



Regulatory Circular RG05-119

DATE: November 22, 2005

FROM: Market Operations Department

RE: Restrictions on Transactions in
Royal Dutch Petroleum (RD)

On the Opening of business on November 22, 2005, the listing of Royal Dutch Petroleum (RD) was transferred from the NYSE to the Nasdaq Bulletin Board.

As of November 22, 2005 trading on CBOE in existing series of RD, (OWG, YXD) options will be subject to the following restrictions. Only closing transactions may be effected in any series of RD, (OWG, YXD)) options except for (i) opening transactions by market-makers executed to accommodate closing transactions of other market participants and (ii) opening transactions by CBOE member organizations to facilitate the closing transactions of public customers executed as crosses pursuant to and in accordance with CBOE Rule 6.74(b) or (d).

The execution of opening transactions in RD, (OWG, YXD)) options, except as permitted above, and/or the misrepresentation as to whether an order is opening or closing, will constitute a violation of CBOE rules, and may result in disciplinary action. Member organizations should ensure that they have appropriate procedures in place to prevent their customers from entering opening orders in this restricted option class.

There are no restrictions in place with respect to the exercise of RD, (OWG, YXD) options. The provisions of this circular apply to any options on Royal Dutch Petroleum Corporation traded on CBOE.

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