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November 18, 2005

Ms. Jean A. Webb
Secretary of the Commission
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

Re: **Amendments to Rules 10.02(a)(i), 10.51 and 10.54 –
Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(2) of the Act and Regulation 40.4(b)(3) and (8)**

Dear Ms. Webb:

In accordance with Section 5c(c)(2) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Regulation 40.4(b)(3) and (8), the Board of Trade of the City of New York, Inc. (the "Exchange") submits amendments to Rules 10.02(a)(i), 10.51 and 10.54, attached as Exhibit A.

The amendment to Rule 10.02(a)(i) concerns the delivery of cotton when the delivery date is a bank holiday. When the delivery date for a Cotton No. 2 futures contract falls on a bank holiday, the Clearing Corporation is unable to debit the receiver's account and credit the deliverer's account for the full amount of the invoice. The current practice is for the deliverer and the receiver to agree to postpone the delivery date until the next Exchange business day which is not a bank holiday. The amendment codifies the practice.

The amendments to Rules 10.51 and 10.54 provide for the listing of two additional Cotton Options contracts. One option is based on the December future and expires in the previous October; the other is based on the March future and expires in the previous December. Each contract expires on the third Friday of the expiration month, i.e., the third Friday in October and the third Friday in December, respectively. Each contract will be listed on the business day following the first trading day of the underlying futures contract. The listing of the two Option contracts provides market participants with additional and potentially more efficient tools for hedging and trading price risk.

The Exchange deems the amendments to be non-material changes as the amendments meet the requirements of Regulation 40.4(b)(3) and (8).

The Exchange certifies that the amendments comply with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

The amendments were approved by the Exchange's Board of Governors on November 17, 2005. No substantive opposing views were expressed by members or others with respect to the amendments. The amendment to Rule 10.02(a)(i) will become effective ten (10) days after submission to the Commission. The amendments to Rules 10.51 and 10.54 will become effective on a date set by the President but no earlier than ten (10) days after receipt of this Submission by the Commission.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at jfassler@nybot.com or 212-748-4084.

Sincerely,

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(In the text of the amendments below, additions are underlined and deletions are bracketed and lined out.)

Rule 10.02. Definitions

(a) In this Chapter and in all procedures and resolutions adopted by the Board hereunder, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated, unless the context otherwise requires:

(i) Date of Delivery

The term "Date of Delivery" shall mean the date five (5) Business Days following the date of issue of the Delivery Notice, except as the Rules may otherwise provide; provided, however, that if the Date of Delivery is a bank holiday, the Date of Delivery shall mean the next Business Day that is not a bank holiday.

[REMAINDER OF RULE UNCHANGED]

Rule 10.51. Trading Months for Options on Cotton No. 2 Futures Contracts

Trading in Options on Cotton No. 2 Futures Contracts shall be conducted in contract months as shown below:

- An option based on the March future that will expire in the previous December;
- An option based on the March future that will expire in the previous February;
- An option based on the May future that will expire in the previous April;
- An option based on the July future that will expire in the previous June;
- An option based on the October future that will expire in the previous September
- An option based on the December future that will expire in the previous August;
- An option based on the December future that will expire in the previous October; and
- An option based on the December future that will expire in the previous November.

A new option contract month shall be listed for trading on the business day following the first trading day of the underlying future contract. [months which correspond to the following delivery months for the Underlying Futures Contract: December, March, May, July and October. The twelve (12) nearest contract months in that cycle shall be traded at all times. For the December futures contract only, a second Options contract shall be listed that shall expire in the previous August, pursuant to Rule 10.54.]

Rule 10.54. Last Trading Day

(a) For all Options Contracts, other than the December options contract which shall expire in the previous August and for which the Last Trading Day shall be the third Friday of the previous August, the December options contract which shall expire in the previous October and for which the Last Trading Day shall be the third Friday of the previous October, and the March Options contract which shall expire in the pervious December and for which the Last Trading Day shall be the third Friday of the previous December, the Last Trading Day shall be the last Friday which precedes the first notice day for the Underlying Futures Contract by at least five (5) Business Days; provided, however, that in the event the Exchange is closed on any such Friday:

(i) because such Friday is a designated Exchange Holiday which has been so designated for more than one (1) week prior thereto, the Last Trading Day shall be the trading day preceding such Friday; and

(ii) for any other reason, the Last Trading Day shall mean the first (1st) trading day after such Friday.

EXHIBIT A