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By Electronic Mail

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Ms. Melissa Jurgens
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
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Washington, D.C. 20581

**Re:** NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-133 – Notice Announcing the Extension

of the Designated Market Maker Program for mini MSCI Emerging Markets, mini MSCI EAFE, mini MSCI Pan-Euro, mini MSCI World, mini MSCI Emerging Markets Latin America, mini MSCI Canada, and

mini MSCI USA Index Futures

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

I am a Senior Vice-President of NYSE Liffe US LLC ("NYSE Liffe US" or the "Exchange"). Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (the "Act"), and U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission") Regulations (the "Regulations") Section 40.6(a), I enclose a Cover Sheet for NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-133 and NYSE Liffe US Notice 36/2013 which announces that the Exchange is extending its Designated Market Maker Program ("DMM") for mini MSCI Emerging Markets, mini MSCI EAFE, mini MSCI Pan-Euro, mini MSCI World, mini MSCI Emerging Markets Latin America, mini MSCI Canada, and mini MSCI USA Index Futures (collectively, "mini MSCIs") from January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014, as set forth in the Notice.

NYSE Liffe US hereby certifies that: (i) the DMM program for mini MSCIs complies with the Act and the Regulations and (ii) a notice and copy of this submission is being concurrently posted on the Exchange's web site. Additionally, a concise explanation and analysis of the DMM program in mini MSCIs and its compliance with applicable provisions of the Act, including core principles and the Regulations, is attached. No substantive opposing views were received from members or others with respect to the DMM program for mini MSCIs.

If you have any questions, please call me at (212) 323-8866.

Yours Truly,

Marco Bianchi Enclosures

# Designated Contract Market Core Principles Implicated by NYSE Liffe US Submission 2013-133

CORE PRINCIPLE	ANALYSIS
Core Principle 2:	As with all Exchange members and participants, all
Compliance with Rules	participants in the FIP are subject to all existing rules of the
	Exchange including Chapter 3, governing access to the
	Exchange's Trading Platform, Chapter 6 governing the
	business conduct of Exchange members and prohibiting,
	among other things, fraudulent acts, fictitious and pre-arranged
	trades, market manipulation, disruptive trading practices and
	acts inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.
	The Exchange monitors its markets on a constant basis in real-
	time. In addition, through the operation of a regulatory
	services agreement, the National Futures Association provides
	to the Exchange comprehensive trade practice and market
	surveillance services designed to detect activities that are not in
	compliance with the Act, the Regulations, or Exchange rules
	and policies. Additionally, the Exchange has the authority,
	through Chapter 7 of the Exchange's rulebook, and the
	capacity to investigate any possible rule violations and, where
	appropriate, bring disciplinary actions and impose sanctions for
	any violations. Finally, the Exchange has in place effective
	international information sharing arrangements and has entered
	into accords such as the International Information Sharing
	Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding and the
	Intermarket Surveillance Group Agreement.
Core Principle 3:	The DMM program for mini MSCIs does not incentivize
Contracts not Readily	manipulative or other abusive practices. In the Exchange's
Subject to Manipulation	experience, programs of this type, including the current DMM
	program in mini MSCIs, have not promoted abusive practices
	by participants. Further, the Exchange has policies and
	procedures to monitor the participants and trading to detect and prevent manipulative or abusive trading and practices.
Core Principle 4:	Trading by participants in the DMM program for mini MSCIs,
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Prevention of Market Disruption	like all trading on the Exchange, will continue to be subject to the existing trade practice and market surveillance policies and
Disruption	procedures of the Exchange. The Exchange has real-time
	surveillance capabilities involving both human interaction as
	well as technological tools. Furthermore, the Exchange staff,
	in coordination with National Futures Association, has the
	capacity to detect and respond to manipulation and price
	distortions in its market and the ability to provide accurate and
	complete trade reconstruction.
Core Principle 5:	Participants in the DMM program for mini MSCIs will
Position Limits or	continue to be subject to all applicable position limits.
Accountability	continue to be subject to an applicable position initio.
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Core Principle 9:	Incentive programs are designed to enhance the market by
Execution of Transactions	providing liquidity. Furthermore, the Exchange will, as it has
	for the existing DMM program for mini MSCIs, and as it does
	for all such programs, monitor the impact, if any, that these
	programs have on trading on the centralized market and, in the
	event the Exchange identifies any deleterious effect to the
	centralized market, will take appropriate action.
Core Principle 10:	The Exchange records and maintains an audit trail with all
Trade Information	trade information regarding trading by all market participants,
	including the participants in the DMM program for mini
	MSCIs, necessary to monitor for customer and market abuse.
Core Principle 12:	Participants in the DMM program for mini MSCIs remain
Protection of Markets and	subject to all of the Exchange's rules. Chapter 6 of the
Market Participants	Exchange's rulebook governs the business conduct of
	Exchange members and prohibits, among other things,
	fraudulent acts, fictitious and pre-arranged trades and other
	activities that could disadvantage their customers, as well as
	disruptive trading practices and acts detrimental to the
	Exchange and inconsistent with just and equitable principles of
	trade. The Exchange monitors for and investigates any
	possible rule violations and where appropriate brings
	disciplinary actions and imposes sanctions for any violations by any participants in the DMM program for mini MSCIs.
Core Principle 13:	Chapter 7 of the Exchange's rulebook provides for disciplinary
Disciplinary Procedures	procedures by which the Exchange may impose sanctions for
Disciplinary Frocedures	any violations of the Exchange's rules, including any
	violations by participants in the DMM program for mini
	MSCIs.
Core Principle 18:	Data with regard to the DMM program for mini MSCIs shall
Recordkeeping	be retained by the Exchange in secured storage for a period of
	at least five years and be readily accessible and open to review
	by the CFTC. Additionally, the Exchange has in place
	business continuity and disaster recovery policies and
	procedures that provide for back-up and off-site storage of
	Exchange records.



## NYSE LIFFE U.S. NOTICE No. 36/2013

ISSUE DATE: December 13 2013 EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2014

## **Extension and Modification of the Futures Incentive Program**

#### **Summary**

This Notice announces the extension of the NYSE Liffe US Designated Market Maker ("DMM") program for mini MSCI Emerging Markets, mini MSCI EAFE, mini MSCI Pan-Euro, mini MSCI World, mini MSCI Emerging Markets Latin America, mini MSCI Canada, and mini MSCI USA Index Futures (collectively, "mini MSCIs") for the period of January 1, 2014 through close of business June 30, 2014.

## 1. Background

- 1.1 NYSE Liffe US Notice No. 20/2009, announced the appointment pursuant to NYSE Liffe US Rule 426 of MMs for an initial term for certain mini MSCI contracts along with corresponding details concerning the programs and participation.
- 1.2 NYSE Liffe US Notice Nos. 3/2010, 12/2010, 24/2011, 40/2011, 17/2012, and 42/2012 announced appointment of DMMs for new terms, ultimately extending the program through June 30, 2013.
- 1.3 NYSE Liffe US Notice No. 28/2012 announced the implementation of a Designated Market Maker Program ("DMM Program") in mini futures on MSCI Canada, USA, World, and Emerging Markets Latin America Indices, with the program expiring on June 30, 2013.
- 1.4 <u>NYSE Liffe US Notice No. 12/2013</u> announced the extension of the DMM programs in the mini MSCIs through December 31, 2013.

### 2. Extension of the Program

- 2.1 The Exchange has determined to extend, with no changes to its terms and conditions, the DMM program in the mini MSCIs for a new term, commencing January 1, 2014, and continuing through close of business June 30, 2014.
- 2.2 All DMM appointments remain subject to the terms of a contractual agreement between the Exchange and each DMM. Under the terms of the agreements, each DMM represents that its market making activity will comply with all applicable provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, the rules and regulations of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Rules of the Exchange. The Exchange will continue to monitor each DMM's performance of market making activity under the contract and may adjust benefits otherwise due under the agreement and/or terminate the agreement if it determines the MM has failed to perform its obligations as a DMM under the agreement.

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