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January 6, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Christopher J. Kirkpatrick Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

RE: Modifications to the Eurodollar <u>CME STIR</u> Options Pit Broker Program CME Submission No. 22-015

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of plans to modify the CME STIR Options Pit Broker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will become effective on February 1, 2022.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of the Program. Modifications appear below, with additions <u>underscored</u> and deletions overstruck.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CME staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted: Monitoring of Trading, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules, Availability of General Information, and Recordkeeping.

The Program does not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA and the Exchange's market regulation staff will monitor trading under the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' obligations to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The incentives in the Program do not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by Exchange staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the CME rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with the Exchange in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and CME rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

CME certifies that the Program complies with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange's website at <u>http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</u>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail <u>CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</u> or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at <u>Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com</u>. Please reference our CME Submission No. 22-015 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

EXHIBIT 1

Eurodollar CME STIR Options Pit Broker Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incentivize participants to enhance liquidity in the products listed below for our global client base. A more liquid contract benefits all participants in the market.

Product Scope

All <u>CME STIR Options</u> Eurodollar options traded on Globex®, and pit-traded Eurodollar Options, including (without limitation to the foregoing) standard quarterly expiries, Mid-Curve Options, and Calendar Spread Options ("Products").

Eligible Participants

The Program is available to all CME members. There is no limit to the number of participants that can be in the Program. Existing Program participants must: (i) be floor brokers, (ii) have executed at least 10,000 sides as a broker in the Products during the prior calendar year, and (iii) have volume in the Products in three (3) separate months during the prior calendar year. New Program participants must: (i) be floor brokers, and (ii) execute at least 2,500 sides as a broker in the Products for three (3) consecutive months. New participants that qualify for the Program will be enrolled during the following calendar quarter.

Program Term

Start date is December 1, 2017. End date January 31, 2022 January 31, 2023.

<u>Hours</u>

Regular and Extended Trading Hours ("RTH & ETH").

Program Incentives

Brokers will receive the following benefits for personal accounts:

- \$0.13 discount off Globex® all-in fees.
- \$0.08 discount off pit all-in fees.

Monitoring and Termination of Status

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke participant status if it concludes from review that a participant has failed to meet the requirements of the Program.