



December 5, 2003

Ms. Jean A. Webb  
Office of the Secretariat  
Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21st Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20581

RE: Section 5c(c)(1), Part 40.6(a) – Rule Certification for Change in the January 2004 CME  
Brazilian Real Futures and Options Termination of Trading Day.  
CME Submission 03-109.

Dear Ms. Webb:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commission that, analogous to CME procedures for the last three years, the Exchange is interpreting the termination of trading day for the January 2004 CME Brazilian real futures and options to be Tuesday, December 30, 2003. The Central Bank of Brazil has informed CME that it will be releasing the rate used by the Exchange for the Final Settlement Price for the January 2004 Brazilian real futures contract around 6:00 PM Sao Paulo time on Tuesday, December 30, 2003. Although the last business day for the Central Bank of Brazil is Wednesday, December 31, 2003, the "PTAX Rate" of December 31, 2003, will be the same as the "PTAX Rate" of December 30, 2003. Therefore, for the purpose of determining the termination of trading day for the January 2004 Brazilian real futures and options contracts, the last business day of the month for the Central Bank of Brazil is Tuesday, December 30, 2003, when the "PTAX Rate" will be issued. There is no open interest in either the January 2004 Brazilian real futures or options contracts.

This change in the termination of trading day for the January 2004 CME Brazilian real futures and options contracts will be communicated to members in CME Special Executive Report, S-4032, dated Monday, December 8, 2003.

The Exchange notes that this action neither violates nor is inconsistent with any provision of the Commodity Exchange Act or of the rules thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

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If you require any additional information regarding this action, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Steven Youngren at 312-930-4583 or via e-mail at [syoungre@cme.com](mailto:syoungre@cme.com). Please reference our CME Submission 03-109 on all future correspondence regarding this notification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John W. Labuszewski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

John W. Labuszewski  
Director, Research & Product Development

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