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June 24, 2009

Mr. David Stawick Office of the Secretariat **Commodity Futures Trading Commission** Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20581

RE: CME/CBOT/NYMEX Rule 930.C. ("Acceptable Performance Bond Deposits") CME/CBOT/NYMEX Submission No. 09.125

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME"), The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago. Inc. ("CBOT") and The New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX") hereby notify the Commodity Futures Trading Commission that they have approved an amendment to CME, CBOT and NYMEX Rule 930.C. ("Acceptable Performance Bond Deposits"). The amendment will permit clearing members to accept physical gold to meet performance bond requirements if it meets the London Bullion Market Association's definition of "London Good Delivery" Gold.

The text of the rule change is attached, with additions underscored and deletions lined-out. The amendment will be made effective on June 26, 2009.

The Exchanges certify that this rule change complies with the Commodity Exchange Act and regulations thereunder.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact Tim Doar at 312.930.3162, Anne Polaski at 312.338.2679, or me at 312.648.5422.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stephen M. Szarmack Director and Associate General Counsel

CME Rule 930.C. Acceptable Performance Bond Deposits

1. Non-Security Futures

Clearing members may accept from their account holders as performance bond cash currencies of any denomination, readily marketable securities (as defined by SEC Rule 15c3-1(c)(11) and applicable SEC interpretations), money market mutual funds allowable under CFTC Regulation 1.25, and bank-issued letters of credit, and "London Good Delivery" gold, as defined by the London Bullion Market Association.

Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder securities that have been issued by the account holder or an affiliate of the account holder unless the clearing member files a petition with and receives permission from Clearing House staff.

Bank-issued letters of credit must be in a form acceptable to the Clearing House. Such letters of credit must be drawable in the United States. Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder letters of credit issued by the account holder, an affiliate of the account holder, the clearing member, or an affiliate of the clearing member.

All assets deposited by account holders to meet performance bond requirements must be and remain unencumbered by third party claims against the depositing account holder.

Except to the extent that Clearing House staff shall prescribe otherwise, cash currency performance bond deposits shall be valued at market value. All other performance bond deposits other than letters of credit shall be valued at an amount not to exceed market value less applicable haircuts as set forth in SEC Rule 240.15c3-1.

NYMEX Rule 930.C. Acceptable Performance Bond Deposits

Clearing members may accept from their account holders as performance bond cash currencies of any denomination, readily marketable securities (as defined by SEC Rule 15c3-1(c)(11) and applicable SEC interpretations), money market mutual funds allowable under CFTC Regulation 1.25, bank–issued letters of credit<u>and</u> deliverable warehouse receipts for commodities traded on the Exchange provided that such receipts will be valued as margin at no more than 75% of the value of the commodity<u>and</u> <u>"London Good Delivery</u>" gold, as defined by the London Bullion Market Association.

Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder securities that have been issued by the account holder or an affiliate of the account holder unless the clearing member files a petition with and receives permission from Clearing House staff.

Bank-issued letters of credit must be in a form acceptable to the Clearing House. Such letters of credit must be drawable in the United States. Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder letters of credit issued by the account holder, an affiliate of the account holder, the clearing member, or an affiliate of the clearing member.

All assets deposited by account holders to meet performance bond requirements must be and remain unencumbered by third party claims against the depositing account holder.

Except to the extent that Clearing House staff shall prescribe otherwise, cash currency performance bond deposits shall be valued at market value. All other performance bond deposits other than letters of credit shall be valued at an amount not to exceed market value less applicable haircuts as set forth in SEC Rule 240.15c3-1.

CBOT Rule 930.C. Acceptable Performance Bond Deposits

Clearing members may accept from their account holders as performance bond cash currencies of any denomination, readily marketable securities (as defined by SEC Rule 15c3-1(c)(11) and applicable SEC interpretations), money market mutual funds allowable under CFTC Regulation 1.25, bank-issued letters of credit, and deliverable warehouse receipts and shipping certificates, and "London Good Delivery" gold, as defined by the London Bullion Market Association.

Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder securities that have been issued by the account holder or an affiliate of the account holder unless the clearing member files a petition with and receives permission from Clearing House staff.

Bank-issued letters of credit must be in a form acceptable to the Clearing House. Such letters of credit must be drawable in the United States. Clearing members shall not accept as performance bond from an account holder letters of credit issued by the account holder, an affiliate of the account holder, the clearing member, or an affiliate of the clearing member.

All assets deposited by account holders to meet performance bond requirements must be and remain unencumbered by third party claims against the depositing account holder.

Except to the extent that Clearing House staff shall prescribe otherwise, cash currency performance bond deposits shall be valued at market value. All other performance bond deposits other than letters of credit shall be valued at an amount not to exceed market value less applicable haircuts as set forth in SEC Rule 240.15c3-1.