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Organization: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME")

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**Organization Rules and Rule Amendments**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Notification § 40.6(d)
- Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change § 40.10(a)
- SIDCO Emergency Rule Change § 40.10(h)

**Rule Numbers:**

**New Product**

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- Certification § 40.2(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
- Approval § 40.3(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

**Official Product Name:**

**Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
- Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.24(c)
- Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
- "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" § 40.4(b)(5)
- Notification § 40.6(d)

**Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:** See filing.

**Rule Numbers:** See filing.

November 15, 2023

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick  
 Office of the Secretariat  
 Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
 Three Lafayette Centre  
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 Washington, D.C. 20581

**Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Temporary Amendments to the Listing Schedule of Weekly Options on Bitcoin Futures and Weekly Options on Micro Bitcoin Futures Contracts. CME Submission No. 23-462**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME” or “Exchange”) is certifying to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) temporary amendments to the listing schedule of the January 2024 and April 2024 contract months of the Weekly Options on Bitcoin Futures and Weekly Options on Micro Bitcoin Futures contracts (the “Contracts”) to early list weekly contracts on a one-time basis (collectively, the “Temporary Rule Amendments”) effective Sunday, December 3, 2023, for trade date Monday, December 4, 2023.

Contract Title	CME Globex and CME ClearPort Code	Rulebook Chapter
Monday - Friday Weekly Options on Bitcoin Futures - Weeks 1-5	P1A-P5A P1B-P5B P1C-P5C P1D-P5D P1E-P4E	350A
Monday - Friday Weekly Options on Micro Bitcoin Futures - Weeks 1-5	W1A-W5A W1B-W5B W1C-W5C W1D-W5D W1E-W4E	348A

Pursuant to the current listing schedule of the Contracts, the January 2024 and April 2024 weekly options of the Contracts would ordinarily become available for trading and clearing in late December 2023 and late March 2024, respectively. Pursuant to the Temporary Rule Amendments the Exchange will avail for trading and clearing the January and April Week 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Monday through Friday Options on the Contracts on December 4, 2023. The Temporary Rule Amendments shall only apply to the January 2024 and April 2024 contract months of the Contracts. Expiration of these early listed weekly contracts shall remain unchanged.

The Exchange is implementing the Temporary Rule Amendments to provide market participants greater ability to more precisely and efficiently manage risk in light of certain market events. Market participants are in favor of the Temporary Rule Amendments.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA" or "Act") and identified that the Temporary Rule Amendments may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- **Availability of General Information:** The Exchange will release a Special Executive Report ("SER") regarding the aforementioned. The SER will also be posted on the CME Group website.
- **Daily Publication of Trading Information:** CME will continue to publish contract trading volumes, open interest levels, and price information daily on its website and through quote vendors for the Contracts.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), CME hereby certifies that the Temporary Rule Amendments comply with the Act, including the regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to the proposal.

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

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (312) 466-7478 or via e-mail at [CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ Timothy Elliott  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel