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Melissa Jurgens
Secretary
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Center
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Washington, DC 20581

Re: TeraExchange, LLC – 14-22 – Commission Regulation 40.2(a) – Certification of Swaption Contracts

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

TeraExchange, LLC (“TeraExchange”) hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “Commission” or “CFTC”), pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.2(a), that is certifying swaption contracts (the “Swaption”) for trading on its swap execution facility.

The intended listing date of the Swaption is April 28, 2014. The terms and conditions for the Swaption are attached as Exhibit A. A concise explanation and analysis of the Swaption’s compliance with applicable provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act (the “CEA”), including the relevant core principles, and the Commission’s Regulations thereunder is attached as Exhibit B.

TeraExchange certifies that the Swaption complies with the CEA and the Commission Regulations thereunder. TeraExchange further certifies that concurrently with this filing it posted a copy of this submission on its website at www.teraexchange.com/RND.html.

Please contact the undersigned at (908) 273-8266 or at pwilson@teraexchange.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Exhibit A

Terms and Conditions

Interest Rate Swaption	
General	
Contract Structure	A contract that gives its owner the right, but not the obligation, to enter into an Interest Rate Swap at the agreed rate on a date in the future.
Clearing Venue Specifications	Bilateral
Currencies*	USD, EUR, JPY, GBP, DKK, ZAR, RUB, CHF, SEK, ILS, AUD, HKD, NZD, SGD, SAR, TRY, MXN
Quoting Convention	Premium expressed in basis points
Price Increment	0.1 basis points
Minimum Notional Size	1,000 notional units of the contract currency
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Strike Price	The price of the underlying Interest Rate Swap.
Types	Payer = owner has the right to pay the fixed leg Receiver = owner has the right to receive fixed leg
Trading Hours**	00:01 to 24:00 Eastern Time
Last Trade Date	Available to trade on every US business day.
Payment Date	The date upon which the premium amount is exchanged.
Expiry Date	The date upon which the swaption expires.
Settlement Procedure	As negotiated in the pre-existing bilateral agreement between the counterparties.
Position Accountability	As may be determined and published by TeraExchange under CFTC Regulation 37.600 (c)
Underlying	
Tenors	Up to 100 years
Start Date	The date upon which the underlying swap starts. Must be a valid business day per the holiday calendar schedule.
End Date	The date upon which the underlying swap ends. Must be a valid business day per the holiday calendar schedule.
Payment Frequency	As agreed upon by the counterparties.
Reference Rates*	EIBOR, BBSW, CDOR, LIBOR, PRIBOR, CIBOR, CIBOR2, HIBOR, BUBOR, TELBOR01, WIBOR, MOSPRIME, SAIBOR, TRILIBOR, NIBOR, STIBOR, JIBOR, SIBOR, MEXIBOR, CHILIBOR, EURIBOR, ISDAFIX
Reset Frequency	As agreed upon by the counterparties.
Roll Convention	Standard, IMM, EOM
Compounding	None, Flat
Day Count Convention*	30/360, Act/360, Act/365, 360/360, 30E/360, AFI/365, ACT/366, ACT/ACT
Holiday Calendars*	Abu Dhabi, Sydney, Toronto, Prague, Copenhagen, Hong Kong, Budapest, London, Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Tokyo, Wellington, Seoul, Bangkok, Target, Warsaw, Moscow, Riyadh, Singapore, Istanbul, New York, Oslo, Stockholm, Johannesburg, Kuala Lumpur
Business Day Convention	Modified, Modified Following

Exhibit B

This exhibit includes a concise explanation and analysis of the certified Swaption's compliance with applicable provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act (the "CEA"), including the relevant Core Principles, and the Commission's Regulations thereunder.

Core Principle 2 – Compliance with Rules

As with all products listed for trading on TeraExchange, trading in Swaptions will be subject to compliance with the CEA, CFTC Regulations and the TeraExchange Rulebook (the "Rules"). Chapter 5 of the Rules sets out in detail the trading practice and business conduct rules applicable to all Participants. In general, under Rule 517, Participants are prohibited from engaging in any conduct in violation of Applicable Law or the Rules. Under Rule 518, any violation of the Rules or act constituting fraud, dishonorable or dishonest conduct, or conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade is an offense. Fraudulent acts of any kind, including but not limited to front-running, money passes, trading ahead of or against customers, and accommodation trading, are all prohibited under Rule 519. Also included in Chapter 5 is a series of specific Rules intended to deter abusive and disruptive trading practices, including prohibitions on the following: fictitious, wash or non-competitive transactions (Rule 520); market disruption, including violating bids and offers, closing period violations, and spoofing (Rule 521); market manipulation (Rule 522); misstatements (Rule 523); acts detrimental to the SEF (Rule 524); misuse of the SEF (Rule 525); withholding of orders (Rule 526); trading against or crossing orders (Rule 527); and disclosing orders (Rule 528).

TeraExchange market regulation staff, working in partnership with the staff of the National Futures Association as regulatory services provider, will conduct surveillance and initiate disciplinary proceedings as necessary to enforce compliance with the Rules, the CEA and Commission Regulations.

Core Principle 3 – Swaps not Readily Susceptible to Manipulation

A swaption is an option granting its owner the right but not the obligation to enter into an interest rate swap. The value of the Swaption (the "Reference Price") is not readily susceptible to manipulation because it has the following characteristics: (i) it is derived from a cash market that has considerable depth and liquidity resulting from the involvement of numerous institutional participants; (ii) the way in which the Reference Price is calculated is well documented and well understood by the swap market participants; (iii) it is commonly used in the swaps market; (iv) information about the Reference Price is publicly and readily available; and (v) many active participants in the relevant cash market are entities that are subject to regulation.

Core Principle 7 – Financial Integrity of Transactions

All Swaps that are required to be cleared pursuant to Section 2(h) of the CEA or that are voluntarily cleared by the counterparties will be submitted for clearing through a DCO.

Core Principle 9 – Timely Publication of Trading Information

TeraExchange will submit timely reports regarding Swaptions to a registered swap data repository as prescribed in Parts 43 and 45 of the CFTC Regulations. TeraExchange will also record, report and publish on its website all data required by Part 16 of the CFTC's Regulations.