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VIA E-MAIL

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

**RE: Renewable Identification Number (RIN) Incentive Program
NYMEX Submission No. 13-353**

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or the "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") that it plans to implement an incentive program in support of Renewable Identification Number ("RIN") futures traded on Globex, the NYMEX trading floor, and submitted for clearing through CME ClearPort ("Program"). The proposed Program will become effective on September 11, 2013.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program.

NYMEX business staff responsible for the proposed Program and the NYMEX legal department collectively reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, NYMEX staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted; Prevention of Market Disruption, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules and Recordkeeping.

The Program's incentive structure as set forth in the Exhibit 1 below is such that it does not incentivize manipulative trading or market abuse and will not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. NYMEX's market regulation staff will monitor trading in the Program's products for the purpose of detecting and preventing manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' satisfaction of eligibility criteria to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. The products included in this Program are listed for trading in the open and competitive market. Participants who might meet the criteria for this Program generally perform complex trading strategies that include both on-exchange and off-exchange activities. The set of incentives encompassed by the Program have been developed to increase volume across all NYMEX venues through additional execution of these strategies, ultimately having a positive impact on the price discovery process taking place in the centralized market as the Program is designed to increase liquidity on that venue. Chapter 4 of the Exchange rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. Participants in the Program will be required to execute a contractual agreement expressly agreeing to abide by Exchange rules and applicable regulations. The Program will be subject to the Exchange's record retention policies, which comply with the CEA.

NYMEX certifies that the Program complies with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the CME Group website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please contact Tim Elliott at 312-466-7478 or via e-mail at tim.elliott@cmegroup.com, or contact me at 212-299-2200. Please reference our NYMEX Submission No. 13-353 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director, Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

Renewable Identification Number (RIN) Incentive Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incentivize market participants to provide liquidity in NYMEX's Renewable Identification Number (RINs) futures contracts on Globex, the NYMEX trading floor, and submitted for clearing through CME ClearPort. A more liquid contract benefits all participants in the market.

Product Scope

The following RINs futures contracts currently listed or to be listed at a later date for trading on Globex, the NYMEX trading floor, and submitted for clearing through CME ClearPort ("Products"):

Ethanol Group

Commodity Code	Product	F/O
D62	D6 Ethanol RINS (Argus) 2012 Futures	Futures
D63	D6 Ethanol RINS (Argus) 2013 Futures	Futures
D64	D6 Ethanol RINS (Argus) 2014 Futures	Futures

Advanced Biofuel Group

Commodity Code	Product	F/O
D52	D5 Advanced Biofuel RINS (Argus) 2012 Futures	Futures
D53	D5 Advanced Biofuel RINS (Argus) 2013 Futures	Futures
D54	D5 Advanced Biofuel RINS (Argus) 2014 Futures	Futures

Biodiesel Group

Commodity Code	Product	F/O
D42	D4 Biodiesel RINS (Argus) 2012 Futures	Futures
D43	D4 Biodiesel RINS (Argus) 2013 Futures	Futures
D44	D4 Biodiesel RINS (Argus) 2014 Futures	Futures

Eligible Participants

Up to three (3) participants may be selected into the Program. Participants may be NYMEX members or non-members. In order to be considered for the Program, potential participants must have, over a recent time period, reached a minimum monthly volume level in the Products. Notwithstanding the foregoing, NYMEX may modify the aforementioned criteria as it deems necessary.

Program Term

Start date is September 11, 2013. End date is September 30, 2014.

Hours

N/A

Program Incentives

Each calendar month, participants that meet certain average daily volume levels in the Products or maintain a designated percentage of total volume in the Products will be eligible to receive predetermined incentives.

Monitoring and Termination of Status

CME Group staff shall monitor trading activity retain the right to revoke Program participant status if it concludes from review that a Program participant no longer meets the eligibility requirements of the Program.