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Ms. Jean A. Webb
Secretary
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Center
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Reference File #2653.01
Rule Certification

Dear Ms. Webb:

Pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6(a), the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT[®]) hereby submits the following:

- **Amend Rule 9B.02 per the attached text (deletions struck through).**

This revision eliminates the requirement that approval by member vote be obtained prior to the Exchange's offering of agricultural contracts for electronic trading between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Central time. As a result of this change, the determination of daytime electronic trading hours for agricultural contracts will be within the authority of the CBOT Board of Directors. A corresponding revision to the CBOT's amended and restated certificate of incorporation also is being submitted as a rule certification (CBOT Reference File #2654.01).

The CBOT intends to implement this revision no later than one day after the Commission's receipt of this filing.

This revision was approved on March 8, 2006 by a vote of CBOT Series B-1 (Full) and Series B-2 (Associate) Members. The vote totals were 852 "For" and 150 3/6 "Against".

The CBOT certifies that this revision complies with the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules thereunder.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Draths
Vice President and Secretary

The text of Rule 9B.02 to be amended is as follows (~~deletions are struck through~~):

“9B.02 Hours- The Exchange shall determine the hours during which the e-cbot system shall operate for the trading of each contract or product; however, any agricultural contract or product shall be precluded from trading through the e-cbot system during those hours which are now or in the future designated for trading that contract or product by means of open outcry.

The following additional provisions shall apply with respect to agricultural contracts and agricultural products:

- the Exchange shall determine e-cbot trading hours only if such hours are between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. (Chicago time).
- ~~e-cbot trading hours outside of the 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. timeframe shall be subject to approval by a majority of the votes cast by the Series B-1 (Full) members and Series B-2 (Associate) members at an annual or special meeting called to vote on such proposal.”~~