

November 15, 2013

VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Melissa Jurgens
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

RE: REVISED - CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Early Listing of November 2015 Soybean Options and December 2015 Soybean Meal and Soybean Oil Options CBOT Submission No. 13-537R

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying the early listing of three option contracts: November 2015 Soybean options (OSZ/S/CZ/PZ), December 2015 Soybean Oil options (OZL/07/OY/OZ), and December 2015 Soybean Meal options (OZM/06/MY/MZ). The November 2015 Soybean options contract would ordinarily be authorized for trading on August 25, 2014 and the December 2015 Soybean Meal and Soybean Oil options would ordinarily be authorized for trading on September 29, 2014. Due to customer demand, the Exchange intends to list these contracts earlier than regularly scheduled at 7:00 p.m. CT on Monday, December 2, 2013 for trade date Tuesday, December 3, 2013.

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

Please note that CBOT Submission 13-537R amends the effective date, adds the relevant product codes and provides a copy of the Special Executive Report regarding this matter to Commission staff for informational purposes.

Exchange business staff and the legal department collectively reviewed the designated contract market's core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, Exchange staff identified that the proposed changes may impact the following Core Principles:

- Prevention of Market Disruption: Early listing will result in more instruments being listed. However, the additional instruments will not affect the Exchange's monitoring and surveillance. As with all products listed for trading on one of CME Group's designated contract markets, activity will be subject to extensive monitoring and surveillance by CME Group's Market Regulation Department.
- Contracts Not Readily Subject to Manipulation: The terms and conditions of these early-listed options are identical to those of other contract months in the same products.
- Daily Publication of Trading Data: The Exchange will report in a manner consistent with how activity is currently reported for all relevant information on newly listed contract expirations.
- Execution of Transactions: Additional listed contract expirations will not impact the Exchange's order execution, which will continue as before.

- Trade Information: Additional listed contract expirations will be recorded and stored in accordance with the Exchange's obligations under this Core Principle.
- Protection of Market Participants: Exchange Rules include prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. These rules will continue to apply with all newly listed expirations.

CBOT has published information on the early listing of these contract months on its website and distributed relevant information to the marketplace (see Appendix A attached). CBOT is not aware of any substantive opposing views to this proposal. CBOT expects additional trading in the expanded contracts that will enhance the price discovery process and add liquidity to the market.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the CEA and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), CBOT certifies that the proposed listing cycles complies with the CEA and regulations thereunder. CBOT certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the CME Group website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

If you require any additional information regarding this action, please contact me at 212-299-2200 or via e-mail at Christopher.Bowen@cmegroup.com, or John McKinlay at 312-930-3028 or via e-mail at John.McKinlay@cmegroup.com. Please reference our CBOT Submission No. 13-537 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment
Appendix A: Special Executive Report #6914

Appendix A



Special Executive Report

DATE: November 18, 2013

SER#: 6914

SUBJECT: Early Listing Contract Months: November 2015 Options on Soybean Futures; December 2015 Options on Soybean Oil Futures; and December 2015 Options on Soybean Meal Futures

Effective Monday, December 2, 2013 for trade date Tuesday, December 3, 2013, and pending all CFTC regulatory review periods, the Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. ("CBOT" or "Exchange") will implement the early listing of the following three (3) option contract months as described below.

Product Title	Codes	Rulebook Chapter	Early Listed Month
Options on Soybean Futures	CME Globex: OZS Clearing: S Trading Floor: CZ (Calls), PZ (Puts)	11A	November 2015
Options on Soybean Oil Futures	CME Globex: OZL Clearing: 07 Trading Floor: OZ (Calls), OY (Puts)	12A	December 2015
Options on Soybean Meal Futures	CME Globex: OZM Clearing: 06 Trading Floor: MY (Calls), MZ (Puts)	13A	December 2015

The November 2015 contract month for the Options on Soybean Futures contract was originally scheduled to be listed for trading on CME Globex and the CBOT trading floor and for submission for clearing through CME ClearPort on August 25, 2014. The December 2015 contract month for the Options on Soybean Oil Futures and the Options on Soybean Meal Futures contracts was originally scheduled to be listed for trading on CME Globex and the CBOT trading floor and for submission for clearing through CME ClearPort on September 29, 2014.

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

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