



April 4, 2011

Via Electronic Mail

Mr. David Stawick
Secretary
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: CBOE Futures Exchange, LLC Rule Certification
Submission Number CFE-2011-09

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended ("Act"), and §40.6(a) of the regulations promulgated by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the Act, CBOE Futures Exchange, LLC ("CFE" or "Exchange") hereby submits a CFE rule amendment (i) to revise the reporting windows for Exchange of Contract for Related Position transactions under CFE Rule 414 and for Block Trades under CFE Rule 415 and (ii) to make an accompanying clarifying change to the definition of CFE trading hours under CFE Rule 402 ("Amendment").

The Amendment will become effective on April 6, 2011.

CFE is not aware of any substantive opposing views to the Amendment. CFE hereby certifies that the Amendment complies with the Act and the regulations thereunder.

The Amendment, marked to show additions in underlined text and deletions in [bracketed] text, consists of the following:

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Rule 402. Trading Hours

(a) The Exchange shall from time to time determine (i) on which days the Exchange shall be regularly open for business in any Contract ("Business Days") and (ii) during which hours trading in any Contract may regularly be conducted on such days ("Trading Hours"). Trading Hours shall include any regular and extended trading hours under the rules governing the relevant Contract. Except to the extent expressly permitted by the Rules of the Exchange, no Trading Privilege Holder (including its Authorized Traders) shall make any bid or offer for, or engage in any transaction in, any Contract before or after such hours.

(b) No changes.

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Rule 414. Exchange of Contract for Related Position

(a) - (g) No changes.

(h) Each party to an Exchange of Contract for Related Position transaction is obligated to have an Authorized Reporter call the Help Desk after the transaction is [negotiated] agreed upon to notify the Exchange of the terms of the transaction. For this purpose, agreement to the transaction includes, without limitation, agreement to the actual price or premium of the Contract leg of the transaction. [This notification to the Help Desk shall occur without delay and in no event later than ten minutes after the transaction is negotiated if the transaction occurs during the Trading Hours for the Contract leg of the transaction, unless otherwise specified in the rules governing the relevant Contract. If the transaction occurs outside of the Trading Hours for the Contract leg of the transaction, this notification to the Help Desk must occur no later than ten minutes from the time that regular trading next commences on the Exchange.] Unless otherwise specified in the rules governing the relevant Contract,

(i) if the transaction is agreed upon between the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract and 3:15 p.m. Chicago time, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made without delay and by no later than ten minutes after the transaction is agreed upon (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that day pursuant to paragraph (j) below);

(ii) if the transaction is agreed upon between 3:15 p.m. Chicago time and 3:25 p.m. Chicago time, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made either

(A) on the day the transaction is agreed upon by no later than 3:25 p.m. Chicago time (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that day pursuant to paragraph (j) below) or

(B) on the following Business Day by no later than ten minutes from the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that Business Day pursuant to paragraph (j) below); and

(iii) if the transaction is agreed upon after 3:25 p.m. Chicago time and prior to the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract on the following Business Day, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made on that following Business Day by no later than ten minutes from the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that Business Day pursuant to paragraph (j) below).

(i) The notification to the Help Desk of an Exchange of Contract for Related Position transaction shall include (i) the identity, contract month, price or premium, quantity, and time of execution of the relevant Contract leg (i.e., the time the parties agreed to the Exchange of Contract for Related Position transaction), (ii) the counterparty Clearing Member, (iii) the identity, quantity and price of the Related Position, and (iv) any other information required by the Exchange.

(j) The Help Desk will report the Contract leg of the transaction to the CBOE System and provide a written transaction summary to the Authorized Reporters that reported the transaction to the Help Desk on behalf of each party to the transaction. The transaction summary will include

the transaction information reported to the Help Desk by the Authorized Reporters and any other relevant information included by the Help Desk. The Authorized Reporters and the parties to the transaction shall have thirty minutes from the time the Help Desk transmits the transaction summary to Authorized Reporters to notify the Help Desk of any inaccuracies in the content of the transaction summary and of the corrections to any inaccurate information. It is the responsibility of the buying and selling parties to effect any subsequent allocations or necessary updates to non-critical matching fields utilizing a post-trade processing system designated by the Exchange.

(k) - (m) No changes.

Rule 415. Block Trading

(a) - (f) No changes.

(g) [Each party is obligated to have an Authorized Reporter call the Help Desk without delay, and in no event later than ten minutes after a Block Trade is negotiated to notify the Exchange of the terms of the trade if the transaction occurs during the Trading Hours for the relevant Contract, unless otherwise specified in the rules governing the relevant Contract. If the transaction occurs outside of the Trading Hours for the relevant Contract, notification to the Help Desk must occur no later than ten minutes from the time that regular trading next commences on the Exchange.] Each party to a Block Trade is obligated to have an Authorized Reporter call the Help Desk after the transaction is agreed upon to notify the Exchange of the terms of the transaction. For this purpose, agreement to the transaction includes, without limitation, agreement to the actual price or premium of the Block Trade. Unless otherwise specified in the rules governing the relevant Contract,

(i) if the transaction is agreed upon between the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract and 3:15 p.m. Chicago time, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made without delay and by no later than ten minutes after the transaction is agreed upon (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that day pursuant to paragraph (i) below);

(ii) if the transaction is agreed upon between 3:15 p.m. Chicago time and 3:25 p.m. Chicago time, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made either

(A) on the day the transaction is agreed upon by no later than 3:25 p.m. Chicago time (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that day pursuant to paragraph (i) below) or

(B) on the following Business Day by no later than ten minutes from the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that Business Day pursuant to paragraph (i) below); and

(iii) if the transaction is agreed upon after 3:25 p.m. Chicago time and prior to the time that Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract on the following Business Day, this notification to the Help Desk shall be made on that following Business Day by no later than ten minutes from the time that regular Trading Hours commence in the relevant Contract (in which event the Help Desk will report the transaction and provide a written transaction summary on that Business Day pursuant to paragraph (i) below).

(h) The notification to the Help Desk with respect to a Block Trade shall include the relevant Contract, contract month, price or premium, quantity, time of execution (i.e., the time the parties agreed to the Block Trade, counterparty Clearing Member and, if applicable, the underlying commodity, whether the transaction involved a put or a call and the strike price, and any other information that is required by the Exchange.

(i) The Help Desk will report both sides of the Block Trade to the CBOE System and provide a written transaction summary to the Authorized Reporters that reported the Block Trade to the Help Desk on behalf of each party to the Block Trade. The transaction summary will include the trade information reported to the Help Desk by the Authorized Reporters and any other relevant information included by the Help Desk. The Authorized Reporters and the parties to the Block Trade shall have thirty minutes from the time the Help Desk transmits the transaction summary to Authorized Reporters to notify the Help Desk of any inaccuracies in the content of the transaction summary and of the corrections to any inaccurate information. It is the responsibility of the buying and selling Trading Privilege Holders to effect any subsequent allocations or necessary updates to non-critical matching fields utilizing a post-trade processing system designated by the Exchange.

(j) - (k) No changes.

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Questions regarding this submission may be directed to Arthur Reinstein at (312) 786-7570 or Jennifer Klebes at (312) 786-7466. Please reference our submission number CFE-2011-09 in any related correspondence.

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