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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: Modifications to CME Standard-Sized and E-Micro Indian Rupee/U.S. Dollar Futures Market Maker Incentive Program CME Submission No. 13-459

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it plans to modify the CME Standard-Sized and E-Micro Indian Rupee/U.S. Dollar ("INR/USD") Futures Market Maker Incentive Program ("Program"). The proposed modifications to the Program will become effective on January 2, 2014.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program. The modifications appear below, with additions <u>underscored</u> and deletions <del>overstruck</del>.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CME 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 and proposed modifications to the program will not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA. Exchange staff will monitor trading in the Program's products in order to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' volume to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The Program does not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by CME staff using criteria as set forth in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the Exchange rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with CME in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with, and be subject to, applicable regulations and Exchange rules. Additionally, the Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies, which comply fully with the CEA.

CME certifies that the Program and proposed modifications comply with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program or Program modifications.

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

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please contact Tim Elliott at 312-466-7478 or via e-mail at <u>tim.elliott@cmegroup.com</u>, or contact me at 212-299-2200. Please reference our CME Submission No. 13-459 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher K. Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Enclosure: Exhibit 1

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# EXHIBIT 1

# CME Standard-Sized and E-Micro INR/USD Market Maker Incentive Program

# Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incentivize participants to increase liquidity in the products listed below. A more liquid contract on the central limit order book benefits all participants in the marketplace.

# Product Scope

Standard-sized and E-micro INR/USD Futures on Globex® ("Products").

# **Eligible Participants**

CME may designate up to ten (10) participants in the Program. Participants may be CME members or non-members. Market makers participating in the Program may not qualify for additional CME incentive programs that include the Products. When selecting potential participants, CME may take into account potential participants' historical activity in Foreign Exchange products as well as ability to meet the quoting obligations of the Program. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CME may add or subtract from the aforementioned factors as it deems necessary.

# Program Term

Start date is January 28, 2013. End date is December 31, 2013 December 31, 2014.

#### <u>Hours</u>

Designated hours during RTH and/or ETH ("Hours").

#### **Obligations**

*Minimum Quoting Obligations*. Each calendar month, participants must quote continuous two-sided markets in designated contract months of the Products at maximum bid/offer spreads and minimum quote sizes.

#### **Incentives**

Upon satisfying all Program obligations as determined by the Exchange, each Program participant shall be eligible for predetermined incentives.

#### Monitoring and Termination of Status

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke Program participant status if it concludes from review that a Program participant has failed to meet its obligations or no longer meets the eligibility requirements of the Program.