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Mr. David Stawick
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
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RE: Section 5c(c)(1) and Regulation Section 40.6. Certification of Amendments to Weather Measurement Times for CME Degree Days Index Futures Rule 40301, CME Seasonal Strip Degree Days Index Futures Rule 40501, CME Weekly Average Temperature Index Futures Rule 42401, CME Snowfall Index Futures Rule 41801, CME Seasonal Strip Snowfall Index Futures Rule 40201, CME Rainfall Index Futures Rule 44101, and CME Seasonal Strip Rainfall Index Futures Rule 44201. CME Submission No. 11-210.

Dear Mr. Stawick:

In a recent review of the CME weather contracts, it was discovered that the measurement times listed in the rules for the US-based contracts are slightly different from those actually used by the National Weather Service. Specifically, the rules currently state that daily measurements are taken "...between 12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M. midnight" when in fact the National Weather Service uses the period between midnight and 11:59 P.M. This one-minute discrepancy dates back the listing of the first CME weather contracts in 1999. Since then it has been copied verbatim into the rules for all subsequent US-based contracts, and now appears in seven different rulebook chapters.

Notice that the proposed amendments to correct these discrepancies do not affect the pricing or other contract performance, and simply bring CME rules into compliance with longstanding National Weather Service practices. The Exchange intends to apply these amendments to existing as well as newly listed contracts effective at the start of business on Tuesday, May 31, 2011, and will notify market participants of these amendments.

Rule amendments are presented below, with additions underlined and deletions bracketed and overstruck.

The Exchange certifies that this action complies with the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Paul Peterson at (312) 930-4587 or via e-mail at paul.peterson@cmegroup.com, or Charles Piszczor at (312) 930-4587 or via e-mail at charles.piszczor@cmegroup.com. Alternatively, you may contact me at (212) 299-2207. Please refer to CME Submission No. 11-210 in all correspondence regarding this matter.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Felix Khalatnikov
Director and Associate General Counsel

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Chapter 403
CME Degree Days Index Futures

40301. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

1. Heating Degree Days and Cooling Degree Days

The daily average temperature is defined as the arithmetic average of the maximum and minimum temperature recorded between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M., as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 40301 unchanged)

Chapter 405
CME Seasonal Strip Degree Days Index Futures

40501. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

1. Heating Degree Days and Cooling Degree Days

The daily average temperature is defined as the arithmetic average of the maximum and minimum temperature recorded between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M., as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 40501 unchanged)

Chapter 424
CME Weekly Average Temperature Index Futures

42401. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS¹

The daily average temperature is defined as the arithmetic average of the maximum temperature (Tmax) and minimum temperature (Tmin) recorded between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M., as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 42401 unchanged)

Chapter 418
CME Snowfall Index Futures

41801. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Daily snowfall is defined as the total snowfall recorded at a particular location between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M., as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 41801 unchanged)

Chapter 402
CME Seasonal Strip Snowfall Index Futures

40201. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Daily snowfall is defined as the total snowfall recorded at a particular location between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M. as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 40201 unchanged)

Chapter 441
CME Rainfall Index Futures

44101. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Daily rainfall is defined as the total rainfall recorded at a particular location between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M. as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 44101 unchanged)

Chapter 442
CME Seasonal Strip Rainfall Index Futures

44201. COMMODITY SPECIFICATIONS

Daily rainfall is defined as the total rainfall recorded at a particular location between [~~12:01 A.M. and 12:00 A.M.~~] midnight and 11:59 P.M. as reported by MDA Information Systems, Inc.

(remainder of Rule 44201 unchanged)