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December 4, 2007

Mr. David Stawick  
Office of the Secretariat  
Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street, NW  
Washington DC 20581

**RE: Standard Freight Rate for Live Cattle Futures Deliveries  
CME Submission #07-99.**

Dear Mr. Stawick:

The Standard Freight Rate is used in carcass graded deliveries of Live Cattle to compensate the seller when the buyer requests delivery at a packing plant that is farther from the feedyard than the delivery point stockyards. In accordance with Live Cattle Rule 10103.C.8., this rate is set annually by Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("Exchange"). For 2007, the rate was \$3.25 per mile per contract, up 25 cents from the \$3.00 rate for 2006.

Results from a survey of livestock trucking firms show that freight rates have remained relatively stable after several years of rapidly rising fuel costs. On November 26, 2007, the Exchange voted to maintain the Standard Freight Rate at \$3.25, beginning with deliveries on the February 2008 contract month.

The Exchange certifies that this action neither violates nor is inconsistent with any portion of the Commodity Exchange Act or of the Regulations thereunder.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Paul Peterson at (312) 930-4587 or via e-mail at [paul.peterson@cmegroup.com](mailto:paul.peterson@cmegroup.com) or me. Please refer to CME Submission #07-99 in all correspondence regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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