

November 30, 2012

**VIA E-MAIL**

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

**RE: Rule 40.6(a) Certification. Notification of Amendment to the Last Trading Day for a Crude Oil Futures Contract. NYMEX Submission 12-429**

Dear Ms. Warfield:

The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying an amendment to the last trading day for the LLS (Argus) financial futures contract (chapter 838, commodity code XA) currently listed for trading on the NYMEX trading floor and for submission for clearing through CME ClearPort. The last trading day for the LLS (Argus) financial futures contract shall be amended from one business day prior to the last business day that falls on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> calendar day of the contract month to the last business day of the contract month, pursuant to Rule 838.06 ("Termination of Trading") in Appendix A. There is existing open interest of 264 contracts, and all open interest holders have consented to the amendment. There is no impact on contract value. The amendment shall become effective Sunday, December 16, 2012 for trade date Monday, December 17, 2012.

The amendments are reflected in Exhibit 1, with additions underscoring and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

NYMEX business staff responsible for the rule amendment and the Exchange legal department collectively reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act" or "CEA"). During the review, Exchange staff identified that the listing rule amendments may have some bearing on the following Core Principle:

- Daily Publication of Trading Information: NYMEX will continue to comply with this Core Principle by making public daily information on settlement prices, volume, open interest, and opening and closing ranges for the futures contract listed above.
- Availability of General Information: Pursuant to the Exchange's obligations under this core principle, the Exchange published the amendment to the last trading day to the marketplace via Special Executive Report 6478, dated November 30, 2012.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6 (a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the listing rule amendment complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

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

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (312) 930-8167 or [Sean.Downey@cmegroup.com](mailto:Sean.Downey@cmegroup.com).

Sincerely,

/s/Sean M. Downey  
Director & Assistant General Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## Chapter 838

### LLS (Argus) Financial Futures

(underline indicates addition; strikethrough indicates deletion)

#### 838.06. TERMINATION OF TRADING

Trading shall cease ~~one business day prior to~~ on the last business day ~~that falls~~  
~~on or before the 25th calendar day~~ of the contract month.