



Via Electronic Mail

October 24, 2012

Mr. David Stawick
Secretary of the Commission
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street NW
Washington, DC 20581

SUBJECT: Rule Certification

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Pursuant to Commodity Exchange Act ("CEAct") Section 5c and Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") Regulation 40.6(a), the Minneapolis Grain Exchange, Inc. ("MGEX" or "Exchange") hereby certifies that the amendment and deletion of the attached MGEX Rules and Regulations comply with the CEAct and the Commission regulations thereunder. MGEX further certifies that the submission and pending changes to the MGEX Rules and Regulations have been posted on the Exchange website at the following link: <http://www.mgex.com/regulation.html>.

MGEX is amending Regulation 2102.00. and deleting Resolution 2102.00.C. in conjunction with the CFTC's final regulations requiring gross margining for all derivatives clearing organizations. The explanation and purpose for the amendment of Regulation 2102.00. and Resolution 2102.00.C. is to clarify compliance with CFTC Regulation §39.13(g)(8) and remove unnecessary provisions.

Pursuant to the authority of MGEX Rule 210.01. and Resolution 210.01.F., MGEX has approved amendment of Regulation 21002.00 and deletion of 2102.00.C. respectively. There were no substantive opposing views expressed.

The amendments to the MGEX Rules and Regulations are to be effective as soon as practicable after the 10th business day following the date of this filing. If there are any questions regarding this submission, please contact me at (612) 321-7128. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric J. Delain".

Eric J. Delain
Corporate Counsel

Enclosure
Cc: Thomas J. Bloom

The following provisions of the MGEX Rules and Regulations are to be amended. Insertions are indicated by underline and deletions are indicated by strikethrough.

2102.00. ~~CLEARING MEMBER MARGINS.~~

The ~~Clearing House Committee~~Exchange shall set margin requirements at a level that it believes protects the interests of Buyers and Sellers and the Exchange. The ~~Clearing House~~Exchange shall accept, as margin, cash or United States Treasury securities. Cash margin requirements shall be submitted by wire transfer of funds or other acceptable method approved by the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange. Cash and United States Treasury securities shall be submitted at times determined and posted by the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange. United States Treasury securities shall be maintained in multiples of \$5,000. The ~~Clearing House~~Exchange shall value securities as it deems appropriate. The President or his designee may, at their discretion, require of any Member or market participant a margin upon any or all of such Member or market participant's open trades which are deemed unduly insecure or hazardous in such amount as deemed advisable. Calls for such margin shall be paid by the Clearing Member within one business day or earlier if so requested. Further, the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange shall collect daily intra-day variations from Clearing Members apart from, and in addition to, any margin or daily settlement variation payments and collects.

Margin requirements are subject to change at any time but shall at all times be those requirements most recently adopted publicly posted, (see Res. 2102.00.C.) and in compliance with the requirements of CFTC Regulation 39.13(g)(8), as amended.

Clearing Members called for margins under this Regulation shall pay by the deadline announced by the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange. An extension of time for such payments can only be granted by the President or his designee. In such cases the extension of time so granted shall be noted on the written call, and copy of said call shall be kept in the files of the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange.

Should a Clearing Member fail to deposit balances for additional margin as required in this Regulation, or should the President or his designee deem the transaction of any Member or market participant unduly insecure or hazardous, the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange may direct that the Member or market participant close out all or a portion of ~~his-the~~ trades, or that the Member or market participant transfer all or a portion of ~~his-the~~ trades to the books of another Clearing Member, as the situation may require. If such requests are not complied with within one (1) hour, the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange may, with the consent of the President or his designee, originate orders to transfer or close out all or a portion of the Member or market participant's trades, as the situation may require. Any such action shall be taken with due consideration to the positions of customers.

All differences between the contract price reported and accepted and the price at which the property may be bought or sold as a consequence of a Member or market participant's failure to fulfill ~~his-the~~ obligations as set forth in this Regulation shall constitute the rule and measure of damages against the Member or market participant so failing, and the differences shall be calculated, adjusted and settled within the time and in the manner and form determined by the ~~Clearing House and the Rules and Regulations of the~~ Exchange.

Any financial obligations owed by a Clearing Member to the ~~Clearing House~~Exchange, which remain outstanding after all the Member or market participant's trades have been closed out, may be satisfied through the Member or market participant's security deposit with the Clearing House or such other assets, collateral or guarantees as necessary to satisfy the financial obligations.

RESOLUTION 2102.00. C.

The Minneapolis Grain Exchange Board of Directors, or its designee, has adopted the following margins as the minimum amounts that are proper and adequate.

A. Margins on Futures

	<u>Amount Per Contract</u>
Apple Juice Concentrate	\$1,450
Hard Red Spring Wheat	\$2,650
Hard Red Spring Wheat Index	\$2,650
Hard Red Winter Wheat Index	\$2,650
National Corn Index	\$1,700
National Soybean Index	\$2,500
Soft Red Winter Wheat Index	\$2,650

Intra-Commodity Spreads

AJC Calendar Spread***	\$700
HRSW Intra-Crop Year*	\$900
HRSW Inter-Crop Years**	\$1,950

* Rate charged for spreads consisting of two HRSW contracts within the same crop year (Crop Year defined as September through July contract months).

** Rate charged for spreads consisting of two HRSW futures contracts, each within a different crop year (Crop Year defined as September through July contract months).

*** AJC Calendar Spread defined as November 2012 through September 2013 Contract Months

B. Inter-Commodity Spreads

	<u>Spread Credit % Savings</u>
NCI vs. NSI	50%
HRWI vs. Spring Wheat	100%
HRSI vs. Spring Wheat	100%
SRWI vs. Spring Wheat	100%
HRWI vs. HRSI	100%
HRWI vs. SRWI	100%
SRWI vs. HRSI	100%

C. Inter-Exchange Spreads - MGEX Side

MGEX NCI vs. CBOT Corn	100%
MGEX NSI vs. CBOT Soybeans	100%
MGEX HRWI vs. CBOT Wheat	100%
MGEX HRWI vs. KCBT Wheat	100%
MGEX HRSI vs. CBOT Wheat	100%
MGEX HRSI vs. KCBT Wheat	100%
MGEX SRWI vs. CBOT Wheat	100%
MGEX SRWI vs. KCBT Wheat	100%
MGEX Spring Wheat vs. CBOT Wheat	60%
MGEX Spring Wheat vs. KCBT Wheat	60%

~~D. Margins on Options. Under the provisions of **Rule 760.00**, the Board of Directors, or its designee, hereby establishes that minimum margins for options transactions will be determined by the Standard Portfolio of Analysis of Risk margin calculations. SPAN[®] is a registered trademark of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. The Chicago Mercantile Exchange assumes no liability in connection with the use of SPAN[®] by any person or entity.~~

~~Effective September 13, 2012~~