



**KANSAS CITY
BOARD OF TRADE**

June 7, 2012

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Mr. David Stawick
Secretary of the Commission
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: Submission Pursuant to CFTC Regulation Section 40.6(a)

Dear Mr. Stawick:

- I. **Certification.** The Kansas City Board of Trade ("KCBT") hereby gives notification to the Commission pursuant to Commission Regulation Section 40.6(a), of its intention to amend Rules 2001.00, 2505.00 and 2514.00 pertaining to wheat futures and options open outcry trading hours. This certification in no way modifies our submission dated May 24, 2012. The KCBT Board of Directors, in a special meeting held on June 7, 2012 and acting pursuant to authority granted them under Rule 233.01(f), 2003.00 and 2501.00, unanimously approved the aforementioned amendments. KCBT certifies to the Commission that to the best of its knowledge, the amendments to Rules 2001.00, 2505.00 and 2514.00 are in compliance with the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder.
- II. **Date of Implementation.** KCBT intends to make amended Rules 2001.00, 2505.00 and 2514.00 effective Monday, June 25, 2012.
- III. **Substantive Opposing Views.** To the knowledge of the Board of Directors and staff, no substantive opposing views were expressed by members or others regarding amended Rules 2001.00, 2505.00 and 2514.00.

IV. **Text of Amended Rules.** The text of amended Rules 2001.00, 2505.00 and 2514.00 are as follows, with additions underlined and deletions lined out:

2001.00 Time of Trading. The hours for futures trading shall be between 9:30 a.m. and ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m. local time on all regular trading days; provided however, on trading days that USDA releases monthly World Agricultural Supply & Demand Estimates ("WASDE") or quarterly Grain Stocks reports, trading hours shall be between 7:20 a.m. and ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m.

2505.00 Option Trading Hours. The trading hours are 9:30 a.m. to ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m. local time; provided however, on trading days that USDA releases monthly World Agricultural Supply & Demand Estimates ("WASDE") or quarterly Grain Stocks reports, trading hours shall be between 7:20 a.m. and ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m. The trading hours may be varied by the Board of Directors.

2514.00 Last Day of Trading and Expiration.

- a. For options months in the ordinary cycle; no trades in options expiring in the current month shall be made after ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m. on the last Friday which precedes by at least 2 business days, the first notice day for the corresponding futures contract.
- b. For serial options months (months outside the ordinary cycle); no trades shall be made after ~~2:00~~4:15 p.m. on the Friday which precedes by at least 2 business days, the last business day of the calendar month immediately preceding the option serial month, (for example, for November serial options contracts, the last trading day is the Friday which precedes by at least 2 business days, the last business day in October). If such Friday is not a business day, the last day of trading shall be the business day prior to such Friday. The option shall expire at 10:00 a.m. on the first Saturday following the option's last day of trading.

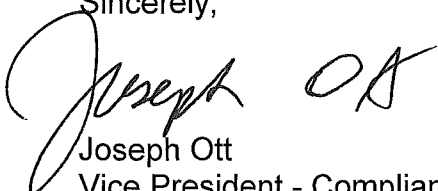
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- V. **Rationale for Action Taken.** Market participants have expressed the desire to have identical closing times for electronic and open outcry venues. Wheat option floor traders have expressed concern about electronically traded options being able to trade until 2:00 p.m. on the last trading day whereas options traded by open outcry are only able to trade until 1:15 p.m. We believe the 2:00 p.m. close for open outcry will alleviate this concern. The recently implemented extended wheat futures and options contracts electronic trading hours afford this venue the opportunity to trade from 1:15 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. In order for the open outcry venue to be afforded the same opportunity to trade during these extended hours, it is necessary to amend the closing times. The amended rules are in compliance with applicable provisions of the Act, including core principles and the Commission's regulations thereunder.
- VI. **Closing.** Any questions regarding this submission should be directed to the undersigned at 816-753-7500 or jott@kcbt.com.

KCBT certifies that it has posted a notice of pending certification with the Commission and a copy of the submission, concurrent with the filing of the submission with the Commission on our website, thereby providing public notice.

The link to the posting is [http://www.kcbt.com/histdata/rule book/rule book kcbt proposed rules.html](http://www.kcbt.com/histdata/rule%20book/rule%20book%20kcbt%20proposed%20rules.html)

Sincerely,


Joseph Ott
Vice President - Compliance