporting level to be reported to the Exchange, and the Exchange monitors such position.
	Furthermore, reasonable and appropriate position accountability levels have been established that give the Exchange the authority to order a reduction in position size if necessary.
	In addition, through the NYLUS-FICC Agreement, as well as the ISG Agreement, and specifically, FINRA, another party to the ISG Agreement, the Exchange has access to repo market activity of market participants in GCF Repo Index Futures to monitor for manipulative activity.
Core Principle 4:	Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products will continue to
Prevention of Market	be subject to trade practice and market surveillance policies
Disruption	and procedures of the Exchange. As stated above, the
	Exchange has real-time surveillance capabilities involving both
	human interaction as well as technological tools. Furthermore,
	the Exchange staff, in coordination with National Futures
	Association, has the capacity to detect and respond to
	manipulation and price distortions in the markets. Specifically,
	the Exchange employs anti-price cascading functionality that
	tends to prevent price cascades from occurring. Additionally,
	the Exchange monitors the trading activities of large position
	holders, particularly during market close. Finally, the
	Exchange has the ability to provide accurate and complete trade reconstruction.
Core Principle 5:	Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index [®] Products will continue to
Position Accountability	be subject to position accountability levels as set forth in to Chapters 130, 131 and 132 of the Exchange rulebook.
Core Principle 6: Emergency Authority	Trading in Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products remains subject to Exchange Rule 425. Exchange Rule 425 provides that if the President, or any individual designated by the President and approved by the Board, determines that an
	Emergency exists, the President or such designee, as the case may be, may take or place into immediate effect a temporary emergency action or Rule, which may remain in effect for up
	to 30 Business Days, after which time it must be approved by the Board to remain in effect. Any such action or Rule may provide for, or may authorize the Exchange, the Board or any
	committee thereof to undertake actions necessary or appropriate to respond to the Emergency, including ordering
	the liquidation or transfer of Contracts, requiring Clearing Members, Members, Customers or Noncustomers to meet special margin requirements; or modifying or suspending any
	provision of the Rules of the Exchange or the Rules of the Clearing Service Provider.

CORE PRINCIPLE	ANALYSIS	
Core Principle 7:	The Exchange will continue to publish, maintain and keep	
Availability of General	current on its web site the terms and conditions of Futures on	
Information	DTCC GCF Repo Index [®] Products, including the amended	
	settlement procedures, as well as all rules and mechanisms	
	necessary for executing transactions on or through the	
	Exchange's trading platform and all rules and specifications	
	describing the operation of the Exchange's trade execution	
	facility.	
Core Principle 8:	The Exchange will continue to publish daily on its web site	
Daily Publication of	information regarding the trading volume, open interest and	
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Trading Information	price information regarding Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products.	
Core Principle 9:	Amendments to the settlement procedures for Futures on	
Execution of Transactions	DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products should not have any	
	impact on trading on the centralized market. The Exchange	
	will monitor trading in the centralized market and, in the event	
	the Exchange identifies any deleterious effect to the centralized	
	market, it will take appropriate action.	
Core Principle 10:	The Exchange will continue to record and maintain an audit	
Trade Information	trail with all trade information regarding Futures on DTCC	
5	GCF Repo Index [®] Products necessary to monitor for customer	
	and market abuse.	
Core Principle 11:	The Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products will	
Financial Integrity of	continue to be cleared through New York Portfolio Clearing	
Transactions	("NYPC"), which is registered with the Commission as a	
	Derivatives Clearing Organization. In addition, in compliance	
	with Section 38.604 of the Commission's Regulations, the	
	Exchange has in place a surveillance program to continually	
	survey the obligations of each futures commission merchant	
	based on information supplied by NYPC pursuant to a	
	Regulatory Services Agreement entered into between NYPC	
	and the Exchange dated October 16, 2012.	
Core Principle 12:	Trading in Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index® Products will	
Protection of Markets and	continue to be subject to Chapter 6 of the Exchange's rulebook	
	governs the business conduct of Exchange members and all	
Market Participants	•	
	other persons initiating or executing transactions subject to the	
	Rules of the Exchange. The Exchange Rules prohibit, among	
	other things, fraudulent acts, fictitious and pre-arranged trades	
	(i.e., those that are not expressly permitted) and other activities	
	that could disadvantage their customers, as well as acts	
	detrimental to the Exchange and inconsistent with just and	
	equitable principles of trade. The Exchange shall monitor for	
	and investigate any possible rule violations and where	
	appropriate bring disciplinary actions and impose sanctions for	
	any violations in respect to trading in GCF Futures.	
Core Principle 13:	Chapter 7 of the Exchange's rulebook provides for disciplinary	
Disciplinary Procedures	procedures by which the Exchange may impose sanctions for	
	any violations of the Exchange's rules, including any violations	
	related to trading in GCF Futures.	

CORE PRINCIPLE	ANALYSIS
Core Principle 18:	Data with regard to Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index®
Recordkeeping	Products, as is all trade data, will continue to be retained by the
	Exchange in secured storage for a period of at least five years
	and be readily accessible and open to review by the CFTC
	during such time. Additionally, the Exchange has in place
	business continuity and disaster recovery policies and
	procedures that provide for back-up and off-site storage of
	Exchange records.



NYSE LIFFE U.S. NOTICE No. 9/2013

ISSUE DATE: EFFECTIVE DATE: March 22, 2013 May 31, 2013

NYSE Liffe U.S. – Amendment of Final Settlement Procedures for Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index[®] Products

Summary

This Notice announces that beginning with the expiration on May 31, 2013 of the May 2013 NYSE Liffe U.S.'s Futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index[®] Products the final settlement procedures will be amended as detailed in this Notice. In addition, attached to this Notice are the revised Rules 13004, 13104 and 13204.

1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 NYSE Liffe U.S. rules currently provide that the final settlement value for futures on DTCC GCF Repo Index[®] Products ("GCF Futures") is rounded to <u>three</u> decimal places, equal to the nearest one-tenth of one basis point.
- 1.2 After receiving requests and conducting additional discussions with market participants, NYSE Liffe U.S. has determined to change the final settlement value rounding for GCF Futures to <u>four</u> decimal places.

2. Amended Settlement Procedures

- 2.1 Beginning with the May 2013 expiration month, the final settlement value for GCF Futures will be rounded to the four decimal places, equal to the nearest one-one hundredth of one basis point.
- 2.2 Rounding the final settlement to four as opposed to three decimal places should result in more precise pricing and make the final settlement consistent with the final settlement of other short-term interest rate futures contracts.

Members who have questions or seek additional information in respect of this Notice should contact:

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Attachment to NYSE Liffe US Notice 9/2013 NYSE Liffe US Rulebook Amendments Regarding Settlement Procedures in GCF Futures (Deletions are shown in strikethrough and additions are shown in underline.)

Chapter 130

Futures on the US Treasury DTCC GCF Repo IndexTM®

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13004. Settlement Procedures

Delivery shall be by cash settlement through the Clearing Service Provider following normal variation margin procedures. The final settlement price will be calculated on the Business Day that the US Treasury GCF Repo Index is calculated on the Last Day of Trading. The final settlement price shall be 100 minus the average US Treasury GCF Repo Index rate for the Delivery Month as set forth in $\frac{12102(a)13002(a)}{12002(a)}$, rounded to the nearest onetenth (⁺_{/40}) one-one hundredth (¹_{/100}) of one basis point.

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Chapter 131

Futures on the US Mortgage-Backed Securities DTCC GCF Repo IndexTM®

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13104. Settlement Procedures

Delivery shall be by cash settlement through the Clearing Service Provider following normal variation margin procedures. The final settlement price will be calculated on the Business Day that the US Mortgage-Backed Securities GCF Repo Index is calculated on the Last Day of Trading. The final settlement price shall be 100 minus the average US Mortgage-Backed Securities GCF Repo Index rate for the Delivery Month as set forth in 13102(a), rounded to the nearest one-tenth (${}^{1}_{/40}$) one-one hundredth (${}^{1}_{/100}$) of one basis point.

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Chapter 132

Futures on the US Agency DTCC GCF Repo IndexTM®

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13204. Settlement Procedures

Delivery shall be by cash settlement through the Clearing Service Provider following normal variation margin procedures. The final settlement price will be calculated on the Business Day that the US Agency GCF Repo Index is calculated on the Last Day of Trading. The final settlement price shall be 100 minus the average US Agency GCF Repo Index rate for the Delivery Month as set forth in 13202(a), rounded to the nearest one-tenth $\binom{1}{1+0}$ one-one hundredth $\binom{1}{100}$ of one basis point.

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