

May 30, 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-2013-26

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 CFE rule amendment ("Amendment") relating to the requirements applicable to foreign CFE Trading Privilege Holders ("TPHs"). The Amendment will become effective on June 17, 2013.

CFE Rule 305B (Foreign Trading Privilege Holders) provides that each TPH shall be organized under the laws of, and be solely responsible for ensuring that the location of any CBOE Workstation¹ is in, the United States or a foreign jurisdiction expressly approved by the Exchange. Rule 305B also sets forth certain requirements that are applicable to any TPH organized under the laws of, or with a CBOE Workstation in, a foreign jurisdiction. CFE is amending Rule 305B to add two additional requirements that will be applicable to these foreign TPHs. First, a foreign TPH will be required to maintain in English and U.S. dollars any books and records required to be kept by the TPH under the Rules of the Exchange. Second, a foreign TPH, prior to acting as agent for a Customer from a foreign jurisdiction in relation to a CFE Contract, will be required to obtain written consent from that Customer that permits the TPH to provide information regarding the Customer and the Customer's activities in CFE Contracts to the Exchange in response to a regulatory request for information pursuant to the Rules of the Exchange.

¹ CFE Rule 116 provides that the term "CBOE Workstation" means any computer connected directly to the CBOE System, including by means of an Exchange application programming interface, for the purpose of trading Contracts. CFE Rule 115 provides that the term "CBOE System" means (i) the electronic systems administered by or on behalf of the Exchange which perform the functions set out in the Rules of the Exchange, including controlling, monitoring, and recording trading on the Exchange and (ii) any connectivity to the foregoing electronic systems that is administered by or on behalf of the Exchange, such as a communications hub in a foreign jurisdiction.

CFE believes that the Amendment is consistent with Designated Contract Market ("DCM") Core Principle 2 (Compliance with Rules) under Section 5 of the Act in it will assist CFE in enforcing compliance with its Rules, including in connection with CFE regulatory examinations and investigations involving foreign TPHs and in connection with obtaining information for regulatory purposes regarding the trading activities in CFE contracts of foreign Customers that trade through those TPHs.

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 Amendment, marked to show additions in <u>underlined</u> text and deletions in [bracketed] text, consists of the following:

CBOE Futures Exchange, LLC Rules

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Rule 305B. Foreign Trading Privilege Holders

- (a) Each Trading Privilege Holder shall be organized under the laws of, and be solely responsible for ensuring that the location of any CBOE Workstation is in, the United States or a foreign jurisdiction expressly approved by the Exchange. Any approval by the Exchange of a foreign jurisdiction may (i) be limited to one or more specified categories of Trading Privilege Holders or Trading Privilege Holder activities and/or (ii) be contingent upon the satisfaction of specified conditions by any Trading Privilege Holder organized under the laws of, or with a CBOE Workstation in, the foreign jurisdiction.[.]
- (b) Any Trading Privilege Holder organized under the laws of, or with a CBOE Workstation in, a foreign jurisdiction shall:
- (i) ensure the availability of an individual fluent in English and knowledgeable about the Trading Privilege Holder's futures business and financial matters to assist the representatives of the Exchange during examinations; [and]
- (ii) maintain in English and U.S. dollars any books and records required to be kept by the Trading Privilege Holder under the Rules of the Exchange;
- (iii) prior to acting as agent for a Customer from a foreign jurisdiction in relation to an Exchange Contract, obtain written consent from that Customer that permits the Trading Privilege Holder to provide information regarding the Customer and the Customer's activities in Exchange Contracts to the Exchange in response to a regulatory request for information pursuant to the Rules of the Exchange; and
- ([i]i \underline{v}) be subject to the jurisdiction of the federal courts of the United States and the courts of Illinois.

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-2013-26 in any related correspondence.

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