

## Regulatory Circular RG12-175

**DATE: December 18, 2012**

TO: Trading Permit Holders

FROM: Market Operations Department

RE: Restrictions on Transactions in Cereplast, Inc. (CERP)

Effective December 17, 2012, Cereplast, Inc. (CERP) was delisted from the NASDAQ Capital Market (NASDAQ). Trading in CERP will commence on the other-OTC market under the symbol CERP. The CERP option symbol will remain the same. No adjustment to CERP option contracts will be made to reflect this move from NASDAQ.

Trading on CBOE in existing series of CERP options will be subject to the following restrictions. Only closing transactions may be affected in any series of CERP options except for (i) opening transactions by Market-Makers executed to accommodate closing transactions of other market participants, and (ii) opening transactions by CBOE TPH 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 CERP 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. TPH organizations should ensure that they have appropriate procedures in place to prevent their customers from entering opening orders in this restricted option class. In addition, transactions in contravention of this restriction may be subject to nullification pursuant to CBOE Rule 6.25.

There are no restrictions in place with respect to the exercise of CERP options.

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