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March 3, 2006

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

RE: Section 5c(c)(1), Part 40.6 – Amendment to NASDAQ 100
and E-Mini NASDAQ 100 futures minimum tick.
CME Submission# 06-16.

Dear Ms. Webb:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME” or “Exchange”) hereby notifies the Commission of an amendment to the NASDAQ 100 and the E-Mini NASDAQ 100 futures minimum tick fluctuation.

The Exchange certifies that these amendments comply with the Act and rules thereunder.

On February 13, 2006, the Board Steering Committee approved a reduction in the NASDAQ 100 and E-Mini NASDAQ 100 futures minimum tick from 0.50 to 0.25. This amendment is in response to changes in Index volatility whereby the current minimum tick fluctuation is no longer representative of the market. This change will be implemented on Sunday, April 2nd for a trade date of April 3rd. Rule language follows below with additions underlined and deletions bracketed and struck out.

If you require any additional information regarding this action, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Ariel Hantin, Senior Research Analyst, at 312-559-4951. Please reference our CME Submission #06-16 on all future correspondence regarding this notification.

Reduction in the NASDAQ 100 futures tick
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Labuszewski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "L".

John W. Labuszewski, Director
Research & Product Development

cc: Mr. Thomas M. Leahy and Mr. Steven B. Benton
CFTC Division of Market Oversight, Product Review & Analysis Section

Text of Rule Amendments

(Additions are underlined, deletions are bracketed and overstruck.)

CHAPTER 357: NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

35702.C. Price Increments

Bids and offers shall be quoted in terms of the Nasdaq 100 Index. The minimum fluctuation of the futures contract shall be [~~0.50~~] 0.25 index points, equivalent to \$[~~50~~] 25.00 per contract. Trades may also occur in multiples of 0.05 index points, for Nasdaq 100 futures calendar spreads executed as simultaneous transactions pursuant to Rule 542.A.

CHAPTER 359: E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

35902.C. Price Increments

Bids and offers shall be quoted in terms of the Nasdaq 100 Index. The minimum fluctuation of the futures contract shall be [~~0.50~~] 0.25 index points, equivalent to \$[~~40~~] 5.00 per contract. Trades may also occur in multiples of 0.05 index points, for E-Mini Nasdaq 100 futures calendar spreads executed as simultaneous transactions pursuant to Rule 542.A.

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CHAPTER 357: NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

35702.C. Price Increments

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CHAPTER 359: E-mini NASDAQ 100 Index Futures

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Bids and offers shall be quoted in terms of the Nasdaq 100 Index. The minimum fluctuation of the futures contract shall be 0.25 index points, equivalent to \$5.00 per contract. Trades may also occur in multiples of 0.05 index points, for E-Mini Nasdaq 100 futures calendar spreads executed as simultaneous transactions pursuant to Rule 542.A.