



September 5, 2003

Ms. Jean A. Webb
Secretary
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20581

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Dear Ms. Webb:

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

- **Early listing of January, March and May 2005 Soybean Oil futures and March and May 2005 Soybean futures.**

These futures contracts ordinarily would be authorized for trading later in 2003. Due to customer demand, the Exchange intends to list these contracts earlier than usual (i.e., the business day after the Commission's receipt of this filing).

This is a one-time change, rather than a permanent revision, in the Exchange's listing cycle.

There were no opposing views with respect to this action.

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

Sincerely,

Paul J. Draths
Vice President and Secretary