## SUBMISSION COVER SHEET **IMPORTANT:** Check box if Confidential Treatment is requested Registered Entity Identifier Code (optional): 23-071 Organization: Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME") $\times$ DCM DCO Filing as a: SEF SDR Please note - only ONE choice allowed. Filing Date (mm/dd/yy): 03/01/23 Filing Description: Expansion of the Listing Schedule of the **Three-Month SOFR Futures Contract** SPECIFY FILING TYPE Please note only ONE choice allowed per Submission. **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** Please note only ONE product per Submission. 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 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:** CME Chapter 460.



March 1, 2023

## VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission 3 Lafayette Center 1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street NW Washington, DC 20581

Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Expansion of the Listing Schedule of the

**Three-Month SOFR Futures Contract.** 

CME Submission No. 23-071

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchanges") certifies to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") the expansion of the listing schedule of the Three-Month SOFR Futures contract (the "Contract") for trading on the CME Globex electronic trading platform ("CME Globex") and for submission for clearing via CME ClearPort as noted in the table below effective Sunday, March 19, 2023, for trade date Monday, March 20, 2023.

Contract Title	Commodity Code	Rulebook Chapter	Current Listing Schedule	Expanded Listing Schedule
Three-Month SOFR Futures	SR3	<u>460</u>	Quarterly contracts (Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec) listed for 41 consecutive quarters and the nearest 4 serial contract months	Quarterly contracts (Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec) listed for 41 consecutive quarters and the nearest <u>6</u> serial contract months

The listing schedule of the Contract currently provides that quarterly contracts will be listed for forty-one (41) months but is limited to serial contracts listed for four (4) months. Effective on trade date March 20, 2023, in addition to the forty-one (41) consecutive quarters, the Exchange will expand the listing schedule of serial contracts from (4) to (6) months (collectively, the "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 Rule Amendments may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- <u>Daily Publication of Trading Information</u>: CME will continue to publish contract trading volumes, open interest levels, and price information daily on its website.
- **Execution of Transactions**: The Exchange will continue to provide a competitive, open, and efficient market and mechanism for executing transactions that protects the price discovery process of trading the Contract.
- <u>Availability of General Information</u>: The Exchange will release a Special Executive Report ("SER")
  regarding the Rule Amendments to ensure notification to market participants. The SER will also be posted on
  the CME Group website.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange certifies that the Rule Amendments comply with the Act, including all regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

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

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200 or CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel