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March 11, 2004

Re: **Rule Certification Pursuant to Section
5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange
Act and Commission Regulation 40.6**

VIA AIR COURIER AND E-MAIL

Ms. Jean A. Webb
Secretary
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Dear Ms. Webb:

The Clearing Corporation hereby submits, pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act (the "Act") and Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") Regulation 40.6, a self-certification of the amended Rules of The Clearing Corporation (the "Amended Rules"). The Clearing Corporation is registered with the Commission as a derivatives clearing organization. As detailed below, The Clearing Corporation intends to make the Amended Rules effective on the business day following the filing of this submission with the Commission at its Washington, D.C. headquarters and with its Chicago regional office.

This submission includes the Amended Rules. A description of the principal changes contained in the Amended Rules follows. Certification of the Amended Rules pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Commission Regulation 40.6.

Amended Rules:

Changes in the Amended Rules include (i) the deletion of all provisions specific included with respect to contracts traded on, or subject to the rules of, the Chicago Board of Trade, for which The Clearing Corporation ceased providing all clearing and settlement services on January 2, 2004; (ii) the relocation of certain provisions from Chapter 9 of the current Rules to the respective sections of Chapters 1-8, reflecting that U.S. Futures Exchange, L.L.C. ("USFE") is now the principal market for which The Clearing Corporation provides clearing and settlement services; and, (iii) various nonsubstantive editorial changes and corrections. The Amended Rules in no way relate to any of the matters that were the subject of the undertakings provided by The Clearing Corporation and referenced in the Commission's Order approving the contract market designation of USFE.

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Annexed as Exhibits hereto are the following:

- A. Amended Rules of The Clearing Corporation.
- B. A copy of the Amended Rules of The Clearing Corporation marked to show changes from the Rules as currently in effect (October 31, 2003 submission).

Certification:

The Clearing Corporation hereby certifies that the Amended Rules comply with the Act and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to the Rules.

The Clearing Corporation would be pleased to respond to any questions that the Commission or the staff may have regarding this submission. Please direct any questions or requests for information to the attention of the undersigned at (312) 786-5711 or Robert G. Hertel, Jr., Associate General Counsel, at (312) 786-5743.

Sincerely,



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Rules of The Clearing Corporation

1. INTERPRETATION

101. Definitions.

Board; Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of The Clearing Corporation.

Business Day

Any day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and holidays observed by The Clearing Corporation) on which The Clearing Corporation is open for business. References in these Rules to a “day” or “Business Day” shall, unless the context otherwise requires, mean the “Business Day” corresponding to the trading day declared by the relevant Market.

Bylaws

The Bylaws of The Clearing Corporation, as in effect from time to time.

Certificate of Incorporation

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation of The Clearing Corporation, as amended from time to time.

Collateral

At any time, such property, other than Margin, as may be delivered, or in which a security interest may be granted, by a Participant to The Clearing Corporation or its custodian, as collateral for the Obligations, and all proceeds of the foregoing.

Commission

The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Commodities

All goods, articles, services, rights and interests in which Exchange Contracts are dealt in.

Contracts

Exchange Contracts and OTC Contracts.

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605.

EurexUS

U.S. Futures Exchange, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company.

Exchange Contract

A Futures Contract, Option on a Futures Contract or Option on a Commodity that is dealt in on or subject to the rules of an Exchange Market and submitted to The Clearing Corporation for clearance in accordance with these Rules.

Exchange Market

An exchange or market that has been designated by or registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission as a contract market or derivatives transaction execution facility, is party to an agreement with The Clearing Corporation for the provision of clearing services, and is specifically identified in these Rules as an Exchange Market.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The following exchanges and markets are Exchange Markets in respect of the following Exchange Contracts:
- (a) EurexUS, with respect to (i) 30-year Treasury Bond Futures, (ii) 10-year Treasury Note Futures, (iii) 5-year Treasury Note Futures, (iv) 2-year Treasury Note Futures, (v) Options on 30-year Treasury Bond Futures, (vi) Options on 10-year Treasury Note Futures, (vii) Options on 5-year Treasury Note Futures, and (viii) Options on 2-year Treasury Note Futures, as set forth more fully in Chapter 9A.
 - (b) Merchants' Exchange LLC, with respect to (i) Cash-Settled Brent Crude Oil Futures, (ii) Cash-Settled European Gas Oil Futures, (iii) Cash-Settled Light "Sweet" Crude Oil Futures, (iv) Cash-Settled Natural Gas Futures, (v) Cash-Settled No. 2 Heating Oil (New York Harbor Delivery) Futures, (vi) Cash-Settled Unleaded Gasoline (New York Harbor Delivery) Futures, (vii) Barge Freight Futures on the Illinois Waterway, and (viii) Barge Freight Futures on St. Louis Harbor ("ME Contracts"), as set forth more fully in Chapter 10.

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open Trades or positions in Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by The Clearing Corporation to such Participant's settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant's variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

Futures Contracts

Contracts for the purchase or sale of a Commodity for future delivery dealt in pursuant to the rules of an Exchange Market.

General Guaranty Fund

At any time, funds or other property of The Clearing Corporation, set aside and recorded on the books of The Clearing Corporation in support of the Obligations of Participants in respect of Contracts specified in Rule 801.02.

Guaranty Funds

The General Guaranty Fund and such Special Guaranty Funds as are in existence from time to time.

Last Trading Day

The final day of trading in a Contract, as set forth in the rules of the relevant Market or in these Rules.

Margin

Original Margin (including super and special margin), Option premiums and variation settlements paid or payable by or to a Participant to or by The Clearing Corporation.

Markets

Exchange Markets and OTC Markets.

Obligations

All financial obligations of a Participant arising under these Rules in respect of or arising out of Contracts, in either case however created, arising or evidenced, whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, existing, due or to become due.

Option

An Option on a Futures Contract or Option on a Commodity, dealt in pursuant to the rules of an Exchange Market.

OTC Contract

An agreement, contract, or transaction that is specifically identified in these Rules as an OTC Contract and submitted to The Clearing Corporation in accordance with these Rules and that is: (i) (A) an interest rate swap, option, or forward agreement, including a rate floor, rate cap, rate collar, cross-currency rate swap, basis swap, or forward rate agreement; (B) a same day-tomorrow, tomorrow-next, forward, or other foreign exchange or precious metals agreement; a currency swap, option, or forward agreement; (C) an equity index or equity swap; (D) a debt index or debt swap; (E) a credit spread or credit swap, option, or forward agreement; (F) a commodity index or commodity swap, option, or forward agreement; or (G) a weather swap, weather derivative, or weather option; (ii) similar to any other agreement, contract, or transaction referred to above that is a forward, swap, or option on one or more occurrences of any event, rates, currencies, commodities, economic or other indices or measures of economic or other risk or value; (iii) excluded from the Commodity Exchange Act under section 2(c), 2(d), 2(f), or 2(g) of such Act, or exempted under section 2(h) or 4(c) of such Act; or (iv) an option to enter into any, or any combination of, agreements, contracts or transactions referred to herein.

OTC Market

A market that is party to an agreement with The Clearing Corporation for the provision of clearing services and that is specifically identified in these Rules as an OTC Market.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The following exchanges and markets are OTC Markets in respect of the following OTC Contracts:
- (a) Commodities Management Exchange, Inc. with respect to (i) CMX AL London NA A380 (Single-Day Settlement), (ii) CMX AL NA A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement), (iii) CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Single-Day Settlement), (iv) CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement), (v) CMX AL London Alloy (Single-Day Settlement), (vi) CMX AL London Alloy (Monthly-Average Settlement), (vii) CMX AL London Hi Grade (Single-Day Settlement), (viii) CMX AL London Hi Grade (Monthly-Average Settlement), (ix) CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Single-Day Settlement), (x) CMX AL Midwest Survey Transaction Price (Monthly-Average Settlement), (xi) CMX AL New York Primary (Single-Day Settlement), (xii) CMX AL New York Primary (Monthly-Average Settlement), (xiii) CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Single-Day Settlement), and (xiv) CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Monthly-Average Settlement) (each, a

“CMX Contract,” and collectively, “CMX Contracts”), as set forth more fully in Chapter 11 and Appendix 11-A.

- (b) ChemConnect, Inc. with respect to (i) Ethane Forward (F.O.B. at Enterprise Product Partners L.P. facility at Mt. Belvieu, Texas), (ii) Ethane Swap (Settled to Ethane Forward), (iii) Options on Ethane Forward, (iv) Propane Forward (F.O.B. at Texas Eastern Pipeline Company facility at Mt. Belvieu, Texas), (v) Propane Swap (Settled to Propane Forward), (vi) Options on Propane Forward (each, a “ChemConnect Contract,” and collectively, “ChemConnect Contracts”), as set more fully in Chapter 12 and Appendix 12-A.
- (c) IntercontinentalExchange, Inc., with respect to (i) PJM West Peak Power Contracts, and (ii) Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice Peak Power Contracts (each, an “ICE Contract,” and collectively, “ICE Contracts”), as set forth more fully in Chapter 13 and Appendix 13-A.

Participant

A Person that has been approved by The Clearing Corporation for the submission of Contracts and that is party to an agreement with The Clearing Corporation specifically relating to transactions in Contracts.

Person

An individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, association, firm, trust, corporation or other entity, as the context may require.

President

The President of The Clearing Corporation.

Rule

References to a “Rule” or “Rules” are references to the Rules of The Clearing Corporation.

Settlement Price

The price, established in accordance with Rule 404, for open Contracts.

Special Guaranty Fund

One or more Guaranty Funds established by The Clearing Corporation in support of the Obligations of Participants in respect of Contracts made on or subject to the rules of the Markets specified herein.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

.01 The following Guaranty Fund is a Special Guaranty Fund in respect of the following Markets:

- (a) Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund, with respect to (i) Merchants' Exchange LLC, (ii) Commodities Management Exchange, Inc., (iii) ChemConnect, Inc., and (iv) IntercontinentalExchange, Inc.

Trades

Transactions in Contracts.

Transfer Trades

With respect to Exchange Contracts, transactions commonly referred to as give-ups, office transfers, exchanges of futures for physicals or exchanges of futures for swaps, as well as such other transactions in Exchange Contracts as may be defined as Transfer Trades by The Clearing Corporation. With respect to OTC Contracts, transactions in OTC Contracts that are defined as Transfer Trades by The Clearing Corporation.

102. Scope and Interpretation.

- (a) The Rules set forth herein are applicable only to Trades and related obligations arising out of Exchange Contracts and OTC Contracts. In the event of a conflict between these Rules and the Bylaws of The Clearing Corporation, these Rules will prevail. In the event of a conflict between these Rules generally and Rules adopted by The Clearing Corporation specifically governing Trades and related obligations made on a particular Market or particular types of transactions, the Rules specifically governing such Trades, obligations or transactions will prevail. More particularly:
 - (i) The Rules in Chapters 1 - 8 are supplemented for specific Markets and Contracts by the Rules in Chapters 9 *et seq.* (Thus, for example, the definitions in Rule 101 are supplemented, for purposes of Chapter 9A, by the additional definitions in Rule 9-101A.) The Rules in Chapters 9 *et seq.* shall apply only to the Market or Contracts specified in the caption to such Chapter.
 - (ii) Where the numbering of a Rule in Chapters 9 *et seq.* corresponds to that of a Rule in Chapters 1 - 8, the Rule in Chapters 1 - 8 is superseded to the extent applicable by the correspondingly numbered Rule in Chapter 9 *et seq.* (Thus, for example, references in Chapter 10 to the term "Settlement Price" mean the Settlement Price established in accordance with Rule 10-404.)

- (iii) Where a Rule in Chapter 9 *et seq.* is “[Reserved],” the correspondingly numbered Rule in Chapters 1 - 8 is made expressly inapplicable to the Market and Contracts that are the subject of the Rules in that Chapter.

- (b) In these Rules, unless a clear contrary intention appears, (a) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa, (b) reference to the masculine, feminine or neuter gender includes each other gender, (c) any reference to a number of days shall mean calendar days unless Business Days are specified, and (d) any reference to times shall mean the time in Chicago, Illinois. Except as otherwise specifically provided in these Rules, an act that otherwise would be required or permitted by these Rules to be performed on a date that is not a Business Day may be performed on the next day that is a Business Day.

2. MEMBERSHIP

201. Qualifications of Participants.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole power to determine whether any applicant for status of Participant, or any existing Participant, satisfies the qualifications established by The Clearing Corporation. Only persons found by the Corporation to be so qualified shall be permitted to be Participants. For the purpose of determining whether any applicant or Participant is thus qualified, The Clearing Corporation may establish minimum capital and other financial requirements for Participants, examine the books and records of any applicant or Participant, and may take such other steps as it may deem necessary to ascertain the facts bearing upon the question of qualification.
- (b) In order to justify The Clearing Corporation assuming the risk of clearing their Trades, Participants must meet and maintain such standards of business integrity, financial capacity, creditworthiness, operational capability, experience and competence as may be established by The Clearing Corporation from time to time. Without limitation of the foregoing, no applicant shall be admitted as a Participant unless:
 - (i) It meets, at the time of admission and maintains thereafter, such minimum capital requirements as may be established from time to time by The Clearing Corporation;
 - (ii) It makes and maintains so long as it is a Participant a deposit or deposits of Collateral in one or more Guaranty Funds as required by these Rules;
 - (iii) It has established satisfactory relationships with, and has designated to The Clearing Corporation, an approved settlement bank for confirmation and payment of all Margins and settlements with The Clearing Corporation;
 - (iv) It maintains back-office facilities staffed with experienced and competent personnel or has entered into a facilities management agreement in form and substance acceptable to The Clearing Corporation; and
 - (v) It files in a timely manner all reports and information relating to the Participant, Persons controlling the Participant, and related or affiliated organizations as required by these Rules or otherwise required by The Clearing Corporation.

202. Application for Participant Status.

- (a) Persons desiring to clear Trades through The Clearing Corporation shall make application in such form as shall be prescribed by The Clearing Corporation. Each

applicant must agree to abide by the Rules, interpretations and policies of The Clearing Corporation as in effect from time to time. Further, each person desiring to clear Trades in USD Contracts (as defined in Chapter 9A of these Rules) must abide by the applicable rules of EurexUS and must be a member of EurexUS. An applicant for Participant status shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed to have no recourse against The Clearing Corporation in the event that its application to become a Participant is rejected.

- (b) Notwithstanding the termination of Participant status, a Person qualified as a Participant agrees to be responsible for any violation of the Rules, interpretations and policies of The Clearing Corporation committed by such Person while a Participant and agrees to have any disputes which arise while a Participant which relate to or arise out of any transaction with The Clearing Corporation or status of a Participant in The Clearing Corporation resolved in accordance with the Rules.

203. Restriction on Activity.

The failure to continue to comply with the conditions of the Rules may subject a Participant to a suspension or revocation of clearing privileges. In addition, or in the alternative, and in either case in its sole discretion, The Clearing Corporation shall be authorized: (a) to impose such additional capital, Margin or other requirements as it shall deem appropriate for the protection of The Clearing Corporation and its Participants; (b) to allow such Participant to submit Trades solely for the Participant's own account; (c) to allow such Participant to submit Trades for liquidation only; (d) to limit or restrict the type of Contracts that may be cleared by such Participant in any of its accounts with The Clearing Corporation; or (e) to limit or restrict the number of Contracts that are permitted to be maintained by such Participant in any of its accounts with The Clearing Corporation.

204. Financial Statements of Participants.

Each Participant shall submit statements of its financial condition at such times and in such manner as shall be prescribed from time to time.

205. Parent Guarantee.

- (a) A Participant that is organized as a corporation, the majority of whose outstanding capital stock is owned or controlled by another corporation or by a partnership or limited liability company, shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if its controlling parent organization or individuals with a significant ownership interest guarantee the Participant's obligations relating to Contracts. For purposes of this paragraph, stock of a corporate applicant or Participant which is owned or controlled by an officer, stockholder, or partner of another organization will be considered owned or controlled by such other organization. The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.
- (b) A partnership whose partners include one or more other partnerships, corporations

or limited liability companies shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if all of its partners are general partners. The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.

- (c) A limited liability company, the majority of whose membership interests are owned or controlled by another limited liability company or by a corporation or partnership, shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if its controlling parent organization or individuals with a significant ownership interest guarantee the Participant's obligations relating to Contracts. For purposes of this paragraph, membership interests which are owned or controlled by a manager, managing Participant, an officer, shareholder or partner of another organization will be considered owned or controlled by such other organization. The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The guarantee of a Participant's obligations required by this Rule shall, unless otherwise provided in particular cases, be applicable only to Trades made for a proprietary account (as such term is defined in Commission Regulation 1.3(y)) or other non-customer accounts of the Participant.

206. Common Owner Guarantee.

- (a) No more than one Participant shall be owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the same Person unless:
 - (i) Each such Participant consents to the use by The Clearing Corporation of any and all assets of the Participant in the possession of The Clearing Corporation or under its control to satisfy the obligations of all such commonly owned or controlled Participant to The Clearing Corporation;
 - (ii) Each such Participant guarantees to The Clearing Corporation all obligations of all such commonly owned or controlled Participants, including, without limitation, obligations arising out of house and customer account positions maintained by The Clearing Corporation; and
 - (iii) Each such Participant irrevocably consents to its immediate suspension or expulsion from its status as a Participant should it fail timely and fully to honor its guarantee of the obligations of such commonly owned or controlled Participants or should such a commonly owned or controlled Participant fail to honor its guarantee of such Participant.
- (b) The Clearing Corporation may grant exemptions from the requirements of this Rule 206 for good cause shown if it determines that such exemptions will not jeopardize the financial integrity of The Clearing Corporation.

207. Notices Required of Participants.

- (a) Each Participant shall immediately notify The Clearing Corporation, orally and in writing, of:
 - (i) Any material adverse change in the Participant's financial condition including, but not limited to, a decline in net capital or, with respect to Participants that are not registered with the Commission as futures commission merchants, net worth equal of 20% or more, or if such Participant knows or has reason to believe that its adjusted net capital has fallen below The Clearing Corporation's minimum capital requirements;
 - (ii) Any proposed material reduction (and, in all cases, if the reduction is 30% or more) in the Participant's operating capital, including the incurrence of a contingent liability which would materially affect the Participant's capital or other representations contained in the latest financial statement submitted to The Clearing Corporation should such liability become fixed; provided, that any such reduction in operating capital shall not be effected by the Participant if The Clearing Corporation specifically objects thereto, in writing, within thirty days after receipt of written notice thereof;
 - (iii) Any refusal of admission to, withdrawal of any application for membership in, any suspension, expulsion, bar, fine, censure, denial of membership, registration or license, withdrawal of any application for registration, cease and desist order, temporary or permanent injunction, denial of trading privileges, or any other sanction or discipline through an adverse determination, voluntary settlement or otherwise, by the Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, any commodity or securities exchange, clearing organization, the National Futures Association, the National Association of Securities Dealers, any self-regulatory organization or other business or professional association;
 - (iv) The imposition of any restriction or limitation on the business conducted by the Participant on or with any securities or futures clearing organization or exchange (including, without limitation, any contract market, derivatives transaction facility, exempt board of trade, or other trading facility), other than restrictions or limitations imposed generally on all Participants of or participants in such clearing organization or exchange;
 - (v) Any failure by such Participant, or any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206) to perform any of its material contracts, obligations or agreements;

- (vi) Any determination that it, or any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206), will be unable to perform any of its material contracts, obligations or agreements;
 - (vii) The insolvency of such Participant, or of any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206);
 - (viii) The institution of any proceeding by or against the Participant, any affiliate of the Participant, or any Person with an ownership interest of greater than 5% in the Participant, under any provision of the bankruptcy laws of the United States, or under the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970, any other statute or equitable power of a court of like nature or purpose, in which such Participant or Person is designated as the bankrupt, debtor or equivalent, or a receiver is appointed or if a receiver, trustee or similar official is appointed for the Participant, such Person, or its or their property;
 - (ix) The receipt by such Participant, or the filing by such Participant with a self-regulatory organization, of a notice of material inadequacy; and
 - (x) The receipt by such Participant from its independent auditors of an audit opinion that is not unqualified.
- (b) Each Participant shall promptly provide written notice to The Clearing Corporation of:
- (i) Any changes in its name, business address, its telephone or facsimile number, electronic mail address, or any number or access code for any electronic communication device used by it to communicate with The Clearing Corporation;
 - (ii) Any proposed change in the organizational or ownership structure or management of a Participant; and
 - (iii) Any transfer, offer to transfer, or termination of an Exchange Market membership, where such membership has been designated under the rules of such Exchange Market for the benefit of the Participant.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 As used in paragraph (a)(i), the term “net capital” means the greatest of: (a) the minimum net capital requirement established by The Clearing Corporation for such Participant; (b) with respect to a Participant that is a registered futures commission merchant, adjusted net capital as provided in Commission Regulation 1.17; and, (c) with respect to a Participant that is a registered broker-dealer, excess adjusted net capital as provided in Securities and Exchange

Commission Regulation 15c3-1.

208. Exchange Membership.

The Clearing Corporation may decline or restrict the ability of a Participant to clear Trades made on any Exchange where such Participant is not admitted to the privileges of membership or is not approved by such Exchange Market to clear Trades made on or subject to the rules of such Exchange Market.

209. Termination of Participant Status.

- (a) Upon the occurrence of a Termination Event (as defined herein), The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon a Participant or terminate the status of the Participant. In such circumstances, The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, (i) decline to accept new Trades, (ii) cause open Contracts to be transferred to another clearing organization designated by the Market, with such security against claims and liabilities as The Clearing Corporation shall deem necessary for its protection, (iii) permit Trades to be tendered for liquidation only, (iv) cause open Contracts to be settled in cash or liquidated in the open market, and (v) otherwise take or omit to take such actions, or any combination thereof, as it deems necessary or appropriate in the circumstances.
- (b) As used herein, "Termination Event" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
 - (i) The expiration or termination of the agreement for clearing services between The Clearing Corporation and the relevant Market;
 - (ii) The expiration or termination of the agreement between the Participant and The Clearing Corporation;
 - (iii) A representation or warranty made by the Participant to The Clearing Corporation under or in connection with any agreement between The Clearing Corporation and the Participant shall be false or misleading in any material respect as of the date on which made;
 - (iv) The breach by the Participant of the Rules or any of the terms or provisions of any agreement between The Clearing Corporation and the Participant which is not remedied promptly after notice from The Clearing Corporation; or
 - (v) The Participant is in Default.

3. CLEARING OF CONTRACTS

301. Effect of Clearance.

Trades submitted for clearance by or for the account of a Participant shall be submitted to The Clearing Corporation as required by the Rules and the rules of the Market, and if The Clearing Corporation accepts the same, as provided in Rule 310, the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought such Contract from The Clearing Corporation and the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold such Contract to The Clearing Corporation. Upon such substitution, such buyers and sellers shall be released from their obligations to each other, and The Clearing Corporation shall be deemed to have succeeded to all the rights, and to have assumed all the obligations, of the original parties to such contracts, to the extent provided in these Rules.

302. Tender of Trades.

The filing of a Trade confirmation by or on behalf of a Participant, as hereinafter provided, shall be deemed a tender to The Clearing Corporation for clearance of the Trade listed on such confirmation. These Rules shall constitute part of the terms of each Contract tendered to The Clearing Corporation.

303. Adjustments.

- (a) Where a Futures Contract is cleared and the contract price is less than the Settlement Price of the day, the selling Participant shall pay to The Clearing Corporation and the buying Participant shall receive from The Clearing Corporation the difference between the value of the Futures Contract based upon the Settlement Price of the day and the contract price, in accordance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation. In like manner, if the contract price of a Futures Contract is more than the Settlement Price of the day, the buying Participant shall pay to The Clearing Corporation, and the selling Participant shall receive from The Clearing Corporation, the difference between the value of the Futures Contract based upon the Settlement Price of the day and the Contract price, in accordance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation.
- (b) Such payments shall be at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation. Thereupon, the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold such Futures Contract to The Clearing Corporation, and the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought such Futures Contract from The Clearing Corporation, in each case at the Settlement Price of the day. Thereafter, from day to day, to the extent such transaction remains open, similar payments shall be made to bring the Trade to the Settlement Price of that day, and after such payments have been made, the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought, and the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold, such Futures Contract to The Clearing Corporation at the Settlement Price of such day.

304. Offsets.

Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, a Participant has bought from The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given Futures Contract for a particular delivery, and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same Futures Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction, except as provided in Rule 311, and except with respect to Options. In like manner, where a Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given Futures Contract for a particular delivery, and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same Futures Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction, except as provided in Rule 311, and except with respect to Options. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions, and shall be under no further liability to receive or make delivery with respect thereto. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

305. Trade Confirmations.

Each Business Day, the exact hours as from time to time fixed by The Clearing Corporation, Participants shall file with The Clearing Corporation confirmations, in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation (which, in the case of electronic trading systems that submit matched trades to The Clearing Corporation, shall be satisfied by confirming reports automatically generated by such system that contain the information set forth herein), covering Trades made during the day (including scratch Trades) showing for each Trade (a) the identity of both Participants, (b) whether bought or sold, (c) the quantity involved, (d) the delivery month, (e) the Contract expiration and series involved, (f) the price and/or premium, (g) whether for house, customer, non-customer or floor trader account, and (h) such other information as may be required by The Clearing Corporation to effect the matching of Trades between the buyer and the seller.

306. Disagreement in Trade Confirmations.

If a Trade confirmation of any Participant shall not correspond in all material respects with the confirmation of the other party to such Trade, The Clearing Corporation may reject such Trade and notify both Participants, setting forth the basis of such objection.

307. Statement of Trades and Positions.

The Clearing Corporation shall make available to a Participant a statement of Trades and positions for each Business Day on which such Participant has Trades to be cleared or a position open with The Clearing Corporation. Such statement shall show the amounts the Participant shall pay to or receive from The Clearing Corporation under Rule 303 and the amount of premium the Participant shall pay to or receive from The Clearing Corporation, in all cases at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation.

308. Daily Variation Settlements.

If the statement of Trades and positions made available to a Participant under Rule 307 shows a net balance in favor of The Clearing Corporation, the Participant shall, at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation, pay such net balance to The Clearing Corporation. Payment will be considered made hereunder only if made in a manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation and results in immediate credit to the account of The Clearing Corporation. If such statement shows a net balance in favor of the Participant, The Clearing Corporation shall promptly pay, at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation, the amount of such net balance to the Participant.

309. Statement of Original Margins and Premiums.

At the time a statement of the Participant's Trades and positions is made available pursuant to Rule 307, The Clearing Corporation shall also make available a statement showing original Margins and Option premiums deposited by the Participant, the amount of such Margins and premiums required by The Clearing Corporation, and the Participant's net surplus of, or deficit in, such Margins and premiums.

310. Acceptance of Trades by Clearing Corporation.

The Clearing Corporation shall accept no Trades for clearance except for the account of its Participants. A Trade, except a Transfer Trade, is accepted upon either The Clearing Corporation's receipt and acknowledgment of a matched Trade or matching of Trade confirmations. A Transfer Trade is accepted upon receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to the Transfer Trade. Issuance by The Clearing Corporation, to a Participant, of a statement of Trades and positions as provided in Rule 307 shall constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement, except Transfer Trades, have been accepted by The Clearing Corporation.

311. Trades for Customers.

Where a Participant clears a Trade for a customer, whether a member or non-member of an Exchange Market, the Participant becomes liable to The Clearing Corporation and The Clearing Corporation liable to the Participant on such Trade in the same manner and to the same extent as if the Trade were for the account of the Participant; provided, however, that Trades made on or subject to the rules of an Exchange Market and designated by the Participant as for the Participant's customer shall not be offset under Rule 304 against Trades designated by the Participant as for the Participant's own account.

312. Separate Accounts.

A Participant required by law to segregate a particular class of transactions with The Clearing Corporation shall maintain a separate account for that purpose (the "separate

account”). When appropriately so designated by the Participant, the separate account shall be treated as to Margins, Option premiums, daily variation settlements, deliveries and all other operations as though it were the account of a different Participant except that, (a) excess funds in any other account of the Participant may be allocated by The Clearing Corporation to the separate account to the extent necessary to meet applicable Margin and variation deposit requirements of these Rules, and (b) if the Participant is in Default under Rule 605 as to any account maintained by the Participant with The Clearing Corporation or for any reason ceases to be a Participant, the open Trades in all such accounts may be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved and the deficit, if any, in the separate account applied against the balance in any other account of the Participant. The Clearing Corporation shall maintain all funds held in the separate accounts in accordance with relevant provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission regulations.

313. Records.

Participants shall keep permanent records showing, with respect to each purchase or sale, the names of both Participants, the Futures Contract, Option series, quantity, date, price, delivery or expiration month, the name or account identifier of the customer for whom the Trade was made and such other information as may be required by law, regulation, or by The Clearing Corporation. Such permanent records shall be retained for at least five years, either in original form or in such other form as The Clearing Corporation may from time to time authorize, and shall be deemed the joint property of The Clearing Corporation and the Participant keeping such records. The Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to inspect or take temporary possession of such records at any time upon demand.

314. Reporting.

Participants shall make reports of their positions at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation.

315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of The Clearing Corporation upon Contracts in accordance with these Rules, **but in no event shall the amount of such liability exceed the amount on deposit in the General Guaranty Fund.** The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant or obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of a Participant.

316. Non-Acceptance of Trades.

In case of the non-acceptance of the Trades of any Participant, The Clearing Corporation shall be deemed to have incurred no obligations respecting the Trades that are not so accepted. It shall be incumbent upon the Participants who are parties to any such Trades to take such steps as the Participants may deem necessary or proper for such Participants' own protection.

317. Authority of President.

Without limitation of any authority conferred by the Certificate of Incorporation, the Bylaws, other provisions of these Rules, or resolutions of the Board or any committee of the Board, the President is authorized, should he deem it necessary or advisable, to take such action as he deems necessary or appropriate for the protection of The Clearing Corporation. The President may take such action pending a meeting of the Board or committee of the Board, but shall modify or rescind such action if so instructed by the Board or such committee.

4. MARGIN AND SETTLEMENTS

401. Clearing Corporation Lien.

Each Participant agrees that The Clearing Corporation shall have a first lien and security interest on all Margin, Option premiums, Trades, positions and other property held in or for the accounts of such Participant as security for all obligations of such Participant to The Clearing Corporation.

402. Original Margin.

- (a) Margin deposits, other than variation deposits, shall be known as original Margin. The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect The Clearing Corporation on Trades in Contracts.
- (b) Original Margin shall be deposited in the manner prescribed in Rules 405 and 406. Upon performance or closing out of contracts thus secured, the original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of The Clearing Corporation. Margin calls shall ordinarily be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin.

403. Variation Deposits.

Margin called by reason of market fluctuations shall be known as variation deposits and shall be paid to The Clearing Corporation on demand in the manner prescribed by Rule 308. Variation deposits shall be deemed payments on account of Trades and positions for that Business Day and shall be reflected on statements of Trades and positions for that day. The Clearing Corporation require additional variation deposits at any time to the extent of market fluctuations.

404. Settlement Price.

- (a) The Settlement Price for each open Exchange Contract shall be the price recommended for such Contract by the relevant Exchange Market as determined pursuant to the rules of such Exchange Market.

- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by The Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of The Clearing Corporation and Participants, The Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any Contract at a price deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When The Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of this paragraph, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.

405. Cash Margin Deposits.

If the statement of original Margins furnished to a Participant under Rule 309 shows a deficit in original Margins, such Participant shall, at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation, pay an amount in U.S. Dollars, or foreign currency acceptable to The Clearing Corporation, sufficient to cover such deficit to The Clearing Corporation. Payment will be considered made hereunder only if made in a manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation and if such payment results in immediate credit to the account of The Clearing Corporation.

406. Non-Cash Margin Deposits.

In lieu of maintaining original Margins in cash, as provided for in Rule 405, Participants may deposit such types of collateral as may be approved by The Clearing Corporation.

When a Participant is in default, all non-cash Margins may be converted to cash or otherwise transferred by The Clearing Corporation for the account of the Participant or its customers.

407. Option Premiums.

Participants shall deposit Option premiums with The Clearing Corporation at the time and in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation.

5. DELIVERIES

501. Delivery Notices.

A selling Participant obligated or desiring to make delivery of a Commodity shall issue and deliver to The Clearing Corporation a delivery notice containing the name and business address of the issuer of such notice; the date of issue; the date of delivery; the name of such Commodity; the total contracted quantity in satisfaction of which the delivery is being tendered; and such other information as The Clearing Corporation shall require. Delivery notices shall be furnished to The Clearing Corporation electronically in such form as may be specified by The Clearing Corporation.

The Clearing Corporation shall assign deliveries to Participants having Contracts to take delivery, for their own account or for one or more customers, of the same or lesser amount of the same Commodity. The Clearing Corporation shall notify such Participants of the deliveries that have been assigned to them and shall furnish to the Participant issuer of a delivery notice the name of the Participant obligated to accept delivery and the number of contracts for which such buying Participant is obligated. Participants receiving delivery notices shall assign delivery to the oldest open contracts on their books at the close of business on the previous day.

502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery.

Issuance of a notice of intention to deliver by a Participant to The Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer by such Participant to sell to The Clearing Corporation the specified quantity of the Commodity involved, at the delivery price, and to purchase from The Clearing Corporation the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such notice by The Clearing Corporation shall constitute its acceptance of the Participant's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made according to the Rules of The Clearing Corporation, and, to the extent not specified herein, to the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market.

Assignment of delivery to a Participant by The Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer of The Clearing Corporation to sell to such Participant the specified quantity of the Commodity involved, at the delivery price, and to purchase from such Participant the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such assignment of delivery by such Participant shall constitute his acceptance of The Clearing Corporation's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made pursuant to these Rules, and, to the extent not specified herein, the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market.

The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time delivery is required to be made, consider the corresponding sales to such assigned buyers made hereunder as having been settled and shall apply the opposing repurchase made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective

Participants' futures positions with The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

503. Delivery Price.

All deliveries on Futures Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price of the day preceding the day of issuance of notice of intention to deliver, or at the price required in the contract terms and conditions, if such terms and conditions require a different price. The statement of Trades and positions specified in Rule 307 will reflect futures positions closed by delivery and the amount of final adjustment bringing delivery prices to Settlement Prices of the day of notice.

504. Posting of Deliveries.

During each delivery month, The Clearing Corporation shall cause to be posted, not later than the Business Day following the filing of notices of intention to deliver, the name of each Participant issuing notices of intention to deliver on Futures Contracts and the total amount of each Commodity tendered by such Participant for delivery, together with the name of each Participant to which such deliveries have been assigned and the total amount of each Commodity assigned to such Participant.

505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) If a Participant fails to fulfill its delivery obligations as prescribed in these Rules, The Clearing Corporation's sole obligation shall be to pay reasonable damages proximately caused by the Default, but in no event shall The Clearing Corporation be obligated to: (i) pay any damages greater than the difference of the delivery price of the specific Commodity and the reasonable market price of such Commodity at the time delivery is required to be made in accordance with and the Rules of The Clearing Corporation and, to the extent not specified herein, the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market; (ii) make or accept delivery of the Commodity; (iii) pay any damages relating to the accuracy, genuineness, completeness, or acceptability of certificates, instruments, warehouse receipts or other similar documents; or (iv) pay any damages relating to the failure or insolvency of banks, custodians, escrow agents, depositories, warehouses, or similar entities that may be involved with a delivery.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, The Clearing Corporation has no obligation or liability to any Participant or any other Person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation unless it is notified by the non-defaulting Participant of such failure as soon as possible, but in no event later than sixty minutes after the time the delivery obligation was to have been discharged in accordance with the Rules of The Clearing Corporation and, to the extent not specified herein, the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market.
- (c) If a buying Participant fails to effect payment to its assigned seller by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the selling Participant shall immediately notify The

Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether the failure of the buying Participant to effect such payment was technical in nature and is likely to be remedied or whether the such buying Participant's failure to effect payment constitutes a delivery default. If The Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that the failure was technical in nature (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the buying Participant will be allowed to make payment subsequent to 1:00 p.m. (but in no event later than the time, if any, specified by The Clearing Corporation). If The Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that such failure constitutes a delivery default, The Clearing Corporation will instruct the selling Participant to sell the invoiced securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting buying Participant will in such circumstances be liable for the amount, if any, that the reasonable sale price of the invoiced securities (including costs) is less than the original invoiced amount.

- (d) If a selling Participant fails to effect delivery to its assigned buyer by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the buying Participant shall immediately notify The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether such failure to effect delivery is technical in nature and is likely to be remedied or whether such failure to effect delivery constitutes a delivery default. If The Clearing Corporation determines that such failure was technical in nature (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the selling Participant will be allowed to make delivery subsequent to 1:00 p.m. (but in no event later than the time, if any, specified by The Clearing Corporation). If The Clearing Corporation determines that the failure constitutes a delivery default, The Clearing Corporation will instruct the buying Participant to purchase substitute deliverable securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting selling Participant will in such circumstances be liable for the reasonable damages (including costs) incurred by the buying Participant relating to the purchase of the substitute securities.
- (e) Delivery obligations of a Participant to another Participant that are not discharged timely (as provided in paragraphs (c) and (d)) and in full by the Participant shall thereupon be deemed an obligation of such Participant to The Clearing Corporation. The defaulting Participant's obligations to The Clearing Corporation must be discharged by (i) not later than sixty minutes after the time such obligations originally were required to be discharged to the non-defaulting Participant, or (ii) such later time as may be established by The Clearing Corporation pursuant to paragraph (c) and (d).
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Rules to the contrary, The Clearing Corporation's delivery obligations to a non-defaulting buying or selling Participant shall in all cases be subject to the provisions of Rule 505(a) and Chapter 8 hereof.
- (g) Any claim for damages or other dispute relating to a delivery failure or default brought by one Participant against another shall be resolved by such Participants pursuant to binding arbitration before the National Futures Association ("NFA"). Failure by a Participant to comply with the NFA's determination may result in the

suspension of the Participant's clearing privileges at The Clearing Corporation or such other or additional penalty (including, but not limited to assessment of fines and charges) as The Clearing Corporation may deem appropriate under the circumstances.

506. Assignment of Exercises of Options.

Upon receipt of notices of intention to exercise Options cleared through The Clearing Corporation, issued by buyers in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market, The Clearing Corporation shall assign such exercises to eligible sellers in accordance with such rules and regulations. The Clearing Corporation shall promptly notify selling Participants as to the exercises assigned to them and shall furnish to buying Participants the names of selling Participants obligated to accept such assignments. Delivery and payment shall be made in the time and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market.

Any Option not exercised by the date and time fixed for expiration of the Option in the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market shall not be exercisable.

507. Exercise Price.

All Option exercises shall be made at the strike price of the Option. The statement of Trades and positions issued pursuant to Rule 307 will reflect the offsetting of each Option that was exercised and assigned, Trades and positions in Futures Contracts resulting therefrom, and the amount of the final adjustment (being the strike price marked to the Settlement Price on the day the Option was exercised).

508. Deliveries in the Event of Bankruptcy.

- (a) This Rule shall be applicable to Contracts made on or through the facilities of an Exchange Market as and to the extent such Exchange Market has in effect one or more rules (each, a "Bankruptcy Delivery Rule") adopted in accordance with Commission Regulation 190.05(b).
- (b) If any customer of a Participant that is a debtor shall wish to make or take delivery under a Futures Contract as provided in a Bankruptcy Delivery Rule, such customer shall deliver written notification thereof to The Clearing Corporation not later than noon on the second Business Day, which Business Day must be within the current delivery period, following the date of the entry of the order for relief with respect to such debtor, whereupon such customer shall assume all of the obligations of the debtor to The Clearing Corporation and the opposite Participant with respect to such Futures Contract.
 - (i) If such customer is seeking to make delivery in fulfillment of such Futures Contract, such notification shall be accompanied by:
 - (A) evidence, satisfactory to The Clearing Corporation, that the

debtor, on behalf of the customer, or the customer, has presented a notice of delivery to The Clearing Corporation; and

- (B) evidence verifying to The Clearing Corporation that the customer owns and has in its possession or under its control, such certificates, instruments, warehouse receipts or other documents as are required pursuant to the Rules and the Bankruptcy Delivery Rule to make delivery in fulfillment of such Contract.
- (ii) If such customer is seeking to take delivery in fulfillment of such futures Contract, such notification shall be accompanied by:
- (A) the notice of delivery which has been issued by The Clearing Corporation to the debtor and allocated by the debtor to the customer, and
 - (B) evidence verifying to The Clearing Corporation that the customer owns and has in its possession or under its control a certified check, drawn on an approved depository bank and made payable to the order of the opposite Participant in the full amount payable on the delivery of the Contract.
- (c) The Clearing Corporation shall provide to the opposite Participant copies of all information provided to The Clearing Corporation pursuant to paragraph (b) above, provided, however, that The Clearing Corporation shall have no responsibility to investigate or otherwise verify the accuracy, genuineness or completeness of any certificate, instrument, warehouse receipt or other document or check delivered to or by The Clearing Corporation pursuant to the Bankruptcy Delivery Rule and this Rule and shall, in no event, have any liability for the quantity or quality of the commodity or other interest delivered.

509. Cash Settlement.

After trading ceases on the last day of trading for Futures Contracts without physical delivery, The Clearing Corporation shall consider the maintenance of an open position by a Participant to constitute an offer to sell to or an offer to purchase from The Clearing Corporation the specific quantity of the Futures Contract involved at the Settlement Price determined for such Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such contracts.

The Clearing Corporation shall, once trading in such Futures Contracts has terminated pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market, consider the corresponding sales or purchases made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' positions in Futures Contracts with The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

601. Emergencies.

- (a) The Board, upon the affirmative vote of the Directors voting at a meeting where a quorum is deemed present, may adopt an emergency resolution which shall supersede and supplant all contrary or inconsistent resolutions or Rules. Absent extraordinary circumstances, a Director who has a substantial financial interest in the outcome of such a vote shall abstain from deliberating and voting on the matter in question.
- (b) An emergency resolution shall expire upon the happening of either of the following events: (i) the Board shall have voted to rescind the emergency resolution; or (ii) 90 days shall have elapsed since the emergency resolution was adopted.
- (c) All Trades, all accounts and positions with The Clearing Corporation, and all Participants shall be subject to the exercise of these emergency powers by the Board.
- (d) As used herein, the term “emergency” shall include without limitation all emergency circumstances now or hereafter referenced in the Commodity Exchange Act and the Regulations of the Commission, and all other circumstances in which an emergency may lawfully be declared by the Board.
- (e) Except as otherwise stated in an emergency resolution adopted hereunder, the powers exercised by the Board under this Rule shall be in addition to and not in derogation of authority granted by the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws to a committee or officer of The Clearing Corporation to take action as specified therein.

602. Physical Emergencies.

In the event the physical functions of The Clearing Corporation are, or are threatened to be, severely and adversely affected by a physical emergency such as, but not limited to, fire or other casualty, bomb threats, substantial inclement weather, power failures, communications breakdowns or transportation breakdowns, the Chairman, a Vice Chairman or the President of The Clearing Corporation or, in their absence, another officer of The Clearing Corporation, is authorized to take such action as he or she shall deem necessary or appropriate to deal with such emergency.

603. Force Majeure.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, The Clearing Corporation shall not be obligated to perform its obligations under these Rules or any agreement with a Participant relating to Contracts, or to compensate any person for losses occasioned by any delay or failure of performance, to the extent such delay or failure is the result of acts of God,

lightning, earthquake, fire, epidemic, landslide, drought, hurricane, tornado, storm, explosion, flood, nuclear radiation, act of a public enemy or blockade, insurrection, riot or civil disturbance, strike or labor disturbance, or any other cause beyond The Clearing Corporation's reasonable control (whether or not similar to any of the foregoing).

If The Clearing Corporation shall, as a result of any of the above-described events, fail to perform any of its obligations, such failure shall be excused for a period equal to the period of delay caused by such event. In such an event, The Clearing Corporation shall give written notice thereof to the affected Market or such Participant, as the case may be, as soon as it is reasonably practicable and attempt diligently to remove such condition.

604. Suspension of Rules.

The time frames fixed by these Rules, interpretations or policies of The Clearing Corporation for the doing of any act or acts may be extended, or the doing of any act or acts required by these Rules or any interpretations or policies of The Clearing Corporation may be waived, and any provision of these Rules or any interpretations or policies of The Clearing Corporation may be suspended by the Board or by any officer of The Clearing Corporation having a rank of Vice President or higher whenever, in the judgment of the Board or such officer, such extension, waiver or suspension is necessary or expedient. Any such extension or waiver may continue in effect after the event or events giving rise thereto but shall not continue in effect for more than thirty calendar days after the date thereof unless it shall be approved by The Clearing Corporation within such period of thirty calendar days.

605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in Default (i) who fails to meet any of the Participant's obligations upon the Participant's Contracts with The Clearing Corporation, (ii) who fails to deposit Margin (whether original, special or variation) or premiums within one hour after demand by The Clearing Corporation, or (iii) who is suspended or expelled by a Market, or by The Clearing Corporation. Upon such Default, The Clearing Corporation may cause all open Trades of such Participant (whether or not carried in a separate account as provided in Rule 312) to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation and any debit balance owing to The Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, The Clearing Corporation shall have the right:
 - (i) With respect to open Trades in a separate account of such Participant provided for in Rule 312, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such account against (B) any amounts paid by

The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account and any other amounts owed to The Clearing Corporation as a result of transactions in the account or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the account;

- (ii) With respect to the open Trades in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such account, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of The Clearing Corporation other than property which has been identified by such Participant as required to be segregated as provided for in Rule 312, against (B) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in paragraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with The Clearing Corporation;
- (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
- (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as The Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
- (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liquidation and disposition of positions, Margin and other property subject to a cross-margin, cross-netting or common banking and settlement arrangement between The Clearing Corporation and another clearing organization shall be subject to the terms of the agreement between The Clearing Corporation and such other clearing organization.
- (d) Any obligation of The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of these Rules shall be subject to all the terms of the Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth herein. The rights of The Clearing Corporation set forth herein shall be in addition to other rights that The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of the Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

606. Fees; Fines and Charges.

- (a) Clearing fees and other charges for Clearing Corporation services shall be as fixed from time to time by The Clearing Corporation.
- (b) The President or his authorized representative may assess, in compliance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation, fines and charges against Participants for the failure to comply with these Rules or any other requirement of The Clearing Corporation.

607. Trading by Employees Prohibited.

- (a) No employee of The Clearing Corporation shall:
 - (i) trade or participate directly or indirectly in any transaction in any commodity interest, except to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of Rule 605 or as otherwise permitted pursuant to an exemption granted in accordance with this Rule; or
 - (ii) disclose any material, non-public information obtained as a result of such Person's employment with The Clearing Corporation where the employee has or should have a reasonable expectation that the information disclosed may assist another Person in trading any commodity interest; provided, that an employee is not prohibited from making disclosures in the course of the employee's duties, or to another self-regulatory organization, linked exchange, court of competent jurisdiction or representative of any agency or department of the federal or state government acting in his or her official capacity.

- (b) From time to time, The Clearing Corporation may adopt additional Rules which set forth circumstances under which exemptions from the trading prohibition contained in paragraph (a)(i) will be granted. The effectiveness of such rules and the procedures for administration of such rules shall be governed by applicable regulations of the Commission.
- (c) All terms used in this Rule shall be construed consistently with the definitions appearing in Commission Regulation 1.59.

608. Forms; Transmission of Data to The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) In connection with any transaction or matter handled through, with or by The Clearing Corporation under or pursuant to the Rules, the form of any required list, notice or other document shall be as from time to time prescribed by The Clearing Corporation, and additions to, changes in and elimination of any such forms may be made by The Clearing Corporation at any time in its discretion.
- (b) A Participant may execute any document to be delivered to The Clearing Corporation or to any other Participant pursuant to these Rules by means of a mechanically or electronically reproduced facsimile signature of a representative of the Participant; provided, that the Participant shall have complied with such requirements as may be prescribed by The Clearing Corporation in connection with the use of such facsimile signatures.

609. Just and Equitable Principles of Trade; Acts Detrimental to the Interest or Welfare of The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall have the power to suspend or revoke clearing privileges or authorize the assessment of fines or charges against Participants for engaging in conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.
- (b) The Clearing Corporation shall have the power to suspend or revoke clearing privileges or authorize the assessment of fines or charges against Participants for engaging in acts detrimental to the interest or welfare of The Clearing Corporation.

610. Death, Disappearance or Incapacity of Individual Participant.

- (a) Upon the death, disappearance or incapacity (all as reasonably determined by The Clearing Corporation) of an Individual Participant, The Clearing Corporation may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation and any debit balance owing to The Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of an Individual Participant as provided in paragraph (a), The Clearing Corporation shall have the

right, with respect to any account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such account, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of The Clearing Corporation, against (B) (i) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in connection with the disposition of such open Trades, including any losses, commissions or other expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account, and (ii) any other obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation.

- (c) Any obligation of The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of these Rules shall be subject to all the terms of these Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth herein. The rights of The Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of the Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source. The Clearing Corporation shall be authorized to take all such actions under this Rule as The Clearing Corporation in its sole discretion determines is appropriate or necessary under the circumstances.

611. Construction in Accordance with Illinois Law.

The Rules of The Clearing Corporation, and all rights and obligations thereunder, shall be construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Illinois, without giving effect to the conflict of law provisions thereof.

7. [RESERVED]

8. GUARANTY FUND

801. General Guaranty Fund.

- (a) *Collateral Requirements.* Each Participant shall make, and maintain so long as it is a Participant, a deposit or deposits of Collateral to the General Guaranty Fund in the form and in such amounts as may be determined by The Clearing Corporation from time to time in its sole discretion (“Required Contribution”). The Clearing Corporation shall cause appropriate entries to be made in its books and records to reflect the deposit of Collateral into the General Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole right to withdraw cash, securities or other property from, and to authorize the sale or other disposition of any securities or other property held in, the General Guaranty Fund.

- (b) *Participant Default; Application of Proceeds.* If a Participant is in Default and, as a result thereof, The Clearing Corporation suffers any loss or expense upon any liquidation or other disposition of a Participant’s open Contracts, or a Participant shall fail to make any other payment or render any other performance required under these Rules, then The Clearing Corporation shall (after appropriate application of Margin posted by such Participant and other funds in or payable to the accounts of the Participant) apply the Participant’s contributions to the General Guaranty Fund, in the manner and in the order of priority set forth below:
 - (i) **FIRST:** To the payment of the costs and expenses of any sale, collection or other realization of such Margin or Collateral, including, without limitation, fees and expenses of counsel, and all reasonable expenses, liabilities and advances made or incurred by The Clearing Corporation in connection therewith;
 - (ii) **SECOND:** To the satisfaction of any deficiencies in the customer segregated fund account (if any) maintained by such Participant pursuant to rules of the Commission resulting, caused by or arising, directly or indirectly, from such Default;
 - (iii) **THIRD:** To the payment of any other obligations of such Participant to The Clearing Corporation (such other obligations, together with the costs and expenses, and deficiencies described in paragraphs (i) and (ii), the “Reimbursement Obligations”);
 - (iv) **FOURTH:** To the payment of any other Obligations; and
 - (v) **FIFTH:** To or upon the order of the Participant that is in Default, to The Clearing Corporation or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same (including, without limitation, any insurer, surety or guarantor of the obligations of The Clearing Corporation) or as a court of competent

jurisdiction may direct, of any surplus then remaining from such Proceeds.

- (c) *Application of General Guaranty Fund; Other Funding.* If the Margin and other funds of a Participant that is in Default and its contributions to the General Guaranty Fund are insufficient to discharge in full the Reimbursement Obligations of such Participant, any remaining deficiency shall be charged against the remaining assets in the General Guaranty Fund, pro rata from each other Participant's contributions.

Any such deficiency shall remain a liability of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation, which it may collect from any other assets of such Participant or by legal process.

- (d) *Reimbursement of Collateral.* The Clearing Corporation shall notify Participants whenever an amount is paid out of the General Guaranty Fund to meet Obligations to The Clearing Corporation as provided in paragraphs (b) or (c) above. If Collateral is withdrawn from the General Guaranty Fund pursuant to paragraph (c) and, as a result, the amount of Collateral credited to a Participant is less than the amount it was required to maintain pursuant to paragraph (a) immediately prior to such withdrawal, the Participant shall deposit additional Collateral into the General Guaranty Fund in an amount at least sufficient to restore that Participant's Required Contribution. All such additional Collateral shall be deposited prior to The Clearing Corporation's opening of business on the third Business Day following such notice or such later time as The Clearing Corporation shall determine in its sole discretion. A Participant that fails to deposit the full amount of such additional Collateral shall be in Default, and The Clearing Corporation may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, debit such Participant's house margin account for any or all or such unpaid amount and assess fines and charges against such Participant as provided in Rule 606.
- (e) *Lien.* As security for any and all Obligations of a Participant to The Clearing Corporation, including, but not limited to, the Reimbursement Obligations, each Participant grants The Clearing Corporation a first priority perfected security interest in the Participant's Collateral. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, all outstanding shares of Class A common stock of The Clearing Corporation shall be Collateral deposited in the General Guaranty Fund and subject to the foregoing grant of security interest until the same shall have been released in accordance with these Rules and the policies and practices of The Clearing Corporation (including, but not limited to, release of such stock upon substitution of acceptable alternative collateral of equivalent value.)
- (f) *Non-Interference.* A Participant shall take no action, including but not limited to attempting to obtain a court order, that could interfere with the ability of The Clearing Corporation to apply its Margin, Collateral or other assets.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 As used in this Rule 801, "Participant" includes a Participant that has been suspended or expelled by The Clearing Corporation or whose privileges in respect of Trades and Contracts have been restricted pursuant to Rule 403.
- .02 The General Guaranty Fund is solely in respect of applicable Contracts traded on EurexUS

802. Special Guaranty Funds.

- (a) *Collateral Requirements.* The Clearing Corporation may from time to time require Participants who desire to clear Contracts traded on Markets other than EurexUS to provide Collateral for deposit into one or more Special Guaranty Funds. All such Collateral shall be in the form and in such amounts as may be determined by The Clearing Corporation from time to time in its sole discretion ("Required Special Contribution"). The Clearing Corporation shall cause appropriate entries to be made in its books and records to reflect the deposit of Collateral into each such Special Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole right to withdraw cash, securities or other property from, and to authorize the sale or other disposition of any securities or other property held in, a Special Guaranty Fund.
- (b) *Participants Default; Application of Proceeds.* If a Participant is in Default and, as a result thereof, The Clearing Corporation suffers any loss or expense upon any liquidation or other disposition of a Participant's open Contracts, or a Participant shall fail to make any other payment or render any other performance required under these Rules, then The Clearing Corporation shall (after appropriate application of Margin posted by such Participant and other funds in or payable to the accounts of the Participant) apply the Participant's contributions to the Special Guaranty Fund established in respect of each Market as to which the Participant is in Default, in the manner and in the order of priority set forth below:
 - (i) **FIRST:** To the payment of the costs and expenses of any sale, collection or other realization of such Margin or Collateral, including, without limitation, fees and expenses of counsel, and all reasonable expenses, liabilities and advances made or incurred by The Clearing Corporation in connection therewith;
 - (ii) **SECOND:** To the satisfaction of any deficiencies in the customer segregated fund account maintained by Participants pursuant to the rules of the Commission resulting, caused by or arising, directly or indirectly, from such Default;
 - (iii) **THIRD:** To the payment of any other obligations of such Participant to The Clearing Corporation (such other obligations, together with the costs and expenses, and deficiencies described in paragraphs (i) and (ii), the

“Special Reimbursement Obligations”);

- (iv) FOURTH: To the payment of any other Obligations; and
 - (v) FIFTH: To or upon the order of the Participant that is in Default, to The Clearing Corporation or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same (including, without limitation, any insurer, surety or guarantor of the obligations of The Clearing Corporation) or as a court of competent jurisdiction may direct, of any surplus then remaining from such Proceeds.
- (c) *Application of Special Guaranty Funds; Other Funding.* If the Margin and other funds of a Participant that is in Default and its contributions to a Special Guaranty Fund are insufficient to discharge in full the Special Reimbursement Obligations of such Participant, any remaining deficiency shall be charged against the remaining assets in such Special Guaranty Fund(s), ratably, in proportion to the amount of such Special Reimbursement Obligations that is, in the judgment of The Clearing Corporation, reasonably attributable to the Market(s) that are supported by the Special Guaranty Fund(s).
- Any such deficiency shall remain a liability of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation, which it may collect from any other assets of such Participant or by legal process.
- (d) *Reimbursement of Collateral.* The Clearing Corporation shall notify Participants authorized to clear Contracts for a Market whenever an amount is paid out of the Special Guaranty Fund for such Market to meet Obligations to The Clearing Corporation as provided in paragraphs (b) or (c) above. If Collateral is withdrawn from a Special Guaranty Fund pursuant to paragraph (c) and, as a result, the amount of Collateral credited to a Participant is less than such Participant’s Required Special Contribution, the Participant shall deposit additional Collateral into that Special Guaranty Fund in an amount such that the Participant’s total Collateral in that Special Guaranty Fund is at least equal to its Required Special Contribution. All such additional Collateral shall be deposited prior to The Clearing Corporation’s opening of business on the third Business Day following such assessment or such later time as The Clearing Corporation shall determine in its sole discretion. A Participant that fails to deposit the full amount of such additional Collateral shall be in Default and The Clearing Corporation, in addition to any other remedies that it may have, may assess fines and charges against such Participant as provided in Rule 606.
- (e) *Lien.* As security for any and all Obligations of a Participant to The Clearing Corporation, including but not limited to, the Special Reimbursement Obligations, each Participant grants to The Clearing Corporation a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.

- (f) *Non-Interference.* A Participant shall take no action, including but not limited to attempting to obtain a court order, that could interfere with the ability of The Clearing Corporation to apply its Margin, Collateral or other assets.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01** As used in this Rule 802, "Participant" includes a Participant that has been suspended or expelled by The Clearing Corporation or whose privileges in respect of Trades and Contracts have been restricted pursuant to Rule 403.
- .02** As used in this Rule 802, "Contract" means and includes only those Contracts identified in Interpretations and Policies .01(b) to the definition of the term "Exchange Market" and in Interpretations and Policies .01 (a), (b) and (c) to the definition of the term "OTC Market."

9. U.S. FUTURES EXCHANGE, L.L.C.

9A. U.S. FUTURES EXCHANGE, L.L.C. – U.S. Dollar Denominated Contracts

The Rules in this Chapter 9A apply to the settlement and clearance of USD Contracts (as defined herein) traded on or subject to the rules of EurexUS.

9-101A. Definitions.

Bank

A U.S. commercial bank (either Federal or State charter) that is a member of the Federal Reserve System and has capital, surplus and undivided earnings in excess of \$100,000,000.

Commodity

Any good, article, service, right or interest in which USD Contracts are dealt in.

Off-Order Book Trade

A Trade in USD Contracts, other than an On-Order Book Trade, that is matched bilaterally for the account of Participants outside the EurexUS central order book or that is generated by EurexUS for the account of Participants other than through the EurexUS central order book, such as exchanges of futures for physicals (basis trades), exchanges of futures for swaps, block trades, strategy trades, volatility trades, and reverse trades (canceling erroneous trades), but not including a Post-Trade Transaction.

On-Order Book Trade

A Trade in USD Contracts that is matched in the central order book of EurexUS.

Post-Trade Transaction

With respect to a transaction or position in a USD Contract, the transfer of positions by one or more Participants, a give-up or split-up, and such other trade and position management and similar instructions as may be authorized from time to time by The Clearing Corporation.

Range

A range, not greater than the highest trade price or less than the lowest trade price in the relevant USD Contract traded on EurexUS on the same Trading Day, in either case as increased or decreased by the amount(s) set forth in the rules of EurexUS.

USD Contract

Those Exchange Contracts denominated in U.S. Dollars and set forth in Interpretations and Policies .01(a) to the definition of "Exchange Markets" in Rule 101 with respect to EurexUS.

9-306A. Reserved.

9-310A. Acceptance of Trades by Clearing Corporation

In the case of all On-Order Book Trades, and Off-Order Book Trades falling within the Range, acceptance of the Trade occurs upon trade matching by the EurexUS trading system. In the case of Off-Order Book Trades falling outside the Range and all Post-Trade Transactions, acceptance shall occur upon receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to such Trades and Transactions.

9-510A. Report of Eligibility to Receive Delivery.

Prior to 8:00 p.m. (or by such other time as may be specified by The Clearing Corporation) of each day on which delivery notices may be delivered to The Clearing Corporation, each Participant shall report to The Clearing Corporation, at such times and in such manner as shall be prescribed by The Clearing Corporation, the amounts of its purchases of Commodities then eligible for delivery which remain open on its books in accordance with these Rules. Such reports shall show the dates on which such purchases were made, and shall exclude purchases to which the Participant has applied deliveries assigned to it but which remain open on its books pending receipt of delivery. With respect to omnibus accounts, the reports described above shall show the dates on which such purchases were made, as reflected on the ultimate customers' account statements.

9-511A. Payment.

Payment shall be made in Federal Funds. The buying Participant obligated to take delivery must take delivery and make payment before 1:00 p.m. on the day of delivery except as otherwise provided in Rule 9-515A and on banking holidays when delivery must be taken and payment made before 9:30 a.m. on the next banking business day. Adjustments for differences between contract prices and delivery prices established by The Clearing Corporation shall be made with The Clearing Corporation.

9-512A. Buyer's Banking Notification.

The buying Participant shall provide the selling Participant with notice, in such form as The Clearing Corporation may prescribe from time to time, setting forth: the identification number and name of the buying Participant; the delivery date; the notification number of the delivery assignment; the identification number and name of the selling Participant making delivery; the quantity of the Commodity being delivered; the buying Participant's bank and account number; and specific Federal Reserve wire instructions for the transfer of securities.

Such notice shall be provided by 4:00 p.m. on the Business Day immediately prior to delivery day or by such other time as may be designated by The Clearing Corporation.

9-513A. Standards.

The contract grade(s) for delivery on USD Contracts made under these Rules, together with any premiums or discounts applicable thereto, shall be as set forth in the rules of EurexUS.

9-514A. Deliveries on USD Contracts.

Deliveries against U.S. Treasury securities underlying USD Contracts shall be by book-entry transfer between accounts of Participants at Banks in accordance with Department of the Treasury Circular 300, Subpart O: Book-Entry Procedure. Delivery must be made no later than the last Business Day of the month. Notice of intention to deliver shall be given to The Clearing Corporation by 8:00 p.m., or by such other time designated by The Clearing Corporation, on the second Business Day preceding delivery day. If the buying Participant does not agree with the terms of the invoice received from the selling Participant, the buying Participant must notify the selling Participant, and the dispute must be settled by 9:30 a.m. on delivery day. The selling Participant must have contract grade U.S. Treasury securities in place at its Bank in a form acceptable to its Bank for delivery no later than 10:00 a.m. on delivery day. The selling Participant must notify its Bank to transfer contract grade U.S. Treasury securities by book-entry to the buying Participant's account at the buying Participant's Bank on a delivery versus payment basis. On delivery day, the buying Participant shall make funds available by 7:30 a.m. and notify its Bank to accept contract grade U.S. Treasury securities and to remit Federal Funds to the selling Participant's account at the selling Participant's Bank in payment for delivery therefor. Contract grade U.S. Treasury securities must be transferred and payment must be made before 1:00 p.m. on delivery day.

All deliveries shall be assigned by The Clearing Corporation. Where a Participant has an interest both long and short for customers on its own books, it must tender to The Clearing Corporation such notices of intention to deliver as it received from its customers who are short.

9-515A. Wire Failure.

If delivery cannot be accomplished because of a failure of the Federal Reserve wire or because of a failure of either the buying Participant's or the selling Participant's Bank to have access to the Federal Reserve wire, delivery shall be made before 9:30 a.m. on the next day on which the Federal Reserve wire or Bank access to it is operable. Interest shall, in such circumstances, accrue to the buyer beginning on the day on which the securities were to be originally delivered and shall be paid to the buyer by the seller. In the event of such failure, both the buyer and seller must provide documented evidence that the instructions were given to their respective Banks in accordance with Rules 9-511A and 9-514A and that all other provisions of Rules 9-511A and 9-514A have been complied with.

9-516A. Date of Delivery.

Delivery of U.S. Treasury securities may be made by the selling Participant upon any permissible delivery day of the delivery month that the seller may select. Delivery of U.S. Treasury securities must be made no later than the last business day of the delivery month.

9-517A. Seller's Invoice to Buyers.

Upon determining the buyers obligated to accept deliveries tendered by issuers of delivery notices, The Clearing Corporation shall promptly furnish each issuer the names of the buyers obligated to accept delivery from such issuer and a description of each security tendered by the issuer that was assigned by The Clearing Corporation to each such buyer. Thereupon, sellers (issuers of delivery notices) shall prepare invoices addressed to their assigned buyers, describing the documents to be delivered to each such buyer. Such invoices shall show the amount which buyers must pay to sellers in settlement of the actual deliveries, based on the delivery prices established by The Clearing Corporation, and adjusted for applicable interest payments. Such invoices shall be delivered to The Clearing Corporation by 2:00 p.m., or by such other time designated by The Clearing Corporation, on the Business Day preceding the intended date of delivery, except on the next-to-last Business Day of the month, where such invoices shall be delivered to The Clearing Corporation by 3:00 p.m., or by such other time as may be designated by The Clearing Corporation. Upon receipt of such invoices, The Clearing Corporation shall promptly make them available to buyers in the manner determined by The Clearing Corporation from time to time.

10. MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE LLC

10-101. Definitions.

Exchange

The Merchants' Exchange LLC.

ME Contract

The term "ME Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "Exchange Market."

10-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of ME Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

10-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for each open ME Contract means the price for that Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this Rule, the daily Settlement Price for each open ME Contract shall be determined as follows:
 - (i) If an ME Contract is actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be the last Trade price or a price established within the closing range, for that Contract.
 - (ii) If an ME Contract is not actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be a price established within the current bids and offers, or based on a current bid or offer, for that ME Contract.

- (iii) If no current bids or offers are available for an ME contract, the Settlement Price shall be a price established (A) in relation to quoted spread prices against other actively traded ME Contracts, or (B) in relation to other Futures, Option or Commodity prices.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of an ME Contract shall be the price required by the Exchange contract terms and conditions.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by The Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of The Clearing Corporation and Participants, The Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ME Contract at a price deemed appropriate under the circumstances. When The Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of this paragraph, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.

10-501. Assignment of Deliveries.

Upon receipt of notices of intention to deliver on ME Contracts cleared through The Clearing Corporation, issued by sellers in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Exchange, The Clearing Corporation shall assign such deliveries to eligible buyers in accordance with such rules and regulations. The Clearing Corporation shall promptly notify buyers as to deliveries assigned to them and shall furnish to sellers the names of buyers obligated to accept such deliveries from them. Delivery and payment therefor shall be made by and between such buyers and sellers in the time and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Exchange.

If on the last notice day of a delivery month the total of notices of intention to deliver any Commodity is less than the total of ME Contracts of such Commodity remaining open and required to be settled by delivery, The Clearing Corporation shall allocate the total quantity of such Commodity tendered for final delivery pro rata, as near as may be practicable, among buyers entitled to receive delivery of such Commodity, and the shortfalls shall be allocated in the same manner.

10-505. Delivery Default.

The Clearing Corporation shall under no circumstances be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of ME Contracts made on or through the facilities of the Exchange, nor shall The Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery Obligation following The Clearing Corporation's assignment of Participant buyers to selling Participant as provided herein. Following The Clearing Corporation's issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments, the Participants shall be substituted in lieu of The Clearing Corporation as buyers and sellers in the ME Contracts between The Clearing Corporation and Participant sellers and buyers, respectively, and the ME Contracts between such Participants and The Clearing Corporation

will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement.

11. COMMODITIES MANAGEMENT EXCHANGE, INC.

11-101. Definitions.

CMX

Commodities Management Exchange, Inc.

CMX Contract

The term "CMX Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "OTC Market."

CMX Trading System

The electronic Trade matching system operated by CMX for the trading of CMX Contracts.

11-304. Offsets.

Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 501, any Participant has bought from Clearing Corporation any amount of a given CMX Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same CMX Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given CMX Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same CMX Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

11-310. Acceptance of Trades by The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted by or on behalf of a Participant

- (b) A Trade in a CMX Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by The Clearing Corporation until the later of: (i) receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to the Trade, and (ii) thirty minutes after The Clearing Corporation's matching of Trade confirmations submitted by Participants. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such thirty-minute period decline to accept such Trade, whether or not The Clearing Corporation has received the Margin and other payments and deposits required to be made in respect thereof. In such an event, The Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and CMX.
- (c) Issuance by The Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by The Clearing Corporation.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade is received or matched between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the times referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.
- .02 If The Clearing Corporation declines to accept a Trade (as provided in paragraph (b)), it will refund the Participants' Margin and other payments and deposits. In the event that one of the Participants is in Default, The Clearing Corporation will refund Margin, payments and deposits only to the Participant that is not in Default.

11-312. Reserved.

11-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of CMX Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

11-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for a CMX Contract means the price for such CMX Contract established by The Clearing Corporation in accordance with this Rule.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open CMX Contract shall be determined based upon the recommendation of CMX. In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of The Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of a CMX Contract shall be the price required by the terms and conditions established by CMX for such CMX Contract.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by The Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of The Clearing Corporation and Participants, The Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any CMX Contract at a price deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When The Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) In no event shall the Settlement Price (including the Settlement Price for Final Settlement) of any CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (single-day swap) or CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (monthly-average swap) be less than \$.0005/pound.

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11-504. Reserved.

11-505. Delivery Default.

The Clearing Corporation shall under no circumstances be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of CMX Contracts made on or through the facilities of the Exchange, nor shall The Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery Obligation following The Clearing Corporation's assignment of Participant buyers to selling Participant as provided herein.

The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time delivery is required to be made according to the rules of the Exchange and these Rules, consider the corresponding sales to such assigned buying Participants made hereunder as having been settled, shall adjust the respective Participants' positions with The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these

Rules, and shall have no further obligation to Participants in respect of such CMX Contracts and positions.

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11-508. Reserved.

11-509. Cash Settlement.

After trading ceases on the Last Trading Day, The Clearing Corporation shall deem the maintenance by a Participant of an open position in a CMX Contract to constitute an offer to sell to or buy from The Clearing Corporation, as the case may be, the specific quantity of the commodity or other interest that underlies such CMX Contract at the final Settlement Price established in accordance with Rule 11-404.

Cash settlement of CMX Contracts shall ordinarily be made on the second Business Day after the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time cash settlement is required to be made, consider the corresponding sales or purchases made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' positions with The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

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**Product Specification – CMX AL London NA A380
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London NA A380 (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn NA A380 Day
Commodity Code	AA
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A**Product Specification – CMX AL London NA A380
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London NA A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn NA A380 MAS
Commodity Code	AB
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Survey A380
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Srvy A380 Day
Commodity Code	AC
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Survey A380
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Srvy A380 MAS
Commodity Code	AD
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification – CMX AL London Alloy
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Alloy (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Alloy Day
Commodity Code	AE
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL London Alloy
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Alloy (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Alloy MAS
Commodity Code	AF
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification – CMX AL London Hi Grade
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Hi Grade (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Hi Grade Day
Commodity Code	AG
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification – CMX AL London Hi Grade
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Hi Grade (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Hi Grade MAS
Commodity Code	AH
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Trms Srvy Day
Commodity Code	AI
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Trns Srvy MAS
Commodity Code	AJ
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification –CMX AL New York Primary
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL New York Primary (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL NY Primary Day
Commodity Code	AK
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Third to last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Last Business Day of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL New York Primary
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL New York Primary (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL NY Primary MAS
Commodity Code	AL
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

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**Product Specification – CMX AL MW Transaction Premium
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Prem PL Day
Commodity Code	AM
Contract Unit	440,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$220.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month. The Settlement Price for Final Settlement will in no event be less than .05 cents (\$.0005) per pound.
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL MW Transaction Premium
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Prem PL MAS
Commodity Code	AN
Contract Unit	440,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$220.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day. The Settlement Price for Final Settlement will in no event be less than .05 cents (\$.0005) per pound.
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

12. CHEMCONNECT, INC.

12-101. Definitions.

ChemConnect

ChemConnect, Inc.

ChemConnect Contract

The term “ChemConnect Contract” has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of “OTC Market.”

Contract Value

As to any ChemConnect Contract on any day, the product of the current Settlement Price and the contract size per lot (as set forth in Appendix 12-A).

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605 or Rule 12-605.

Delivery Collateral

All collateral held by Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, in respect of a ChemConnect Contract following Final Settlement of any ChemConnect Contract that provides for physical delivery. “Original Delivery Collateral” and “Supplementary Delivery Collateral” have the meanings given those terms in Rule 12-501(b).

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open trades or positions in ChemConnect Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by The Clearing Corporation to such Participant’s settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant’s variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The Clearing Corporation ordinarily will effect Final Settlement of ChemConnect Contracts by 6:40 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day in such ChemConnect Contract.

ChemConnect User Agreement

The agreement between ChemConnect and a Participant or Customer governing the responsibilities of parties to ChemConnect Contracts, including the terms for delivery thereof.

ChemConnect System

The system operated by ChemConnect for the trading of ChemConnect Contracts.

Escrow Payment Amount

The term “Escrow Payment Amount” has the meaning given that term in Rule 12-502(c).

Last Trading Day

As to any ChemConnect Contract, the last day on which a particular delivery month or expiration is available on the ChemConnect System.

Non-Defaulting Participant

The term “non-Defaulting Participant” has the meaning given that term in Rule 12-505(b).

Swap Settlement Collateral

All collateral (including Initial Swap Collateral and Supplementary Swap Collateral) held by The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, following Final Settlement, in respect of a ChemConnect Contract that provides for cash settlement. Initial Swap Collateral and Supplementary Swap Collateral have the meanings given those terms in Rule 12-501(e).

12-304. Offsets.

- (a) Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, any Participant has bought from The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ChemConnect Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same ChemConnect Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ChemConnect Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same ChemConnect Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

- (b) The Clearing Corporation will, upon direction from a Participant, establish one or more sub-accounts within such Participant's account at The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will ordinarily offset long and short positions in ChemConnect Contract that are identified by the Participant as having been made for such a sub-account.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 A Participant is permitted to establish one or more sub-accounts for itself or for Customers. In the event of a Default, the applicable Guaranty Funds will be applied only to the combined (net) position in those sub-accounts.

12-310. Acceptance of Trades by The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted by or on behalf of a Participant.
- (b) A Trade (other than a Transfer Trade or a Block Trade) in a ChemConnect Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by The Clearing Corporation until thirty minutes after The Clearing Corporation's receipt thereof from ChemConnect. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such period decline to accept such Trade. In that event, The Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and ChemConnect.
- (c) A Transfer Trade shall not be accepted until The Clearing Corporation has received from the Participants who are parties to the Trade all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules.
- (d) A Block Trade shall be submitted to The Clearing Corporation, together with such additional information as may be required and, if not rejected by The Clearing Corporation within one hour of the submission thereof by ChemConnect, shall be deemed accepted by The Clearing Corporation. In the event that The Clearing Corporation rejects a Block Trade, it will promptly notify the affected Participants and ChemConnect.
- (e) Issuance by The Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by The Clearing Corporation.
- (f) As used herein, (i) the term "Block Trade" shall mean a privately negotiated transaction in a ChemConnect Contract that is submitted to The Clearing Corporation by ChemConnect but not executed through the ChemConnect System.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade (other than a Block Trade) is received between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. In the event that a Block Trade is submitted to The Clearing Corporation between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 8:00 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the time frames referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.

12-312. Reserved.

12-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of ChemConnect Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

12-402. Original Margins.

- (a) Margin, other than variation settlements, shall be known as original Margin. The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect The Clearing Corporation on Trades in ChemConnect Contracts. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ChemConnect Contract that settles by physical delivery shall be equal to at least 30% of the Contract Value. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ChemConnect Contract that cash settles shall be equal to at least 10% of the Contract Value.
- (b) When the amount callable shall have been fixed, such Margin shall be called by The Clearing Corporation. Normally, Margin calls will be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, The Clearing Corporation may depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin. Upon performance or closing out of Contracts thus secured, original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of The Clearing Corporation except as otherwise provided in Rules 12-501 and 12-502.

- (c) Original Margin may be required of Participants on a gross basis, without reduction for opposite positions in the same ChemConnect Contract, and shall be deposited in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation.

12-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for a ChemConnect Contract means the price for such ChemConnect Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open ChemConnect Contract shall be determined by The Clearing Corporation based upon the recommendation of ChemConnect. The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of The Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of a ChemConnect Contract shall be the price established pursuant to the terms and conditions of the ChemConnect Contract User Agreement.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by The Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of The Clearing Corporation and Participants, The Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ChemConnect Contract at a price deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When The Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committees of The Clearing Corporation or ChemConnect, and may consider all relevant market information.

12-501. Assignment of Deliveries and Swap Settlements.

- (a) By 3:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, The Clearing Corporation shall assign buyers by account and sellers by account for delivery purposes. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the account-to-account assignments. Such notification shall be given by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall also notify ChemConnect of the account-to-account assignments. ChemConnect shall identify the names of and the contact information for the respective assigned accounts and provide such information to the Participants and The Clearing Corporation.

- (b) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, The Clearing Corporation shall instruct the Participant to deposit for credit to an escrow account maintained by The Clearing Corporation an amount equivalent to the original Margin requirement that is on deposit with The Clearing Corporation as of Final Settlement. Such amount shall be held in escrow by The Clearing Corporation as Original Delivery Collateral. During the delivery month (from the second business day after Last Trading Day until delivery), the buying Participant and selling Participant will be required to deliver to The Clearing Corporation, for credit to an escrow account maintained by The Clearing Corporation, such amounts (Supplementary Delivery Collateral) as required pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement. Such Supplementary Delivery Collateral will be transferred by wire transfer of immediately available funds of the United States of America to the escrow account designated by The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation shall release Supplementary Delivery Collateral pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement.
- (c) In the event that The Clearing Corporation is notified by both Participants that assigned accounts have agreed to the terms of an alternative delivery process, Delivery Collateral held by The Clearing Corporation in respect of such assigned accounts shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 12-502(d)(iii).
- (d) By 3:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, The Clearing Corporation shall assign buyers by account and sellers by account for swap settlement purposes. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the account-to-account assignments. Such notification shall be given by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall also notify ChemConnect of the account-to-account assignments. ChemConnect shall identify the names of and the contact information for the respective assigned accounts and provide such information to the Participants and The Clearing Corporation.

- (e) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, The Clearing Corporation shall instruct the Participant to deposit for credit to an escrow account maintained by The Clearing Corporation an amount equivalent to the original Margin requirement that is on deposit with The Clearing Corporation as of Final Settlement. Such amount shall be held in escrow by The Clearing Corporation as Initial Swap Collateral. During the settlement month (from the second business day after Last Trading Day until swap settlement), the buying Participant and selling Participant shall deliver to The Clearing Corporation, for credit to an escrow account maintained by The Clearing Corporation, such amounts (“Supplementary Swap Collateral”) as required pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement. Such Supplementary Swap Collateral will be transferred by wire transfer of immediately available funds of the United States of America to the escrow account designated by The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation shall release Supplementary Swap Collateral pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement.
- (f) In the event that The Clearing Corporation is notified by both Participants that assigned accounts have agreed to the terms of an alternative swap process, Swap Settlement Collateral held by The Clearing Corporation in respect of such assigned accounts shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 12-502(d)(iii).

12-502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery; Application of Delivery Collateral; Application of Swap Settlement Collateral.

- (a) A ChemConnect Contract that has not been liquidated or offset prior to the termination of trading on the Last Trading Day shall be settled by delivery or swap settlement in the manner established by the ChemConnect User Agreement unless otherwise settled pursuant to the terms of an alternative delivery process (as provided in Rule 12-501(c)) or alternative swap settlement as provided for in Rule 12-501(f).
- (b) Following The Clearing Corporation’s issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments (as provided in Rule 12-501(a)) or swap settlement (as provided in Rule 12-501(d)), The Clearing Corporation shall assign Participant buyers receiving such notices to Participant sellers receiving such notices and the Participant buyers and sellers shall be substituted in lieu of The Clearing Corporation as the buyer and seller in such ChemConnect Contracts, and the ChemConnect Contracts between Participant buyers and sellers on the one hand, and The Clearing Corporation on the other hand will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement. The buyer and seller Participants shall continue to be subject to the requirements of Rule 12-501 notwithstanding such substitution.

- (c) Pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement, with respect to delivery contracts, Participant buyers will be required to provide an amount that represents full payment to be held in escrow by The Clearing Corporation (the “Escrow Payment Amount”). The Escrow Payment Amount will not be deemed to be an Obligation of the Participant buyer to The Clearing Corporation and a failure of a Participant buyer to post the Escrow Payment Amount with The Clearing Corporation shall not, by itself, constitute a default under Rule 12-605. The Clearing Corporation shall release any Escrow Payment Amount held by it as escrow agent at such time as is provided therefor in the ChemConnect User Agreement.
- (d) Provided that a Participant has not timely notified The Clearing Corporation of a delivery default or swap settlement default, The Clearing Corporation will release Delivery Collateral or Swap Settlement Collateral to the Participant that has posted the same as provided herein.
- (i) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a selling Participant on the tenth Business Day after the scheduled delivery day unless the assigned buying Participant has provided timely written notice to The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, that delivery was not made timely and in full.
- (ii) The Clearing Corporation will return any Delivery Collateral and Escrow Payment Amount deposited by a buying Participant on the tenth Business Day after the scheduled payment date established by ChemConnect unless the assigned selling Participant has provided timely written notice to The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, that such payment was not made timely and in full.
- (iii) The Clearing Corporation will return Swap Settlement Collateral deposited by a Participant on the second Business Day after the last day of the swap settlement month.
- (iv) Provided that a Participant has not notified The Clearing Corporation of a delivery default or swap settlement default, as provided herein, The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, will release any Delivery Collateral and Escrow Payment Amount or Swap Settlement Collateral, as applicable, to selling and buying Participants that have entered into an alternative delivery process (as provided in Rule 12-501(c)) or alternative swap settlement (as provided in Rule 12-501(f)) on the second Business Day following notice of the alternative delivery process or alternative swap settlement. In the event that only one such Participant is in Default, The Clearing Corporation will, as escrow agent, release Delivery Collateral solely to the non-Defaulting Participant.

- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, receives written instructions signed by ChemConnect or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction to the effect that a Participant is entitled to receive an amount of Delivery Collateral, Escrow Payment Amount, or Swap Settlement Collateral identified in such written instructions or order, The Clearing Corporation shall disburse such amount of such collateral to such Participant.
- (f) Beyond the exercise of reasonable care in the custody and preservation thereof, The Clearing Corporation will have no duty as to any Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount in its possession or control or in the possession or control of any sub-agent or bailee or any income therefrom or as to the preservation of rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining thereto. The Clearing Corporation will be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount in its possession or control if such Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which it accords its own property, and will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage to any Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount, or for any diminution in the value thereof, by reason of any act or omission of any sub-agent or bailee selected by The Clearing Corporation in good faith or by reason of any act or omission by The Clearing Corporation pursuant to instructions from a Participant, except to the extent that such liability arises from The Clearing Corporation's gross negligence or willful misconduct. THE CLEARING CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, COST, OR EXPENSE ARISING FROM THE FAILURE OF A PARTICIPANT OR CUSTOMER OR OTHER NON-PARTICIPANT TO PERFORM ANY OF ITS DELIVERY OR SWAP SETTLEMENT OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING THE POSTING OF DELIVERY COLLATERAL, SWAP SETTLEMENT COLLATERAL OR ESCROW PAYMENT AMOUNT.

12-503. Delivery Price; Swap Settlement Price.

- (a) All deliveries on ChemConnect Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price for such ChemConnect Contract on the Last Trading Day.
- (b) Pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement, the final swap settlement amount payable by either the seller or buyer, as appropriate, for a applicable ChemConnect Contract shall be the difference between the Settlement Price on the Last Trading Day and the arithmetic average of the daily market values of the underlying physical product as such values are determined in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

12-505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, shall not under any circumstance be obligated to make or accept deliveries or to make swap settlement payments in satisfaction of ChemConnect Contracts, nor shall The Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation or make a swap settlement payment following The Clearing Corporation's assignment of delivery instructions and swap settlements as provided in Rule 12-501.
- (b) In the event that a Participant (a "Defaulting party") shall fail to fulfill its delivery obligations (including payment therefor) or its swap settlement obligations and the opposite Participant (the "non-Defaulting Participant") shall have given timely notice thereof as provided in Rule 12-502(c), The Clearing Corporation's sole obligation, as escrow agent, shall be to release to the non-Defaulting Participant any Delivery Collateral or Swap Settlement Collateral, as applicable, held by The Clearing Corporation in respect of the Defaulting party's positions, pursuant to the instructions of ChemConnect or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that more than one non-Defaulting Participant is entitled thereto, The Clearing Corporation shall allocate such Delivery Collateral or Swap Settlement Collateral, as applicable, ratably among the non-Defaulting Participants pursuant to the instructions of ChemConnect or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that there is a conflict or inconsistency in respect of any such instructions, The Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to determine, in its sole discretion, the controlling instructions.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules (including, without limitation, Rule 12-605), The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, holds Delivery Collateral, any Escrow Payment Amount, and Swap Settlement Collateral to secure the obligations of a Participant arising under ChemConnect Contracts and will not retain or apply Delivery Collateral, any Escrow Payment Amount, or Swap Settlement Collateral in satisfaction of a Participant's obligations to The Clearing Corporation.

12-605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in Default if such Participant (i) is in default under Rule 605, (ii) fails to meet any of its Obligations upon its Contracts with The Clearing Corporation, (iii) fails to deposit Margin within one hour after demand by The Clearing Corporation, (iv) fails to satisfy any of its obligations under Rule 802 or (v) is suspended, expelled or prohibited from trading by a Market or by The Clearing Corporation. Upon such Default, The Clearing Corporation may impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon such Participant or terminate the status of the Participant, and may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation, and

any debit balance owing to The Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.

- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, The Clearing Corporation shall have the right:
- (i) With respect to open Trades in Contracts, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts against (B) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such accounts and any other amounts owed to The Clearing Corporation as a result of transactions in the accounts or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the accounts;
 - (ii) With respect to all other open Trades (in ChemConnect Contracts or otherwise) held in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of The Clearing Corporation against (B) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in subparagraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with The Clearing Corporation;
 - (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
 - (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as The Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
 - (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its

discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of The Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by The Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.

- (c) If the Board of Directors or the President shall (i) determine that The Clearing Corporation is unable, for any reason, to close out any Contracts in a prompt and orderly fashion, or to convert to cash any Margin of a suspended Participant, or (ii) elects pursuant to paragraph (b)(v) not to close out any such Trades or Contracts, The Clearing Corporation may, solely for the purpose of reducing the risk to The Clearing Corporation resulting from the continued maintenance of such positions or the continued holding of such Margin, authorize the execution of hedging transactions, including, without limitation, the purchase or sale of underlying commodities or commodities deemed similar thereto or Contracts on any such underlying or similar interests. Any authorization of hedging transactions shall be reported promptly to the Board, and any such Trades that are executed shall be reported to the Board on a daily basis. Any costs or expenses, including losses, sustained by The Clearing Corporation in connection with transactions effected for its account as authorized hereby shall be charged to the account of the suspended Participant, and any gains realized on such transactions shall be credited to such account.
- (d) Any obligation of The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of the Rules shall be subject to all the terms of the Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth in this Rule. The rights of The Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of these Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may declare a Participant that is in Default under this Rule 12-605 also to be in Default under Rule 605.

Product Specification Ethane

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Ethane Forward – Enterprise – Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Delivery	F.O.B. at Enterprise Products Partners L.P. facility in Mt. Belvieu, Texas. Product shall conform to industry standards for fungible liquefied ethane gas as determined by the Gas Processors Association.

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Ethane Swap – Enterprise - Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Final Settlement/Clearing Corporation	Final Settlement Price for Last Trading Day
Final ChemConnect Swap Settlement Price	Arithmetic average of the daily market values for the underlying product as determined each Business Day during the swap settlement month in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

Product Specification Propane

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Propane Forward – TET - Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Delivery	F.O.B. at Texas Eastern Products Pipeline Company (TEPPCO) facility in Mt. Belvieu, Texas. Product shall conform to industry standards for fungible liquefied propane gas as determined by the Gas Processors Association (GPA-HD-5).

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Propane Swap – Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Final Settlement/Clearing Corporation	Final Settlement Price for Last Trading Day
Final ChemConnect Swap Settlement Price	Arithmetic average of the daily market values for the underlying product as determined each Business Day during the swap settlement month in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

13. INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE, INC.

13-101. Definitions.

Contract Value

As to any ICE Contract on any day, the product of the current Settlement Price and the Contract size per lot (as set forth in Appendix 13-A).

Customer

A party, other than a Participant, that is obligated to make or receive physical delivery in settlement of an ICE Contract.

Daily Limit

“Daily Limit” shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13-310(g).

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605 or Rule 13-605.

Delivery Collateral

Original Delivery Collateral and Supplementary Delivery Collateral held by The Clearing Corporation as escrow agent in respect of an ICE Contract following Final Settlement of such ICE Contract. “Original Delivery Collateral” and “Supplementary Delivery Collateral” have the meanings set forth in Rule 13-501(c).

EEI Agreement

The form of Edison Electric Institute (“EEI”) Master Power Purchase & Sale Agreement (including the completed Cover Sheet thereto, plus the Collateral Annex and completed Paragraph 10) incorporated by reference into Annex F of the ICE Participant Agreement, as amended from time to time.

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open Trades or positions in ICE Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by The Clearing Corporation to such Participant’s settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant’s variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation ordinarily will effect Final Settlement of a physically settled ICE Contract by 6:40 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day in such ICE Contract.

ICE

IntercontinentalExchange, Inc.

ICE Contract

The term "ICE Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "OTC Market."

ICE Participant Agreement

The agreement between ICE and a Participant or Customer governing the responsibilities of parties to ICE Contracts, including the terms for delivery thereof.

ICE Trading System

The electronic Trade matching system operated by ICE for the trading of ICE Contracts.

Last Trading Day

As to any ICE Contract, the last day on which a particular delivery month or expiration is listed for trading on the ICE Trading System.

Non-Defaulting Participant

The term "non-Defaulting Participant" has the meaning given that term in Rule 13-505(b).

13-304. Offsets.

- (a) Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, any Participant has bought from The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ICE Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same ICE Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ICE Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same ICE Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to

collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

- (b) The Clearing Corporation will, upon direction from a Participant, establish one or more sub-accounts within such Participant's account at The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will ordinarily offset long and short positions in an ICE Contract that are identified by the Participant as having been made for such a sub-account.

13-307. Statement of Trades and Positions.

The Clearing Corporation shall make available to Participants a statement of Trades and positions for each Business Day on which such Participant has Trades to be cleared or a position open with The Clearing Corporation.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 Each ICE Contract represents either 400 MWhs of Western power or 800 MWhs of Eastern and Mid Continent power. One month of power will be represented by a number of Contracts equal to the number of NERC peak days in that month.

13-310. Acceptance of Trades by The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted on behalf of a Participant.
- (b) A Trade (other than a Transfer Trade or a Block Trade) in an ICE Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by The Clearing Corporation until thirty minutes after The Clearing Corporation's receipt of a matched Trade submitted to it by ICE. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such period decline to accept such Trade. In that event, The Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and ICE.
- (c) A Transfer Trade shall not be accepted until The Clearing Corporation has received from the Participants who are parties to the Trade all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules.
- (d) A Block Trade shall be submitted to The Clearing Corporation, together with such additional information as may be required and, if not rejected by The Clearing Corporation within one hour of the submission thereof, shall be deemed accepted by The Clearing Corporation. In the event that The Clearing Corporation rejects a Block Trade, it will promptly notify the affected Participants and ICE.

- (e) Issuance by The Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by The Clearing Corporation.
- (f) The Clearing Corporation may from time to time establish Daily Limits and may in such circumstances decline to accept for clearance Trades in ICE Contracts that exceed any such Daily Limit. Except as otherwise provided in a resolution adopted pursuant to Rule 601 or 602, Daily Limits shall not apply on the last two trading days for any ICE Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, The Clearing Corporation may in its discretion accept such a Trade if doing so will reduce The Clearing Corporation's net exposure to a Participant. The Clearing Corporation will give Participants prompt notice of the adoption of Daily Limits.
- (g) As used herein, (i) the term "Block Trade" shall mean a privately negotiated transaction in an ICE Contract that is submitted to The Clearing Corporation by ICE but not executed through the ICE Trading System, and (ii) the term "Daily Limit" shall mean a price that is above or below the preceding day's Settlement Price by more than a specified increment.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade (other than a Block Trade) is received or matched between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. In the event that a Block Trade is submitted to The Clearing Corporation between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 8:00 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the time frames referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.

13-311. Trades for Customers.

Where a Participant clears a Trade for a Customer, the Participant for whose account such Trade has been cleared becomes liable to The Clearing Corporation and The Clearing Corporation liable to such Participant on such Trade as if the Trade were for the account of the Participant, subject in all cases to the provisions of Rule 13-304.

13-312. Reserved.

13-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of The Clearing Corporation relating or arising out of ICE Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the

amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, not shall The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

13-402. Original Margin.

- (a) Margin, other than variation settlements, shall be known as original Margin. The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect The Clearing Corporation on Trades in ICE Contracts. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ICE Contract that settles by physical delivery shall be equal to 50% of the Contract Value.
- (b) When the amount callable shall have been fixed, such Margin shall be called by The Clearing Corporation. Normally, Margin calls will be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, The Clearing Corporation may depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin. Upon performance or closing out of Contracts thus secured, original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of The Clearing Corporation except as otherwise provided in Rules 13-501 and 13-502.
- (c) Original Margin may be required of Participants on a gross basis, without reduction for opposite positions in the same ICE Contract, and shall be deposited in the manner prescribed by The Clearing Corporation.

13-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for an ICE Contract means the price for such ICE Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open ICE Contract shall be determined by The Clearing Corporation based upon the recommendation of ICE. The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of The Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of an ICE Contract shall be the price required by the ICE Contract terms and conditions.

- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by The Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of The Clearing Corporation and Participants, The Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ICE Contract at a price deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When The Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committees of The Clearing Corporation or the Exchange, and may consider all relevant market information.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may establish Daily Limits as provided in Rule 13-310. In such an event, the Settlement Price ordinarily will be established at a price that does not exceed such Daily Limit.

13-501. Assignment of Deliveries.

- (a) By 8:00 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, Participant buyers and Participant sellers shall report their gross long and short positions, respectively, and shall identify the holders (whether Participants or Customers) of each long and short position in an ICE Contract reflected on the books of such Participant.
- (b) By 10:00 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, The Clearing Corporation will provide ICE with a report of the long and short delivery positions held by Participants and Customers for delivery, as reported to The Clearing Corporation as provided in paragraph (a). ICE will provide The Clearing Corporation with instructions regarding the delivery assignment of all such open positions, including the names of the parties that are to make and take delivery and their Participants (if the Participant is not itself the party that is to make or take delivery), by no later than 4:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the assignments made by ICE. Such notification shall be given by no later than 6:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day.

- (c) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, original Margin deposited by that Participant in respect of ICE Contracts that remain open after Final Settlement shall be retained by The Clearing Corporation as Original Delivery Collateral. Thereafter, such a Participant shall deposit with The Clearing Corporation Supplementary Delivery Collateral in a form and manner acceptable to The Clearing Corporation and in an amount sufficient to cause the Delivery Collateral for each such ICE Contract to be equivalent to the Contract Value. Such Supplementary Delivery Collateral shall be deposited by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day following the Last Trading Day. Failure to do so shall constitute a Default pursuant to Rule 13-605 and shall subject the Participant to discipline by The Clearing Corporation.
- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (c), assigned Participants shall not be required to deposit Supplementary Delivery Collateral if they have notified The Clearing Corporation that they have agreed to the terms of an alternative delivery arrangement. Any such notice shall be given by 3:30 p.m. on the second Business Day following the Last Trading Day or such later time and in such form as may be specified by The Clearing Corporation. In such an event, Original Delivery Collateral held by The Clearing Corporation in respect of such deliveries shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 13-502(c)(iii).

13-502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery; Application of Delivery Collateral.

- (a) An ICE Contract that has not been liquidated or offset prior to the termination of trading on the Last Trading Day shall be settled by delivery in the manner established by the ICE Participant Agreement unless otherwise settled pursuant to the terms of an alternative delivery arrangement as provided in Rule 13-501(d).
- (b) Following The Clearing Corporation's issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments as provided in Rule 13-501(b), The Clearing Corporation shall assign Participant buyers to Participant sellers in accordance with the delivery assignments made by ICE, and the Participants shall be substituted in lieu of The Clearing Corporation as buyers and sellers in the ICE Contracts between The Clearing Corporation and Participant sellers and buyers, respectively, and the ICE Contracts between such Participants and The Clearing Corporation will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement. The buyer and seller Participants shall continue to be subject to the requirements of Rule 13-501 notwithstanding such substitution. Following satisfaction of the obligations of the buyer and seller Participants as to Delivery Collateral under Rule 13-501(c), the contract between the Participants will be novated and replaced, as applicable, by a contract between the Customers making and receiving delivery with respect to such contract in accordance with the ICE Participant Agreement.
- (c) Acting solely in its capacity as escrow agent, The Clearing Corporation will release Delivery Collateral to the Participant that has posted the same as provided herein.

- (i) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a selling Participant on the third Business Day after the last delivery day unless the buying Participant has provided timely written notice to The Clearing Corporation that delivery was not made timely and in full.
 - (ii) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a buying Participant on the second Business Day after the scheduled payment date established by ICE unless the selling Participant has provided timely written notice to The Clearing Corporation that such payment was not made timely and in full.
 - (iii) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, The Clearing Corporation will release Original Delivery Collateral to selling and buying Participants that have entered into an alternative delivery arrangement (as provided in Rule 13-501(d)) on the third Business Day following the Last Trading Day. In the event that only one such Participant is in Default, The Clearing Corporation will release Original Delivery Collateral solely to the non-Defaulting Participant.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if The Clearing Corporation receives written instructions signed by ICE or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction to the effect that a Participant is entitled to receive an amount of Delivery Collateral identified in such written instructions or order, The Clearing Corporation will disburse such amount of Delivery Collateral to such Participant.
- (e) Beyond the exercise of reasonable care in the custody and preservation thereof, The Clearing Corporation will have no duty as to any Margin or Delivery Collateral in its possession or control or in the possession or control of any sub-agent or bailee or any income therefrom or as to the preservation of rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining thereto. The Clearing Corporation will be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of Margin or Delivery Collateral in its possession or control if such Margin or Delivery Collateral is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which it accords its own property, and will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage to any Margin or Delivery Collateral, or for any diminution in the value thereof, by reason of any act or omission of any sub-agent or bailee selected by The Clearing Corporation in good faith or by reason of any act or omission by The Clearing Corporation pursuant to instructions from a Participant, except to the extent that such liability arises from The Clearing Corporation's gross negligence or willful misconduct. THE CLEARING CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, COST, OR EXPENSE ARISING FROM THE FAILURE OF A PARTICIPANT OR CUSTOMER OR OTHER NON-PARTICIPANT TO PERFORM ANY OF ITS DELIVERY OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING THE POSTING OF DELIVERY COLLATERAL.

13-503. Delivery Price.

All deliveries on ICE Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price for such ICE Contract on the Last Trading Day.

13-505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall not under any circumstance be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of ICE Contracts, nor shall The Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation following The Clearing Corporation's assignment of delivery instructions as provided in Rule 13-501.
- (b) In the event that a Participant or Customer (a "Defaulting party") shall fail to fulfill its delivery obligations (including payment therefor) and the opposite Participant (the "non-Defaulting Participant") shall have given timely notice thereof as provided in Rule 13-502(c), The Clearing Corporation's sole obligation shall be to release to the non-Defaulting Participant or its Customer, as appropriate, any Delivery Collateral held by The Clearing Corporation in respect of the Defaulting party's positions, pursuant to the instructions of ICE or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that more than one non-Defaulting Participant is entitled thereto, The Clearing Corporation shall allocate such Delivery Collateral ratably among the non-Defaulting Participants pursuant to the instructions of ICE or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that there is a conflict or inconsistency in respect of any such instructions, The Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to determine, in its sole discretion, the controlling instructions.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules (including, without limitation, Rule 13-605), The Clearing Corporation holds Delivery Collateral solely as escrow agent to secure the obligations of a Participant or a Customer arising under ICE Contracts and will not retain or apply Delivery Collateral in satisfaction of a Participant's obligations to The Clearing Corporation.

13-510. Customer Deliveries.

At least five Business Days prior to the Last Trading Day, a Participant shall confirm that each Customer holding a position in the expiring month is qualified (in the manner determined by ICE) to effect delivery. A Participant may not clear a Trade for the account of a Customer at any time during the five Business Days preceding and including the Last Trading Day unless such Trade liquidates or offsets an existing position in the Customer's account at the Participant or the Participant has confirmed or confirms promptly that the Customer is prepared (in a manner deemed satisfactory by ICE) to effect delivery. In the event that the Participant is unable timely to obtain such confirmation, it shall liquidate the Customer's positions in the expiring ICE Contract prior to the close of trading on the Last Trading Day.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 ICE has established the following requirements for Customers who wish to maintain open positions on and after five Business Days prior to the Last Trading Day in an ICE Contract:

PJM:

The Customer must be a member of PJM.

Into Cinergy:

The seller must (a) own generation (greater than the short position) within the Cinergy grid, (b) have a source (greater than the short position) outside the Cinergy grid, together with sufficient firm transmission from the source to the Cinergy grid, or (c) have entered into a valid and binding bilateral transaction that offsets the ICE Contract.

The buyer must (a) have load (greater than the long position) within the Cinergy grid or (b) have load (greater than the long position) outside the Cinergy grid, together with sufficient firm transmission from the Cinergy grid to the load, or (c) have entered into a valid and binding bilateral transaction that offsets the ICE Contract.

13-605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in Default if such Participant (i) is in default under Rule 605, (ii) fails to meet any of its obligations upon its Contracts with The Clearing Corporation, (iii) fails to deposit Margin within one hour after demand by The Clearing Corporation, or (iv) is suspended, expelled or prohibited from trading by a Market or by The Clearing Corporation. Upon such Default, The Clearing Corporation may impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon such Participant or terminate the status of the Participant, and may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by The Clearing Corporation, and any debit balance owing to The Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, The Clearing Corporation shall have the right:

- (i) With respect to open Trades in Contracts, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts against (B) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such accounts and any other amounts owed to The Clearing Corporation as a result of transactions in the accounts or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the accounts;
- (ii) With respect to all other open Trades (in ICE Contracts or otherwise) held in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of The Clearing Corporation against (B) any amounts paid by The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to The Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in subparagraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with The Clearing Corporation;
- (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
- (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as The Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
- (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of The Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by The Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.

- (c) If the Board of Directors or the President shall (i) determine that The Clearing Corporation is unable, for any reason, to close out any Contracts in a prompt and orderly fashion, or to convert to cash any Margin of a suspended Participant, or (ii) elects pursuant to paragraph (b)(v) not to close out any such Trades or Contracts, The Clearing Corporation may, solely for the purpose of reducing the risk to The Clearing Corporation resulting from the continued maintenance of such positions or the continued holding of such Margin, authorize the execution of hedging transactions, including, without limitation, the purchase or sale of underlying commodities or commodities deemed similar thereto or Contracts on any such underlying or similar interests. Any authorization of hedging transactions shall be reported promptly to the Board, and any such Trades that are executed shall be reported to the Board on a daily basis. Any costs or expenses, including losses, sustained by The Clearing Corporation in connection with transactions effected for its account as authorized hereby shall be charged to the account of the suspended Participant, and any gains realized on such transactions shall be credited to such account.

- (d) Any obligation of The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of the Rules shall be subject to all the terms of the Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth in this Rule. The rights of The Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of these Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

.. Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may declare a Participant that is in Default under this Rule 13-605 also to be in Default under Rule 605.

Product Specification - PJM-West

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Physically settled US Power, Electricity Firm - LD Peak Physical, Fixed Price – PJM West Hub
Rate	50 MWh
Contract Size per lot	800 MWh
Unit of Trading	Trading takes place in multiples of 50 MWhs for a 16-hour peak day. 1 lot equals 800 peak MWhs per day. For example, a 5 lot position in a monthly contract for May 03 has a value of 5 (lots) x 21 peak days (22 minus 1 NERC holiday) x 50 (MWhs) x 16 (peak hours) = 84,000 MWhs. NOTE: For each ICE Contract, ICE will report to The Clearing Corporation a quantity equal to the number of peak days in that delivery month. [For example, one 50MWhs ICE Contract for a month will be reported to The Clearing Corporation as 21 “units,” each representing 800 MWhs (50 MWhs x 16 peak hours per day).] The Clearing Corporation’s records, therefore, will reflect the number of units associated with ICE Contracts, and transactions reported by or to The Clearing Corporation shall be effected in “units” (multiples of the number of peak days in the delivery month).
Delivery Schedule	Monday – Friday HE 08:00 HE 23:00 EPT excluding NERC Holidays
Currency	US Dollars and cents per MWh
Minimum Settlement Price Fluctuation	One US cent (\$0.01) per MWh
Last Trading Day	No Trades deliverable in the current month shall be made during the last three Business Days prior to the first calendar day of the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 72 consecutive calendar months commencing with the next calendar month.
Delivery	Physical delivery is effected pursuant to the terms of Annex F of the ICE Participant Agreement and the terms of the EEI Agreement incorporated by reference therein.

Product Specification - Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Physically settled US Power, Electricity Into Peak Physical, Fixed Price – Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice
Rate	50 MWh
Contract Size per lot	800 MWh
Unit of Trading	Trading takes place in multiples of 50 MWhs for a 16-hour peak day. 1 lot equals 800 peak MWhs per day. For example, a 5 lot position in a monthly contract for May 03 has a value of 5 (lots) x 21 peak days (22 minus 1 NERC holiday) x 50 (MWhs) x 16 (peak hours) = 84,000 MWhs. NOTE: For each ICE Contract, ICE will report to The Clearing Corporation a quantity equal to the number of peak days in that delivery month. [For example, one 50MWhs ICE Contract for a month will be reported to The Clearing Corporation as 21 “units,” each representing 800 MWhs (50 MWhs x 16 peak hours per day).] The Clearing Corporation’s records, therefore, will reflect the number of units associated with ICE Contracts, and transactions reported by or to The Clearing Corporation shall be effected in “units” (multiples of the number of peak days in the delivery month).
Currency	US Dollars and cents per MWh
Minimum Settlement Price Fluctuation	One US cent (\$0.01) per MWh
Last Trading Day	No Trades deliverable in the current month shall be made during the last three Business Days prior to the first calendar day of the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 72 consecutive calendar months commencing with the next calendar month.
Delivery	Physical delivery is effected pursuant to the terms of Annex F of the ICE Participant Agreement and the terms of the EEI Agreement incorporated by reference therein.

Rules of ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation

1. INTERPRETATION

101. Definitions.

Board; Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

Business Day

Any day (other than Saturdays, Sundays and holidays observed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation) on which the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation is open for business. **References in these Rules to a "day" or "Business Day" shall, unless the context otherwise requires, mean the "Business Day" corresponding to the trading day declared by the relevant Market.**

Bylaws

The Bylaws of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, as in effect from time to time.

Certificate of Incorporation

The Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, as amended from time to time.

Clearing Corporation

~~The Clearing Corporation.~~

Collateral

At any time, such property, other than Margin, as may be delivered, or in which a security interest may be granted, by a Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation or its custodian, as collateral for the Obligations, and all proceeds of the foregoing.

Commission

The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Commodities

All goods, articles, services, rights and interests in which Exchange Contracts are dealt in.

Contracts

Exchange Contracts and OTC Contracts.

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605.

EurexUS

U.S. Futures Exchange, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company.

Exchange Contract

A Futures Contract, Option on a Futures Contract or Option on a ~~commodity~~ **Commodity** that is dealt in on or subject to the rules of an Exchange Market and submitted to ~~the~~ **Clearing Corporation**~~The Clearing Corporation~~ for clearance in accordance with these Rules.

Exchange Market

An exchange or market that has been designated by or registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission as a contract market or derivatives transaction execution facility, is party to an agreement with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** for the provision of clearing services, and is specifically identified in these Rules as an Exchange Market.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The following exchanges and markets are Exchange Markets in respect of the following Exchange Contracts:
 - (a) ~~U.S. Futures Exchange, L.L.C.~~ **EurexUS**, with respect to (i) 30-year Treasury Bond Futures, (ii) 10-year Treasury Note Futures, (iii) 5-year Treasury Note Futures, (iv) 2-year Treasury Note Futures, (v) Options on 30-year Treasury Bond Futures, (vi) Options on 10-year Treasury Note Futures, (vii) Options on 5-year Treasury Note Futures, and (viii) Options on 2-year Treasury Note Futures, as set forth more fully in

Chapter 9. — ~~(b) Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc., with respect to (i) Futures Contracts and Options on Corn, Futures Contracts on mini-sized Corn, Futures Contracts and Options on Soybeans, Futures Contracts on mini-sized Soybeans, Futures Contracts and Options on Wheat, Futures Contracts on mini-sized Wheat, Futures Contracts and Options on Oats, Futures Contracts and Options on Rough Rice, Futures Contracts and Options on Soybean Oil, Futures Contracts and Options on Soybean Meal, Futures Contracts and Options on 5 Year Interest Rate Swap, Futures Contracts and Options on 10 Year Interest Rate Swap, Futures Contracts on 10 Year Municipal Note Index, Futures Contracts and Options on 30 Day Federal Funds, Futures Contracts and Options on the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index, Futures Contracts on the Dow Jones AIG Commodity Index, and Futures Contracts on the mini-sized Dow (\$5 Multiplier), but only through and including November 24, 2003; and (ii) Futures Contracts and Options (standard and flex) on U.S. Treasury Bonds, Futures Contracts on mini-sized U.S. Treasury Bonds, Futures Contracts and Options (standard and flex) on Long Term U.S. Treasury Notes (6½–10 Year), Futures Contracts on mini-sized Long Term U.S. Treasury Notes, Futures Contracts and Options (standard and flex) on Medium Term U.S. Treasury Notes (5 Year), Futures Contracts and Options (standard and flex) on Short Term U.S. Treasury Notes (2 Year), Futures Contracts and Options on Long Term Fannie Mae Benchmark Notes and Freddie Mac Reference Notes, Futures Contracts and Options on Medium Term Fannie Mae Benchmark Notes and Freddie Mac Reference Notes, Futures Contracts on mini-sized New York Silver, Future Contracts on mini-sized New York Gold, and Futures Contracts on mini-sized Three Month Eurodollar Time Deposits, but only through and including January 2, 2004. — (c) 9A.~~

- (b)** Merchants' Exchange LLC, with respect to (i) Cash-Settled Brent Crude Oil Futures, (ii) Cash-Settled European Gas Oil Futures, (iii) Cash-Settled Light "Sweet" Crude Oil Futures, (iv) Cash-Settled Natural Gas Futures, (v) Cash-Settled No. 2 Heating Oil (New York Harbor Delivery) Futures, (vi) Cash-Settled Unleaded Gasoline (New York Harbor Delivery) Futures, (vii) Barge Freight Futures on the Illinois Waterway, and (viii) Barge Freight Futures on St. Louis Harbor ("ME Contracts"), as set forth more fully in Chapter 10.

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open Trades or positions in Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to such Participant's settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant's variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

Futures Contracts

Contracts for the purchase or sale of a Commodity for future delivery dealt in pursuant to the rules of an Exchange Market.

General Guaranty Fund

At any time, funds or other property of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, set aside and recorded on the books of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation in support of the Obligations of Participants in respect of Contracts on specified Markets in Rule 801.02.

Guaranty Funds

The General Guaranty Fund and such Special Guaranty Funds as are in existence from time to time.

Last Trading Day

The final day of trading in a Contract, as set forth in the rules of the relevant Market or in these Rules.

Margin

Original Margin (including super and special margin), Option premiums and variation settlements paid or payable by or to a Participant to or by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

Markets

Exchange Markets and OTC Markets.

Obligations

All financial obligations of a Participant arising under these Rules in respect of or arising out of Contracts, in either case however created, arising or evidenced, whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, existing, due or to become due.

Option

An Option on a Futures Contract or Option on a Commodity, dealt in pursuant to the rules of an Exchange Market.

OTC Contract

An agreement, contract, or transaction that is specifically identified in these Rules as an OTC Contract and submitted to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in accordance with these Rules and that is: (i) (A) an interest rate swap, option, or forward agreement, including a rate floor, rate cap, rate collar, cross-currency rate swap, basis swap, or forward rate agreement; (B) a same day-tomorrow, tomorrow-next, forward, or other foreign exchange or precious metals agreement; a currency swap, option, or forward agreement; (C) an equity index or equity swap; (D) a debt index or debt swap; (E) a credit spread or credit swap, option, or forward agreement; (F) a commodity index or commodity swap, option, or forward agreement; or (G) a weather swap, weather derivative, or weather option; (ii) similar to any other agreement, contract, or transaction referred to above that is a forward, swap, or option on one or more occurrences of any event, rates, currencies, commodities, economic or other indices or measures of economic or other risk or value; (iii) excluded from the Commodity Exchange Act under section 2(c), 2(d), 2(f), or 2(g) of such Act, or exempted under section 2(h) or 4(c) of such Act; or (iv) an option to enter into any, or any combination of, agreements, contracts or transactions referred to herein.

OTC Market

A market that is party to an agreement with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation for the provision of clearing services and that is specifically identified in these Rules as an OTC Market.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The following exchanges and markets are OTC Markets in respect of the following OTC Contracts:
- (a) Commodities Management Exchange, Inc. with respect to (i) CMX AL London NA A380 (Single-Day Settlement), (ii) CMX AL NA A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement), (iii) CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Single-Day Settlement), (iv) CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement), (v) CMX AL London Alloy (Single-Day Settlement), (vi) CMX AL London Alloy (Monthly-Average Settlement), (vii) CMX AL London Hi Grade (Single-Day Settlement), (viii) CMX AL London Hi Grade (Monthly-Average Settlement), (ix) CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Single-Day Settlement), (x) CMX AL Midwest Survey Transaction Price (Monthly-Average Settlement), (xi) CMX AL New York Primary (Single-Day Settlement), (xii) CMX AL New York Primary

(Monthly-Average Settlement), (xiii) CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Single-Day Settlement), and (xiv) CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Monthly-Average Settlement) (each, a "~~CMX~~CMX Contract,") and collectively, "CMX Contracts"), as set forth more fully in Chapter 11 and Appendix 11-A.

- (b) ChemConnect, Inc. with respect to (i) Ethane Forward (F.O.B. at Enterprise Product Partners L.P. facility at Mt. Belvieu, Texas), (ii) Ethane Swap (Settled to Ethane Forward), (iii) Options on Ethane Forward, (iv) Propane Forward (F.O.B. at Texas Eastern Pipeline Company facility at Mt. Belvieu, Texas), (v) Propane Swap (Settled to Propane Forward), (vi) Options on Propane Forward (each, a "~~ChemConnect~~ChemConnect Contract,") and collectively, "ChemConnect Contracts"), as set more fully in Chapter 12 and Appendix 12-A.
- (c) IntercontinentalExchange, Inc., with respect to (i) PJM West Peak Power Contracts, and (ii) Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice Peak Power Contracts (each, an "~~ICE~~ICE Contract,") and collectively, "ICE Contracts"), as set forth more fully in Chapter 13 and Appendix 13-A.

Participant

A ~~person~~ **Person** that has been approved by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation for the submission of Contracts and that is party to an agreement with the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation specifically relating to transactions in Contracts.

Person

An individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company, association, firm, trust, corporation or other entity, as the context may require.

President

The President of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

Rule

References to a "Rule" or "Rules" are references to the Rules of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

Settlement Price

The price, established in accordance with Rule 404, for each open ~~Contract~~. Contracts.

Special Guaranty Fund

One or more Guaranty Funds

The funds established by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation in support of the Obligations of certain Participants in respect of ~~certain Contracts in certain Markets.~~ Contracts made on or subject to the rules of the Markets specified herein.

... Interpretations and Policies:

.01 The following ~~guaranty fund~~ Guaranty Fund is a Special Guaranty Fund in respect of the following Markets:

- (a) Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund, with respect to (i) ~~Merchants'~~ Merchants' Exchange LLC, (ii) Commodities Management Exchange, Inc., (iii) ChemConnect, Inc., and (iv) IntercontinentalExchange, Inc.

Trades

Transactions in Contracts.

Transfer Trades

With respect to Exchange Contracts, transactions commonly referred to as give-ups, office transfers, exchanges of futures for physicals or exchanges of futures for swaps, as well as such other transactions in Exchange Contracts as may be defined as Transfer Trades by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. With respect to OTC Contracts, transactions in OTC Contracts that are defined as Transfer Trades by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

102. Scope and Interpretation.

- (a) The Rules set forth herein are applicable only to Trades and related obligations arising out of Exchange Contracts and OTC Contracts. In the event of a conflict between these Rules and the Bylaws of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, these Rules will prevail. In the event of a conflict between these Rules generally and Rules adopted by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation specifically governing Trades and related obligations made on a particular Market or particular types of transactions, the Rules specifically governing such Trades, obligations or transactions will prevail. More particularly:
 - (i) The Rules in Chapters 1 - 8 are supplemented for specific Markets and Contracts and Markets by the Rules in Chapters 9 *et seq.* (Thus, for example, the definitions in Rule 101 are supplemented, for purposes of Chapter 9 9A, by the additional definitions in Rule ~~9-101~~101A.) The Rules in Chapters 9 *et seq.* shall apply only to the ~~Exchange or~~ Market

or Contracts specified in the caption to such Chapter.

- (ii) Where the numbering of a Rule in Chapters 9 *et seq.* corresponds to that of a Rule in Chapters 1 - 8, the Rule in Chapters 1 - 8 is superseded to the extent applicable by the correspondingly numbered Rule in Chapter 9 *et seq.* (Thus, for example, references in Chapter 9 10 to the term "Settlement Price" mean the Settlement Price established in accordance with Rule 9 10-404.)
 - (iii) Where a Rule in Chapter 9 *et seq.* is "[Reserved]," the correspondingly numbered Rule in Chapters 1 - 8 is made expressly inapplicable to the Markets **Market** and Contracts that are the subject of the Rules in that Chapter.
- (b) In these Rules, unless a clear contrary intention appears, (a) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa, (b) reference to the masculine, feminine or neuter gender includes each other gender, (c) any reference to a number of days shall mean calendar days unless Business Days are specified, and (d) any reference to times shall mean the time in Chicago, Illinois. Except as otherwise specifically provided in these Rules, an act that otherwise would be required or permitted by these Rules to be performed on a date that is not a Business Day may be performed on the next day that is a Business Day.

2. MEMBERSHIP

201. Qualifications of Participants.

- (a) ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole power to determine whether any applicant for status of Participant, or any existing Participant, satisfies the qualifications established by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Only persons found by the Corporation to be so qualified shall be permitted to be Participants. For the purpose of determining whether any applicant or Participant is thus qualified, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may establish minimum capital and other financial requirements for Participants, examine the books and records of any applicant or Participant, and may take such other steps as it may deem necessary to ascertain the facts bearing upon the question of qualification.
- (b) In order to justify ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation assuming the risk of clearing their Trades, Participants must meet and maintain such standards of business integrity, financial capacity, creditworthiness, operational capability, experience and competence as may be established by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation from time to time. Without limitation of the foregoing, no applicant shall be admitted as a participant Participant unless:
- (i) It meets, at the time of admission and maintains thereafter, such minimum capital requirements as may be established from time to time by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~. — (ii) It has established satisfactory relationships with, and has designated to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~, an approved settlement bank for confirmation and payment of all Margins and settlements with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~. — (iii) It maintains back-office facilities staffed with experienced and competent personnel or has entered into a facilities management agreement in form and substance acceptable to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~. — (iv) CorporationThe Clearing Corporation;
- (ii) It makes and maintains so long as it is a Participant a deposit or deposits of Collateral in one or more Guaranty Funds as required by these Rules;
- (iii) It has established satisfactory relationships with, and has designated to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, an approved settlement bank for confirmation and payment of all Margins and settlements with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation;

- (iv) It maintains back-office facilities staffed with experienced and competent personnel or has entered into a facilities management agreement in form and substance acceptable to the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation; and
- (v) It files in a timely manner all reports and information relating to the Participant, Persons controlling the Participant, and related or affiliated organizations as required by these Rules or otherwise required by the Clearing ~~Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

202. Application for Participant Status.

- (a) Persons desiring to clear Trades through the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall make application in such form as shall be prescribed by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Each applicant must agree to abide by the ~~Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, Rules, interpretations and policies of the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation as in effect from time to time. ~~An applicant for status of a Participant~~ **Further, each person desiring to clear Trades in USD Contracts (as defined in Chapter 9A of these Rules) must abide by the applicable rules of EurexUS and must be a member of EurexUS. An applicant for Participant status** shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed to have no recourse against the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation in the event that its application to become a Participant is rejected.
- (b) Notwithstanding a sale or transfer **the termination** of Participant status, a Person qualified as a Participant agrees to be responsible for any violation of the Bylaws, Rules, interpretations and policies of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation committed by such Person while a Participant and agrees to have any disputes which arise while a Participant which relate to or arise out of any transaction with the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation or status of a Participant in the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation resolved in accordance with the Bylaws and Rules.

203. Restriction on Activity.

The failure to continue to comply with the conditions of the ~~Bylaws and Rules~~ may subject a Participant to a suspension or revocation of clearing privileges. In addition, or in the alternative, and in either case in its sole discretion, the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall be authorized: (a) to impose such additional capital, Margin or other requirements as it shall deem appropriate for the protection of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation and its Participants; (b) to allow such Participant to submit Trades solely for the Participant's own account; (c) to allow such Participant to submit Trades for liquidation only; (d) to limit or restrict the type of Contracts that may be cleared by such Participant in any of its accounts with the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The

Clearing Corporation; or (e) to limit or restrict the number of Contracts that are permitted to be maintained by such Participant in any of its accounts with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

204. Financial Statements of Participants.

Each Participant shall submit statements of its financial condition at such times and in such manner as shall be prescribed from time to time.

205. Parent Guarantee.

- (a) A Participant that is organized as a corporation, the majority of whose outstanding capital stock is owned or controlled by another corporation or by a partnership or limited liability company, shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if its controlling parent organization or individuals with a significant ownership interest guarantee the Participant's obligations relating to Contracts. For purposes of this paragraph, stock of a corporate applicant or Participant which is owned or controlled by an officer, stockholder, or partner of another organization will be considered owned or controlled by such other organization. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.
- (b) A partnership whose partners include one or more other partnerships, corporations or limited liability companies shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if all of its partners are general partners. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.
- (c) A limited liability company, the majority of whose membership interests are owned or controlled by another limited liability company or by a corporation or partnership, shall be approved for the clearing of Contracts only if its controlling parent organization or individuals with a significant ownership interest guarantee the Participant's obligations relating to Contracts. For purposes of this paragraph, membership interests which are owned or controlled by a manager, managing Participant, an officer, shareholder or partner of another organization will be considered owned or controlled by such other organization. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may, for good cause shown, waive this provision.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

~~.01~~ .01 The guarantee of a Participant's obligations required by this Rule shall, unless otherwise provided in particular cases, be applicable only to Trades made for a proprietary account (as such term is defined in ~~Commodity Futures Trading Commission Regulation 1.3(y)~~ or other non-customer accounts of the Participant.

206. Common Owner Guarantee.

~~(d)~~(a) No more than one Participant shall be owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the same Person unless:

(i) Each such Participant consents to the use by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation of any and all assets of the Participant in the possession of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation or under its control to satisfy the obligations of all such commonly owned or controlled Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation;

(ii) Each such Participant guarantees to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation all obligations of all such commonly owned or controlled Participants, including, without limitation, obligations arising out of house and customer account positions maintained by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation; and

(iii) Each such Participant irrevocably consents to its immediate suspension or expulsion from its status as a Participant ~~in the Clearing Corporation~~ should it fail timely and fully to honor its guarantee of the obligations of such commonly owned or controlled Participants or should such a commonly owned or controlled Participant fail to honor its guarantee of such Participant.

~~(e)~~ (b) ~~The~~ The Clearing Corporation may grant exemptions from the requirements of this Rule 206 for good cause shown if it determines

(b) that such exemptions will not jeopardize the financial integrity of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

207. Notices Required of Participants.

(a) Each Participant shall immediately notify ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, orally and in writing, of:

- (i) Any material adverse change in the Participant's financial condition including, but not limited to, a decline in net capital or, with respect to Participants that are not registered with the ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission as futures commission merchants, net worth equal of 20% or more, or if such Participant knows or has reason to believe that its adjusted net capital has fallen below ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation's minimum capital requirements;
- (ii) Any proposed material reduction (and, in all cases, if the reduction is 30% or more) in the Participant's operating capital, including the incurrence of a contingent liability which would materially affect the Participant's capital or other representations contained in the latest financial statement submitted to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation should such liability become fixed; provided, that any such reduction in operating capital shall not be effected by the Participant if ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation specifically objects thereto, in writing, within thirty days after receipt of written notice thereof;
- (iii) Any refusal of admission to, withdrawal of any application for membership in, any suspension, expulsion, bar, fine, censure, denial of membership, registration or license, withdrawal of any application for registration, cease and desist order, temporary or permanent injunction, denial of trading privileges, or any other sanction or discipline through an adverse determination, voluntary settlement or otherwise, by the ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, any commodity or securities exchange, clearing organization, the National Futures Association, the National Association of Securities Dealers, any self-regulatory organization or other business or professional association;
- (iv) The imposition of any restriction or limitation on the business conducted by the Participant on or with any securities or futures clearing organization or exchange (including, without limitation, any contract market, derivatives transaction facility, exempt board of trade, or other trading facility), other than restrictions or limitations imposed generally on all Participants of or participants in such clearing organization or exchange;
- (v) Any failure by such Participant, or any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206) to perform any of its material contracts, obligations or agreements;

- (vi) Any determination that it, or any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206), will be unable to perform any of its material contracts, obligations or agreements;
 - (vii) The insolvency of such Participant, or of any guarantor or commonly owned or controlled Participant (as provided in Rules 205 and 206);
 - (viii) The institution of any proceeding by or against the Participant, any affiliate of the Participant, or any Person with an ownership interest of greater than 5% in the Participant, under any provision of the bankruptcy laws of the United States, or under the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970, any other statute or equitable power of a court of like nature or purpose, in which such Participant or Person is designated as the bankrupt, debtor or equivalent, or a receiver is appointed or if a receiver, trustee or similar official is appointed for the Participant, such Person, or its or their property;
 - (ix) The receipt by such Participant, or the filing by such Participant with a self-regulatory organization, of a notice of material inadequacy; and
 - (x) The receipt by such Participant from its independent auditors of an audit opinion that is not unqualified.
- (b) Each Participant shall promptly provide written notice to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation of:
- (i) Any changes in its name, business address, its telephone or facsimile number, electronic mail address, or any number or access code for any electronic communication device used by it to communicate with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation;
 - (ii) Any proposed change in the organizational or ownership structure or management of a Participant ~~Firm~~; and
 - (iii) Any transfer, offer to transfer, or termination of an Exchange Market membership, where such membership has been designated under the rules of such Exchange Market for the benefit of the Participant.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 As used in paragraph (a)(i), the term “net capital” means the greatest of: (a) the minimum net capital requirement established by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation for such Participant; (b) with respect to a Participant that is a registered futures commission merchant, adjusted net capital as provided in ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission Regulation 1.17; and, (c) with respect to a Participant that is a registered broker-dealer, excess adjusted net capital as provided in Securities and Exchange Commission Regulation 15c3-1.

208. Exchange Membership.

~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may decline or restrict the ability of a Participant to clear Trades made on any Exchange where such Participant is not admitted to the privileges of membership or is not approved by such Exchange Market to clear Trades made on or subject to the rules of such Exchange Market.

209. Termination of Participant Status.

- (a) Upon the occurrence of a Termination Event (as defined herein), ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon a Participant or terminate the status of the Participant. In such circumstances, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, (i) decline to accept new Trades, (ii) cause open Contracts to be transferred to another clearing organization designated by the Market, with such security against claims and liabilities as ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall deem necessary for its protection, (iii) permit Trades to be tendered for liquidation only, (iv) cause open Contracts to be settled in cash or liquidated in the open market, and (v) otherwise take or omit to take such actions, or any combination thereof, as it deems necessary or appropriate in the circumstances.
- (b) As used herein, “Termination Event” shall mean the occurrence of any of the following:
- (i) The expiration or termination of the agreement for clearing services between ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and the relevant Market;
 - (ii) The expiration or termination of the agreement between the Participant and ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation;
 - (iii) A representation or warranty made by the Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation under or in connection with any agreement between ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and the Participant shall be false or misleading in any material respect as of the date on which made;

- (iv) The breach by the Participant of the Rules or any of the terms or provisions of any agreement between ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation and the Participant which is not remedied promptly after notice from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation; or
- (v) The Participant ~~shall be~~ is in Default.

3. CLEARING OF CONTRACTS

301. Effect of Clearance.

Trades submitted for clearance by or for the account of a Participant shall be submitted to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation as required by the Rules and the rules of the Market, and if ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation accepts the same, as provided in Rule 310, the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought such Contract from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation and the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold such Contract to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Upon such substitution, such buyers and sellers shall be released from their obligations to each other, and ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall be deemed to have succeeded to all the rights, and to have assumed all the obligations, of the original parties to such contracts, **to the extent provided in these Rules.**

302. Tender of Trades.

The filing of a Trade confirmation by or on behalf of a Participant, as hereinafter provided, shall be deemed a tender to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation for clearance of the Trade listed on such confirmation. These Rules shall constitute part of the terms of each Contract tendered to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

303. Adjustments.

- (a) Where a Futures Contract is cleared and the contract price is less than the Settlement Price of the day, the selling Participant shall pay to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation and the buying Participant shall receive from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation the difference between the value of the Futures Contract based upon the Settlement Price of the day and the contract price, **in accordance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation.** In like manner, if the contract price of a Futures Contract is more than the Settlement Price of the day, the buying Participant shall pay to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, and the selling Participant shall receive from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, the difference between the value of the Futures Contract based upon the Settlement Price of the day and the Contract price, **in accordance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation.**

- (b) Such payments shall be at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation. Thereupon, the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold such Futures Contract to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, and the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought such Futures Contract from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, in each case at the Settlement Price of the day. Thereafter, from day to day, to the extent such transaction remains open, similar payments shall be made to bring the Trade to the Settlement Price of that day, and after such payments have been made, the buying Participant shall be deemed to have bought, and the selling Participant shall be deemed to have sold, such Futures Contract to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation at the Settlement Price of such day.

304. Offsets.

Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, a Participant has bought from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given Futures Contract for a particular delivery, and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same Futures Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction, except as provided in Rule 311, and except with respect to Options. In like manner, where a Participant sells to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given Futures Contract for a particular delivery, and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same Futures Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction, except as provided in Rule 311, and except with respect to Options. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions, and shall be under no further liability to receive or make delivery with respect thereto. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

305. Trade Confirmations.

Each Business Day, the exact hours as from time to time fixed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, Participants shall file with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation confirmations, in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation (which, in the case of electronic trading systems that submit matched trades to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, shall be satisfied by confirming reports automatically generated by such system that contain the information set forth herein), covering Trades made during the day (including scratch Trades) showing for each Trade (a) the identity of both Participants, (b) whether bought or sold, (c) the quantity involved, (d) the delivery month, (e) the Contract expiration and series involved, (f) the price and/or premium, (g) whether for house, customer, non-customer or floor trader account, and (h) such other information

as may be required by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation to effect the matching of Trades between the buyer and the seller.

306. Disagreement in Trade Confirmations.

If a Trade confirmation of any Participant shall not correspond in all material respects with the confirmation of the other party to such Trade, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may reject such Trade and notify both Participants, setting forth the basis of such objection.

307. Statement of Trades and Positions.

~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall make available to a Participant a statement of Trades and positions for each Business Day on which such Participant has Trades to be cleared or a position open with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Such statement shall show the amounts the Participant shall pay to or receive from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation under Rule 303 and the amount of premium the Participant shall pay to or receive from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, in all cases at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

308. Daily Variation Settlements.

If the statement of Trades and positions made available to a Participant under Rule 307 shows a net balance in favor of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, the Participant shall, at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, pay such net balance to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Payment will be considered made hereunder only if made in a manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation and results in immediate credit to the account of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. If such statement shows a net balance in favor of the Participant, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall promptly pay, at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, the amount of such net balance to the Participant.

309. Statement of Original Margins and Premiums.

At the time a ~~Participant~~ a statement of the Participant's Trades and positions is made available pursuant to Rule 307, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall also make available a statement showing original Margins and Option premiums deposited by the Participant, the amount of such Margins and premiums required by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, and the Participant's net surplus of, or deficit in, such Margins and premiums.

310. Acceptance of Trades by Clearing Corporation.

~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall accept no Trades for clearance except for the account of its Participants. A Trade, except a Transfer Trade, is accepted upon either ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation's receipt and acknowledgment of a matched Trade or matching of Trade confirmations. A Transfer Trade is accepted upon receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to the Transfer Trade. Issuance by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, to a Participant, of a statement of Trades and positions as provided in Rule 307 shall constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement, except Transfer Trades, have been accepted by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.

311. Trades for Customers.

Where a Participant clears a Trade for a customer, whether a Participant member or non-Participant member of an Exchange Market, the Participant becomes liable to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation liable to the Participant on such Trade in the same manner and to the same extent as if the Trade were for the account of the Participant; provided, however, that Trades made on or subject to the rules of an Exchange Market and designated by the Participant as for the Participant's customer shall not be offset under Rule 304 against Trades designated by the Participant as for the Participant's own account.

312. Separate Accounts.

A Participant required by law to segregate a particular class of transactions with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall maintain a separate account for that purpose (the "separate account"). When appropriately so designated by the Participant, the separate account shall be treated as to Margins, Option premiums, daily variation settlements, deliveries and all other operations as though it were the account of a different Participant except that, (a) excess funds in any other account of the Participant may be allocated by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to the separate account to the extent necessary to meet applicable Margin and variation deposit requirements of these Rules, and (b) if the Participant is in Default under Rule 605 as to any account maintained by the Participant with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation or for any reason ceases to be a Participant, the open Trades in all such accounts may be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved and the deficit, if any, in the separate account applied to against the balance in any other account of the Participant. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall maintain all funds held in the separate accounts in accordance with relevant provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act and ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission regulations.

~~The shares of Clearing Corporation stock owned by a Participant shall secure all obligations of such Participant arising in connection with the separate account of such Participant.~~

313. Records.

Participants shall keep permanent records showing, with respect to each purchase or sale, the names of both Participants, the Futures Contract, Option series, quantity, date, price, delivery or expiration month, the name or account identifier of the customer for whom the Trade was made and such other information as may be required by law, regulation, or by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation. Such permanent records shall be retained for at least five years, either in original form or in such other form as ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may from time to time authorize, and shall be deemed the joint property of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and the Participant keeping such records. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to inspect or take temporary possession of such records at any time upon demand.

314. Reporting.

Participants shall make reports of their positions at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.

315. Limitation of Liability.

**** 1** ~~The liability of the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation **relating to or arising out of Contracts** shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation upon ~~contracts between Participants~~ Contracts in accordance with these Rules, **but in no event shall the amount of such liability exceed the amount on deposit in the General Guaranty Fund.** ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant; **or** obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of ~~its Participants~~ **a Participant**.

~~The liability of the Clearing Corporation shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of the Clearing Corporation upon contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of the Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall the Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.~~

316. Non-Acceptance of Trades.

In case of the non-acceptance of the Trades of any Participant, ~~the **Clearing Corporation**~~The Clearing Corporation shall be deemed to have incurred no obligations respecting the Trades that are not so accepted. It shall be incumbent upon the Participants who are parties to any such Trades to take such steps as the Participants may deem necessary or proper for such Participants' own protection.

317. Authority of President.

Without limitation of any authority conferred by the Certificate of Incorporation, the Bylaws, other provisions of these Rules, or resolutions of the Board or any committee of the Board, the President is authorized, should he deem it necessary or advisable, to take such action ~~consistent with the Risk Plan~~ as he deems necessary or appropriate for the protection of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. The President may take such action pending a meeting of the ~~Risk Committee~~ Board or committee of the Board, but shall modify or rescind such action if so instructed by the ~~Risk Committee or the Board~~ Board or such committee.

4. MARGIN AND SETTLEMENTS

401. Clearing Corporation Lien.

Each Participant agrees that ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall have a first lien and security interest on all Margin, Option premiums, Trades, positions and other property held in or for the accounts of such Participant as security for all obligations of such Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

402. Original Margin.

- (a) Margin deposits, other than variation deposits, shall be known as original Margin. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation on Trades in Contracts.
- (b) Original Margin shall be deposited in the manner prescribed in Rules 405 and 406. Upon performance or closing out of contracts thus secured, the original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Margin calls shall ordinarily be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may, in its sole discretion, depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin.

403. Variation Deposits.

Margin called by reason of market fluctuations shall be known as variation deposits and shall be paid to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation on demand in the manner prescribed by Rule 308. Variation deposits shall be deemed payments on account of Trades and positions for that Business Day and shall be reflected on statements of Trades and positions for that day. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation require additional variation deposits at any time to the extent of market fluctuations.

404. Settlement Price.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Rule, the ~~The~~ Settlement Price for each open Contract shall be determined at the close of each day's trading, through and including the Last Trading Day, as follows: (i) If a Contract is actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be the last Trade price, or a price established within the closing range, for that Contract. (ii) If a Contract is not actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be a price established within the current bids and offers, or based on a current bid or offer, for that Contract. (iii) If no current bids or offers are available for an Option, the Settlement Price shall be a price established (A) in relation to quoted spread prices against other actively traded Options of the same expiration date and underlying Futures Contract, or (B) using generally accepted theoretical relationships, or (C) in relation to other actively traded Options of the same underlying Futures Contract, or (D) in relation to the prices of the underlying Futures Contract or Commodity. (iv) If no current bids or offers are available for a Futures Contract, the Settlement Price shall be a price established (A) in relation to quoted spread prices against other actively traded Futures Contracts, or (B) in relation to other futures or Commodity prices **Exchange Contract shall be the price recommended for such Contract by the relevant Exchange Market as determined pursuant to the rules of such Exchange Market.**
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** in order to protect the respective interests of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** and Participants, the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** may establish the Settlement Price for any Contract at a price deemed appropriate by the ~~President~~ **Clearing Corporation** **The Clearing Corporation** under the circumstances. When the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** determines that circumstances necessitate the application of this paragraph, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded. (e) ~~In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, the Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, with one or more Markets and may consider all relevant market information.~~

405. Cash Margin Deposits.

If the statement of original Margins furnished to a Participant under Rule 309 shows a deficit in original Margins, such Participant shall, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**, pay an amount in U.S. Dollars, or foreign currency acceptable to the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**, sufficient to cover such deficit to the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**. Payment will be considered made hereunder only if made in a manner prescribed by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** and if such payment results in immediate credit to the account of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**.

406. Non-Cash Margin Deposits.

In lieu of maintaining original Margins in cash, as provided for in Rule 405, Participants may deposit such types of collateral as may be approved by ~~the Risk Committee of the Board or by the President, consistent with criteria established by the Risk Committee.~~ **The Clearing Corporation.**

~~Where a Participant defaults~~ **When a Participant is in default**, all non-cash Margins may be converted to cash or otherwise transferred by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** for the account of the Participant or its customers ~~without further notice.~~

407. Option Premiums.

Participants shall deposit Option premiums with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** at the time and in the manner prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation.**

5. DELIVERIES

501. Assignment of Deliveries. Delivery Notices.

A selling Participant obligated or desiring to make delivery of a Commodity shall issue and deliver to the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation a delivery notice containing the name and business address of the issuer of such notice; the date of issue; the date of delivery; the name of such Commodity; the total contracted quantity in satisfaction of which the delivery is being tendered; and such other information as the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation shall require. Delivery notices shall be furnished to the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation electronically in such form as may be specified by the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation.

The Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation shall assign deliveries to Participants having Contracts to take delivery, for their own account or for one or more customers, of the same or lesser amount of the same Commodity. The Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation shall notify such Participants of the deliveries that have been assigned to them and shall furnish to the Participant issuer of a delivery notice the name of the Participant obligated to accept delivery and the number of contracts for which such buying Participant is obligated. Participants receiving delivery notices shall assign delivery to the oldest open contracts on their books at the close of business on the previous day.

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502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery.

Issuance of a notice of intention to deliver by a Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer by such Participant to sell to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation the specified quantity of the Commodity involved, at the delivery price, and to purchase from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such notice by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall constitute its acceptance of the Participant's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made according to the Rules of the Clearing CorporationThe Clearing Corporation, and, to the extent not specified herein, to the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market and ~~the Rules of the Clearing Corporation~~.

Assignment of delivery to a Participant by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation to sell to such Participant the specified quantity of the Commodity involved,

at the delivery price, and to purchase from such Participant the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such assignment of delivery by such Participant shall constitute his acceptance of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made ~~according to~~pursuant to these Rules, and, to the extent not specified herein, the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market ~~and the Rules of the Clearing Corporation.~~

~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time delivery is required to be made, consider the corresponding sales to such assigned buyers made hereunder as having been settled and shall apply the opposing repurchase made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' futures positions with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

503. Delivery Price.

All deliveries on Futures Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price of the day preceding the day of issuance of notice of intention to deliver, or at the price required in the contract terms and conditions, if such terms and conditions require a different price. The statement of Trades and positions specified in Rule 307 will reflect futures positions closed by delivery and the amount of final adjustment bringing delivery prices to Settlement Prices of the day of notice.

504. Posting of Deliveries.

During each delivery month, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall cause to be posted, not later than the Business Day following the filing of notices of intention to deliver, the name of each Participant issuing notices of intention to deliver on Futures Contracts and the total amount of each Commodity tendered by such Participant for delivery, together with the name of each Participant ~~accepting assignment of~~to which such deliveries have been assigned and the total amount of each Commodity assigned to such Participant.

505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) ~~In the event~~ **If** a Participant fails to fulfill its delivery obligations as prescribed in these Rules, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation's** sole obligation shall be to pay reasonable damages proximately caused by the Default, but in no event shall ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** be obligated to: (i) pay any damages greater than the difference of the delivery price of the specific Commodity and the reasonable market price of such Commodity at the time delivery is required to be made in accordance with ~~the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market~~ and the Rules of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~; ~~(ii) make~~ **Corporation The Clearing Corporation and, to the extent not specified herein, the rules and regulations of the relevant Exchange Market;** (ii) **make** or accept delivery of the ~~actual~~ Commodity; (iii) pay any damages relating to the accuracy, genuineness, completeness, or acceptability of certificates, instruments, warehouse receipts or other similar documents; or (iv) pay any damages relating to the failure or insolvency of banks, custodians, escrow agents, depositories, warehouses, or similar entities that may be involved with a delivery.
- (b) Notwithstanding any **other** provision of these Rules, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** has no obligation or liability to any Participant or any other Person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation unless it is notified by the non-defaulting Participant of such failure as soon as possible, but in no event later than sixty minutes after the time the delivery obligation was to have been discharged in accordance with the **Rules of the Clearing Corporation** ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ **and, to the extent not specified herein, the** rules and regulations of the Exchange Market and the Rules of the Clearing Corporation. ~~(c)~~ **relevant Exchange Market.**
- (c) **If a buying Participant fails to effect payment to its assigned seller by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the selling Participant shall immediately notify the Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether the failure of the buying Participant to effect such payment was technical in nature and is likely to be remedied or whether the such buying Participant's failure to effect payment constitutes a delivery default. If the Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that the failure was technical in nature (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the buying Participant will be allowed to make payment subsequent to 1:00 p.m. (but in no event later than the time, if any, specified by The Clearing Corporation). If the Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that such failure constitutes a delivery default, the Clearing Corporation will instruct the selling Participant to sell the invoiced securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting buying Participant will in such circumstances be liable for the amount, if any, that the reasonable sale price of the invoiced securities (including costs) is less than the original invoiced amount.**

- (d) If a selling Participant fails to effect delivery to its assigned buyer by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the buying Participant shall immediately notify the Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether such failure to effect delivery is technical in nature and is likely to be remedied or whether such failure to effect delivery constitutes a delivery default. If the Clearing Corporation determines that such failure was technical in nature (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the selling Participant will be allowed to make delivery subsequent to 1:00 p.m. (but in no event later than the time, if any, specified by The Clearing Corporation). If the Clearing Corporation determines that the failure constitutes a delivery default, the Clearing Corporation will instruct the buying Participant to purchase substitute deliverable securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting selling Participant will in such circumstances be liable for the reasonable damages (including costs) incurred by the buying Participant relating to the purchase of the substitute securities.
- (e) Delivery obligations of a Participant to another Participant which that are not discharged timely (as provided in paragraphs (c) and (d)) and in full by the Participant shall thereupon be deemed an obligation of the ~~defaulting~~ such Participant to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation. The defaulting Participant's obligations to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation must be discharged by (i) not later than sixty minutes after the time such obligations originally were required to be discharged to the non-defaulting Participant, or (ii) such later time as may be established by The Clearing Corporation pursuant to paragraph (c) and (d).
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Rules to the contrary, The Clearing Corporation's delivery obligations to a non-defaulting buying or selling Participant shall in all cases be subject to the provisions of Rule 505(a) and Chapter 8 hereof.
- (g) Any claim for damages or other dispute relating to a delivery failure or default brought by one Participant against another shall be resolved by such Participants pursuant to binding arbitration before the National Futures Association ("NFA"). Failure by a Participant to comply with the NFA's determination may result in the suspension of the Participant's clearing privileges at the Clearing Corporation or such other or additional penalty (including, but not limited to assessment of fines and charges) as The Clearing Corporation may deem appropriate under the circumstances.

506. Assignment of Exercises of Options.

Upon receipt of notices of intention to exercise Options cleared through ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, issued by buyers in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall assign such exercises to eligible sellers in accordance with such rules and regulations. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall promptly notify selling Participants as to the exercises assigned to them and shall furnish to buying Participants the names of selling Participants obligated to accept such assignments. Delivery and payment shall be made in the time and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market.

Any Option not exercised by the date and time ~~and date~~ fixed for expiration of the Option in the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market shall not be exercisable.

507. Exercise Price.

All Option exercises shall be made at the strike price of the Option. The statement of Trades and positions issued pursuant to Rule 307 will reflect the offsetting of each Option that was exercised and assigned, Trades and positions in Futures Contracts resulting ~~from the exercise and assignment of Options~~ therefrom, and the amount of the final adjustment (being the strike price marked to the Settlement Price on the date day the Option ~~were exercised~~ was exercised).

508. Deliveries in the Event of Bankruptcy.

- (a) This Rule shall be applicable to Contracts made on or through the facilities of an Exchange Market as and to the extent such Exchange Market has in effect one or more rules (each, a "Bankruptcy Delivery Rule") adopted in accordance with ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission Regulation 190.05(b).
- (b) If any customer of a Participant that is a debtor shall wish to make or take delivery under a Futures Contract as provided in a Bankruptcy Delivery Rule, such customer shall deliver written notification thereof to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation not later than noon on the second Business Day, which Business Day must be within the current delivery period, following the date of the entry of the order for relief with respect to such debtor, whereupon such customer shall assume all of the obligations of the debtor to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and the opposite Participant with respect to such Futures Contract.
 - (i) If such customer is seeking to make delivery in fulfillment of such Futures Contract, such notification shall be accompanied by:

- (A) evidence, satisfactory to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, that the debtor, on behalf of the customer, or the customer, has presented a notice of delivery to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation; and
 - (B) evidence verifying to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation that the customer owns and has in its possession or under its control, such certificates, instruments, warehouse receipts or other documents as are required pursuant to the Rules and the Bankruptcy Delivery Rule to make delivery in fulfillment of such Contract.
- (ii) If such customer is seeking to take delivery in fulfillment of such futures Contract, such notification shall be accompanied by:
- (A) the notice of delivery which has been issued by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation to the debtor and allocated by the debtor to the customer, and
 - (B) evidence verifying to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation that the customer owns and has in its possession or under its control a certified check, drawn on an approved depository bank and made payable to the order of the opposite Participant in the full amount payable on the delivery of the Contract.
- (c) ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall provide to the opposite Participant copies of all information provided to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation pursuant to paragraph (b) above, provided, however, that ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall have no responsibility to investigate or otherwise verify the accuracy, genuineness or completeness of any certificate, instrument, warehouse receipt or other document or check delivered to or by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation pursuant to the Bankruptcy Delivery Rule and this Rule and shall, in no event, have any liability for the quantity or quality of the commodity or other interest delivered.

509. Cash Settlement.

After trading ceases on the last day of trading for Futures Contracts without physical delivery, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall consider the maintenance of an open position by a Participant to constitute an offer to sell to or an offer to purchase from ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation the specific quantity of the Futures Contract involved at the Settlement Price determined for such Futures Contract on the last day of trading in such contracts.

~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall, once trading in such Futures Contracts has terminated pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market, consider the corresponding sales or purchases made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' positions in Futures Contracts with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

601. Emergencies.

- (a) The Board, upon the affirmative vote of the Directors voting at a meeting where a quorum is deemed present, may adopt an emergency resolution which shall supersede and supplant all contrary or inconsistent resolutions or Rules. Absent extraordinary circumstances, a Director who has a substantial financial interest in the outcome of such a vote shall abstain from deliberating and voting on the matter in question.
- (b) An emergency resolution shall expire upon the happening of either of the following events: (i) the Board shall have voted to rescind the emergency resolution; or (ii) 90 days shall have elapsed since the emergency resolution was adopted.
- (c) All Trades, all accounts and positions with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, and all Participants shall be subject to the exercise of these emergency powers by the Board.
- (d) As used herein, the term “emergency” shall include without limitation all emergency circumstances now or hereafter referenced in the Commodity Exchange Act and the Regulations of the ~~Commodity Futures Trading Commission thereunder~~, and all other circumstances in which an emergency may lawfully be declared by the Board.
- (e) Except as otherwise stated in an emergency resolution adopted hereunder, the powers exercised by the Board under this Rule shall be in addition to and not in derogation of authority granted by the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws to a committee or officer of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to take action as specified therein.

602. Physical Emergencies.

In the event the physical functions of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation are, or are threatened to be, severely and adversely affected by a physical emergency such as, but not limited to, fire or other casualty, bomb threats, substantial inclement weather, power failures, communications breakdowns or transportation breakdowns, the Chairman, a Vice Chairman or the President of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation or, in their absence, another officer of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, is authorized to take such action as he or she shall deem necessary or appropriate to deal with such emergency.

603. Force Majeure.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall not be obligated to perform its obligations under these Rules or any agreement with a Participant relating to Contracts, or to compensate any person for losses occasioned by any delay or failure of performance, to the extent such delay or failure is the result of acts of God, lightning, earthquake, fire, epidemic, landslide, drought, hurricane, tornado, storm, explosion, flood, nuclear radiation, act of a public enemy or blockade, insurrection, riot or civil disturbance, strike or labor disturbance, or any other cause beyond ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation's reasonable control (whether or not similar to any of the foregoing).

If ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall, as a result of any of the above-described events, fail to perform any of its obligations, such failure shall be excused for a period equal to the period of delay caused by such event. In such an event, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall give written notice thereof to the affected Market or such Participant, as the case may be, as soon as it is reasonably practicable and attempt diligently to remove such condition.

604. Suspension of Rules.

The time frames fixed by these Rules, interpretations or policies of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation for the doing of any act or acts may be extended, or the doing of any act or acts required by these Rules or any interpretations ~~issued by the~~or policies of the Clearing Corporation may be waived, and any provision of these Rules or any interpretations ~~issued by the~~or policies of the Clearing Corporation may be suspended by the Board or by any officer of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation having a rank of Vice President or higher whenever, in the judgment of the Board or such officer, such extension, waiver or suspension is necessary or expedient. Any such extension or waiver may continue in effect after the event or events giving rise thereto but shall not continue in effect for more than thirty calendar days after the date thereof unless it shall be approved by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation within such period of thirty calendar days.

605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in ~~default~~ **Default** (i) who fails to meet any of the Participant's obligations upon the Participant's Contracts with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**, (ii) who fails to deposit Margin (whether original, special or variation) or premiums within one hour after demand by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**, or (iii) who is suspended or expelled by ~~the a Market,~~ or by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation**. Upon such default, ~~the Default, the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** may cause all open Trades of such Participant (**whether or not carried in a separate account as provided in Rule 312**) to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** and any debit balance owing to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** shall have the right:
- (i) With respect to open Trades in a separate account of such Participant provided for in Rule 312, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** as Margin for such account against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account and any other amounts owed to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing Corporation** as a result of transactions in the account or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the account;

- (ii) With respect to the open Trades in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such account, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation other than property which has been identified by such Participant as required to be segregated as provided for in Rule 312, against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in paragraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation;
- (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
- (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as The Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
- (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liquidation and disposition of positions, Margin and other property subject to a cross-margin, cross-netting or common banking and settlement arrangement between ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and another clearing organization shall be subject to the terms of the agreement between ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and such other clearing organization.

- (d) Any obligation of the ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of the ~~Bylaws or these Rules~~ shall be subject to all the terms of the ~~Bylaws and Rules~~, including the setoff and other rights set forth herein. The rights of the ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation set forth herein shall be in addition to other rights that the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of the ~~Bylaws and Rules~~, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

606. Fees; Fines and Charges.

- (a) Clearing fees and other charges for Clearing Corporation services shall be as fixed from time to time by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.
- (b) ~~In addition to any authority granted by the Bylaws, the~~ The President or his authorized representative may assess, in compliance with the policies and procedures of The Clearing Corporation, fines and charges against Participants, ~~as and to the extent authorized, for the failure to comply with the Bylaws, these Rules or any other requirement of the Clearing Corporation. A Participant may appeal to the Board of Directors a fine, or a charge in excess of \$500, on the grounds that such fine or charge is excessive or unreasonable. On appeal, the Board may assess a different or greater penalty.~~ Corporation The Clearing Corporation.

607. Trading by Employees Prohibited.

- (a) No employee of the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall:
- (i) trade or participate directly or indirectly in any transaction in any commodity interest, except to the extent necessary to carry out the provisions of Rule 605 or as otherwise permitted pursuant to an exemption granted in accordance with this Rule; or
- (ii) disclose any material, non-public information obtained as a result of such Person's employment with the ~~Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation where the employee has or should have a reasonable expectation that the information disclosed may assist another Person in trading any commodity interest; provided, that an employee is not prohibited from making disclosures in the course of the employee's duties, or to another self-regulatory organization, linked exchange, court of competent jurisdiction or representative of any agency or department of the federal or state government acting in his or her official capacity.

- (b) From time to time, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may adopt additional Rules which set forth circumstances under which exemptions from the trading prohibition contained in paragraph (a)(i) will be granted. The effectiveness of such rules and the procedures for administration of such rules shall be governed by applicable regulations of the ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission.
- (c) All terms used in this Rule shall be construed consistently with the definitions appearing in ~~Commodity Futures Trading~~ Commission Regulation 1.59.

608. Forms; Transmission of Data to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) In connection with any transaction or matter handled through, with or by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation under or pursuant to the Rules, the form of any required list, notice or other document shall be as from time to time prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, and additions to, changes in and elimination of any such forms may be made by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation at any time in its discretion.
- (b) A Participant may execute any document to be delivered to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation or to any other Participant pursuant to these Rules by means of a mechanically or electronically reproduced facsimile signature of a representative of the Participant; provided, that the Participant shall have complied with such requirements as may be prescribed by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in connection with the use of such facsimile signatures.

609. Just and Equitable Principles of Trade; Acts Detrimental to the Interest or Welfare of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall have the power to suspend or revoke clearing privileges or authorize the assessment of fines or charges against Participants for engaging in conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.
- (b) ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall have the power to suspend or revoke clearing privileges or authorize the assessment of fines or charges against Participants for engaging in acts detrimental to the interest or welfare of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.

610. Death, Disappearance or Incapacity of Individual Participant.

- (a) Upon the death, disappearance or incapacity (all as reasonably determined by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation) of an Individual Participant, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation and any debit balance owing to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of an Individual Participant as provided in paragraph (a), ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall have the right, with respect to any account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation from the disposition of open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation as Margin for such account, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, against (B) (i) any amounts paid by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in connection with the disposition of such open Trades, including any losses, commissions or other expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such account, and (ii) any other obligations of the Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation.
- (c) Any obligation of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of ~~the Bylaws or these Rules~~ shall be subject to all the terms of ~~the Bylaws and these Rules~~, including the setoff and other rights set forth herein and therein. The rights of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of the Rules, ~~the Bylaws~~, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall be authorized to take all such actions under this Rule as ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in its sole discretion determines is appropriate or necessary under the circumstances.

611. Construction in Accordance with Illinois Law.

The Rules of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, and all rights and obligations thereunder, shall be construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Illinois, without giving effect to the conflict of law provisions thereof.

7. ~~LINKED MARKET TRANSACTIONS~~

[RESERVED]

8. GUARANTY FUND

801. General Guaranty Fund.

- (a) *Collateral Requirements.* Each Participant shall make, and maintain so long as it is a Participant, a deposit or deposits of Collateral to the General Guaranty Fund in the form and in such amounts as may be determined by ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation from time to time in its sole discretion ("~~Required Contribution~~"). ~~The ("Required Contribution")~~. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall cause appropriate entries to be made in its books and records to reflect the deposit of Collateral into the General Guaranty Fund. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole right to withdraw cash, securities or other property from, ~~or~~ **and** to authorize the sale or other disposition of any securities or **other** property held in, the General Guaranty Fund.
- (b) *Participant Default; Application of Proceeds.* If a Participant is in Default and, as a result thereof, ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation suffers any loss or expense upon any liquidation or other disposition of a Participant's open Contracts, or a Participant shall fail to make any other payment or render any other performance required under ~~the~~ **these** Rules, then ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall (after appropriate application of Margin posted by such Participant and other funds in or payable to the accounts of the Participant) apply the Participant's contributions to the General Guaranty Fund, in the manner and in the order of priority set forth below:
- (i) **FIRST:** To the payment of the costs and expenses of any sale, collection or other realization of such Margin or Collateral, including, without limitation, fees and expenses of counsel, and all reasonable expenses, liabilities and advances made or incurred by ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in connection therewith;
 - (ii) **SECOND:** To the satisfaction of any deficiencies in the customer segregated ~~accounts~~ **fund account** (if any) maintained by such Participant pursuant to rules of the Commission resulting, caused by or arising, directly or indirectly, from such Default;
 - (iii) **THIRD:** To the payment of any other obligations of such Participant to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation (such other obligations, together with the costs and expenses, and deficiencies described in paragraphs (i) and (ii), the "~~General Reimbursement Obligations~~")**"Reimbursement Obligations"**);
 - (iv) **FOURTH:** To the payment of any other Obligations; and

(v) FIFTH: To or upon the order of the Participant that is in Default, to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same (including, without limitation, any insurer, surety or guarantor of the obligations of ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation) or as a court of competent jurisdiction may direct, of any surplus then remaining from such Proceeds.

(c) *Application of General Guaranty Fund; Other Funding.* If the Margin and other funds of a Participant that is in Default and its contributions to the General Guaranty Fund are insufficient to discharge in full the ~~General~~ Reimbursement Obligations of such Participant, any remaining deficiency shall be charged against the remaining assets in the General Guaranty Fund, pro rata from each other Participant's Participant's contributions thereto.

Any such deficiency shall remain a liability of the Participant to ~~GCC~~ The Clearing Corporation, which it may collect from any other assets of such Participant or by legal process.

(d) *Reimbursement of Collateral.* ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall notify Participants whenever an amount is paid out of the General Guaranty Fund to meet Obligations to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation as provided in paragraphs (b) or (c) above. If Collateral is ~~paid out of~~ withdrawn from the General Guaranty Fund pursuant to paragraph (c) and, as a result, the amount of Collateral credited to a Participant is less than the amount it was required to maintain pursuant to paragraph (a) immediately prior to such ~~pay-out~~ withdrawal, the Participant shall deposit additional Collateral into the General Guaranty Fund in an amount at least sufficient to ~~bring that Participant's total Collateral back to the required amount~~ restore that Participant's Required Contribution. All such additional Collateral shall be deposited prior to ~~The Clearing Corporation's~~ The Clearing Corporation's opening of business on the third Business Day following such notice or such later time as ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall determine in its sole discretion. A Participant that fails to deposit the full amount of such additional Collateral shall be in Default, and ~~The Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, debit such Participant's house margin account for any or all or such unpaid amount and assess fines and charges against such Participant as provided in Rule 606.

- (e) *Lien.* As security for any and all Obligations of a Participant to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation, including, but not limited to, the General Reimbursement Obligations, each Participant grants ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation a first -priority perfected security interest in the Participant's Participant's Collateral. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, all outstanding shares of Class A common stock of ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall be Collateral deposited in the General Guaranty Fund and subject to the foregoing grant of security interest until the same shall have been released in accordance with these Rules and the policies and practices of ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation **(including, but not limited to, release of such stock upon substitution of acceptable alternative collateral of equivalent value.)**
- (f) *Non-Interference.* A Participant shall take no action, including but not limited to attempting to obtain a court order, that could interfere with the ability of ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation to apply its Margin, Collateral or other assets.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01** As used in this Rule 801, "Participant" includes a Participant that has been suspended or expelled by ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation or whose privileges in respect of Trades and Contracts have been restricted pursuant to Rule 403.
- .02** The General Guaranty Fund is solely in respect of U.S. ~~Futures Exchange, L.L.C.~~ applicable Contracts traded on EurexUS

802. Special Guaranty Funds.

- (a) *Collateral Requirements.* ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation may from time to time require Participants who desire to clear Contracts traded on Markets other than U.S. ~~Futures Exchange, L.L.C.~~ EurexUS to provide Collateral for deposit into one or more Special Guaranty Funds. All such Collateral shall be in the form and in such amounts as may be determined by ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation from time to time in its sole discretion ("~~Required Contribution~~"). ~~The~~ **("Required Special Contribution")**. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall cause appropriate entries to be made in its books and records to reflect the deposit of Collateral into each such Special Guaranty Fund. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall have the sole right to withdraw cash, securities or other property from, ~~or~~ **and** to authorize the sale or other disposition of any securities or **other** property held in, a Special Guaranty Fund.

- (b) *Participants Default; Application of Proceeds.* If a Participant is in Default and, as a result thereof, ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation suffers any loss or expense upon any liquidation or other disposition of a Participant's open Contracts, or a Participant shall fail to make any other payment or render any other performance required under ~~the~~ these Rules, then ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation shall (after appropriate application of Margin posted by such Participant and other funds in or payable to the accounts of the Participant) apply the ~~Participant's contributions to one or more Special Guaranty Funds~~ Participant's contributions to the Special Guaranty Fund established in respect of each Market as to which the Participant is in Default, in the manner and in the order of priority set forth below:
- (i) FIRST: To the payment of the costs and expenses of any sale, collection or other realization of such Margin or Collateral, including, without limitation, fees and expenses of counsel, and all reasonable expenses, liabilities and advances made or incurred by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation in connection therewith;
 - (ii) SECOND: To the satisfaction of any deficiencies in the customer segregated accounts fund account maintained by Participants pursuant to the rules of the Commission resulting, caused by or arising, directly or indirectly, from such Default;
 - (iii) THIRD: To the payment of any other obligations of such Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation (such other obligations, together with the costs and expenses, and deficiencies described in paragraphs (i) and (ii), the "~~Special~~" Special Reimbursement Obligations");
 - (iv) FOURTH: To the payment of any other Obligations; and
 - (v) FIFTH: To or upon the order of the Participant that is in Default, to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation or to whomsoever may be lawfully entitled to receive the same (including, without limitation, any insurer, surety or guarantor of the obligations of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ The Clearing Corporation) or as a court of competent jurisdiction may direct, of any surplus then remaining from such Proceeds.

- (c) *Application of Special Guaranty Funds; Other Funding.* If the Margin and other funds of a Participant that is in Default and its contributions to a Special Guaranty Funds **Fund** are insufficient to discharge in full the **Special Reimbursement Obligations** of such Participant, any remaining deficiency shall be charged against the **remaining assets in such** Special Guaranty Fund(s), **ratably**, in proportion to the **amount of such** Special Reimbursement Obligations **that is, in the judgment of The Clearing Corporation, reasonably** attributable to the Market(s) that are supported by such **the** Special Guaranty Fund(s);

Any such deficiency shall remain a liability of the Participant to ~~GCC~~ **The Clearing Corporation**, which it may collect from any other assets of such Participant or by legal process.

- (d) *Reimbursement of Collateral.* ~~The Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation** shall notify Participants authorized to clear Contracts for a Market whenever an amount is paid out of the Special Guaranty Fund ~~related to that~~ **for such** Market to meet Obligations to ~~GCC~~ **The Clearing Corporation** as provided in paragraphs (b) or (c) above. If Collateral is ~~paid out of~~ **withdrawn from** a Special Guaranty Fund pursuant to paragraph (c) and, as a result, the amount of Collateral credited to a Participant is less than such Participant's **Participant's** Required **Special** Contribution, the Participant shall deposit additional Collateral into that Special Guaranty Fund in an amount such that ~~that~~ **Participant's the Participant's** total Collateral in that Special Guaranty Fund is at least equal to ~~the~~ **its** Required **Special** Contribution. All such additional Collateral shall be deposited prior to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation's** opening of business on the third Business Day following such assessment or such later time as ~~The Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation** shall determine in its sole discretion. A Participant that fails to deposit the full amount of such additional Collateral shall be in Default **and The Clearing Corporation, in addition to any other remedies that it may have, may assess fines and charges against such Participant as provided in Rule 606.**
- (e) *Lien.* As security for any and all Obligations of a Participant to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation**, including but not limited to, the Special Reimbursement Obligations, each Participant grants to ~~The Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation** a first -priority perfected security interest in the Collateral.
- (f) *Non-Interference.* A Participant shall take no action, including but not limited to attempting to obtain a court order, that could interfere with the ability of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation** to apply its Margin, Collateral or other assets.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

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- .01** As used in this Rule 802, "Participant" includes a Participant that has been suspended or expelled by ~~The Clearing Corporation~~**The Clearing Corporation** or whose privileges in respect of Trades and Contracts have been restricted pursuant to Rule 403.
- .02** **As used in this Rule 802, "Contract" means and includes only those Contracts identified in Interpretations and Policies .01(b) to the definition of the term "Exchange Market" and in Interpretations and Policies .01 (a), (b) and (c) to the definition of the term "OTC Market."**

9. U.S. FUTURES EXCHANGE, L.L.C.

9A. U.S. FUTURES EXCHANGE, L.L.C. – U.S. Dollar Denominated Contracts

The Rules in this Chapter 9A apply to the settlement and clearance of USD Contracts (as defined herein) traded on or subject to the rules of EurexUS.

9-101A. 9-101. Definitions.

Bank

For purposes of Rules 9-501 through 9-517, a A U.S. commercial bank (either Federal or State charter) that is a ~~Participant~~ **member** of the Federal Reserve System and has capital, surplus and undivided earnings in excess of \$100,000,000.

Eurex Commodity

Eurex Frankfurt AG, a German corporation.

Eurex Clearing

Eurex Clearing AG, Frankfurt, a German corporation.

EurexUS

U.S. Futures Exchange, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company. Any good, article, service, right or interest in which USD Contracts are dealt in.

Off-Order Book Trade

A trade **Trade** in **USD** Contracts ~~subject to the rules of EurexUS, other than an On-Order Book Trade~~, that is matched bilaterally ~~between two~~ for the account of Participants outside the EurexUS central order book or that is generated by EurexUS ~~on behalf~~ for the account of Participants other than through the EurexUS central order book, such as exchanges of futures for physicals (basis trades), exchanges of futures for swaps, block trades, strategy trades, volatility trades, and reverse trades (canceling erroneous trades), but not including a Post-Trade Transaction.

On-Order Book Trade

A trade **Trade in USD Contracts** that is matched in the central order book of EurexUS.

Post-Trade Transaction

~~Transfers of positions between Participants, give-ups, split-ups~~ With respect to a transaction or position in a USD Contract, the transfer of positions by one or more Participants, a give-up or split-up, and such other trade and position management and similar instructions as may be authorized from time to time by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

Range

A range, not greater than the highest trade price or less than the lowest trade price in the relevant USD Contract traded on EurexUS on the same Trading Day, in either case as increased or decreased by the amount(s) set forth in the rules of EurexUS.

Trading-Day USD Contract

~~The trading day as determined by EurexUS from time to time. Those Exchange Contracts denominated in U.S. Dollars and set forth in Interpretations and Policies .01(a) to the definition of “Exchange Markets” in Rule 101 with respect to EurexUS.~~

~~9-202. Application for Participant Status. 9-306A.~~ Reserved.

~~(a) Persons desiring to clear Trades through the Clearing Corporation shall make application in such form as shall be prescribed by the Clearing Corporation. Each applicant must agree to abide by the Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, Rules, interpretations and policies of the Clearing Corporation, and the rules of EurexUS, all as in effect from time to time. An applicant for status of a Participant shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed to have no recourse against the Clearing Corporation in the event that its application to become a participant is rejected. (b) Notwithstanding a sale or transfer of Participant status, a Person qualified as a Participant agrees to be responsible for any violation of the Bylaws, Rules, interpretations and policies of the Clearing Corporation committed by such Person while a Participant and agrees to have any disputes which arise while a Participant which relate to or arise out of any transaction with the Clearing Corporation or status of a Participant in the Clearing Corporation resolved in accordance with the Bylaws and Rules.~~

~~9-310~~ 9-310A. Acceptance of Trades by Clearing Corporation

In the case of all On-Order Book Trades, and Off-Order Book Trades falling within the Range, acceptance of the Trade occurs upon trade matching by the EurexUS trading system. In the case of Off-Order Book Trades falling outside the Range and all Post-Trade Transactions, acceptance shall occur upon receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to such Trades and Transactions.

~~9-315. Limitation of Liability.~~

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~~9-404. Settlement Price~~

~~(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Rule, the Settlement Price for each open Contract shall be determined as follows: (i) Except for Contracts using the EurexUS trading system that have a closing auction period, the Settlement Price shall be the price recommended for such Contract by EurexUS as determined in accordance with the rules of EurexUS. (ii) If a Contract using the EurexUS trading system has a closing auction period, the Settlement Price shall be the closing price as determined in accordance with the rules of EurexUS. (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by the Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of the Clearing Corporation and Participants, the Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any Contract at a price deemed appropriate by the Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When the Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of this paragraph, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded. (c) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, the Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, with one or more Markets and may consider all relevant market information.~~

~~9-501. Delivery Notices.~~

~~A seller obligated or desiring to make delivery of a Commodity shall issue and deliver to the Clearing Corporation a delivery notice containing the name and business address of the issuer of such notice; the date of issue; the date of delivery; the name of the Commodity; the total contracted quantity in satisfaction of which the delivery is being tendered and such other information as the Clearing Corporation shall direct in regard to any particular Commodity.~~

~~Delivery notices shall be furnished to the Clearing Corporation electronically in such form as may be specified by the Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation shall assign deliveries to Participants having Contracts to take delivery, for their own account or for one or more customers, of the same or lesser amount of the same Commodity. The Clearing Corporation shall notify such Participants of the deliveries which have been assigned to them and shall furnish to issuers of delivery notices the names of Participants obligated to accept their deliveries. Participants receiving delivery notices shall assign delivery to the oldest open contracts on their books at the close of business on the previous day.~~

~~Upon determining the buyers obligated to accept deliveries tendered by issuers of delivery notices, the Clearing Corporation shall furnish to each issuer the names of the buyers obligated to accept delivery from such Participant for each Commodity for which a notice was tendered and shall also inform the issuer of the number of contracts for which each buyer is obligated. Failure of the seller to object to such assignment by 7:00 a.m. on the business day preceding the intended date of delivery shall establish an irrebuttable presumption that the issuance of the delivery notice was authorized by the person in whose name the notice was issued.~~

~~9-502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery.~~

~~Issuance of a notice of intention to deliver by a Participant to the Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer by such Participant to sell to the Clearing Corporation the specified quantity of the Commodity involved, at the delivery price, and to purchase from the Clearing Corporation the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such notice by the Clearing Corporation shall constitute its acceptance of the Participant's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made according to the Rules of the Clearing Corporation.~~

~~Assignment of delivery to a Participant by the Clearing Corporation shall constitute an offer of the Clearing Corporation to sell to such Participant the specified quantity of the Commodity involved, at the delivery price, and to purchase from such Participant the same quantity of the same Commodity at the same price. Acceptance of such assignment of delivery by such Participant shall constitute his acceptance of the Clearing Corporation's offer to sell and repurchase. Such acceptance is effective at the time delivery is required to be made according to the Rules of the Clearing Corporation.~~

~~The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time delivery is required to be made, consider the corresponding sales to such assigned buyers made hereunder as having been settled and shall apply the opposing repurchase made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' futures positions with the Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.~~

~~9-504 Posting of Deliveries.~~

~~During each delivery month, the Clearing Corporation shall post, not later than the Business Day following the filing of notices of intention to deliver, the name of each Participant issuing notices of intention to deliver on Futures Contracts and the total amount of each Commodity tendered by such Participant for delivery, together with the name of each Participant accepting assignment of deliveries and the total amount of each Commodity assigned to such Participant.~~

~~9-505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.~~

~~(a) If a Participant fails to fulfill its delivery obligations as prescribed in these Rules, the Clearing Corporation's sole obligation shall be to pay reasonable damages proximately caused by the Default, but in no event shall the Clearing Corporation be obligated to: (i) pay any damages greater than the difference of the delivery price of the specific Commodity and the reasonable market price of such Commodity at the time delivery is required to be made in accordance with the rules and regulations of EurexUS and the Rules of the Clearing Corporation; (ii) make or accept delivery of the actual Commodity; (iii) pay any damages relating to the accuracy, genuineness, completeness, or acceptability of certificates, instruments, warehouse receipts or other similar documents; or (iv) pay any damages relating to the failure or insolvency of banks, custodians, escrow agents, depositories, warehouses, or similar entities that may be involved with a delivery. (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Rules, the Clearing Corporation has no obligation or liability to any Participant or any other Person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation unless it is notified by the non-defaulting Participant of such failure as soon as possible, but in no event later than sixty minutes after the time the delivery obligation was to have been discharged in accordance with the rules and regulations of EurexUS and the Rules of the Clearing Corporation. (c) Delivery obligations of a Participant to another Participant that are not discharged by the Participant shall thereupon be deemed an obligation of the defaulting Participant to the Clearing Corporation. The defaulting Participant's obligations to the Clearing Corporation must be discharged not later than sixty minutes after the time such obligations originally were required to be discharged to the non-defaulting Participant. (d) If a buying Participant fails to effect payment to its assigned seller by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the selling Participant must immediately notify the Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether the failure of the buying Participant to effect payment constitutes a technical failure that can be remedied or whether the buyer's failure to effect payment constitutes a delivery default. If the Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that the failure was caused by a technical failure (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the buyer will be allowed to make payment subsequent to 1:00 p.m. If the Clearing Corporation determines, in its sole discretion, that the failure constitutes a delivery default, the Clearing Corporation will instruct the selling Participant to sell the invoiced securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting buyer Participant will in such circumstances be liable to its assigned sellers for the amount, if any, that the reasonable sale price of the invoiced securities (including costs) is less than the original invoiced amount.~~

~~If a selling Participant fails to effect delivery to its assigned buyer by 1:00 p.m. on the date scheduled for delivery, the buying Participant must immediately notify the Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will then determine, in its sole discretion, whether the seller's failure to effect delivery constitutes a technical failure that can be remedied or whether the seller's failure to effect delivery constitutes a delivery default. If the Clearing Corporation determines that the failure was caused by a technical failure (including a bank instruction error or failure of the Federal Reserve wire), the seller will be allowed to make delivery subsequent to 1:00 p.m. If the Clearing Corporation determines that the failure constitutes a delivery default, the Clearing Corporation will instruct the buyer to purchase substitute deliverable securities as soon as reasonably practicable. The defaulting selling Participant will in such circumstances be liable to its assigned buyer(s) for the reasonable damages (including costs) incurred by the buyer(s) relating to the purchase of the substitute securities.~~

~~The Clearing Corporation's delivery guaranty to a non-defaulting buying or selling Participant shall in all cases be subject to the provisions of Rule 9-505(a) and Chapter 8 hereof.~~

~~Any claim for damages or other dispute relating to a delivery failure or default will be resolved between the applicable buying and selling Participants pursuant to binding arbitration before the National Futures Association ("NFA"). Failure by a Participant to comply with the NFA's resolution may be subject to charges or result in the suspension of the Participant's clearing privileges at the Clearing Corporation, or both.~~

9-510 9-510A. Report of Eligibility to Receive Delivery.

Prior to 8:00 p.m. (or by such other time designated by the ~~as may be specified by the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation) of each day on which delivery notices may be delivered to the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, each Participant shall report to the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, at such times and in such manner as shall be prescribed by the ~~Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, the amounts of its purchases of Commodities then eligible for delivery which remain open on its books in accordance with these Rules. Such reports shall show the dates on which such purchases were made, and shall exclude purchases to which the Participant has applied deliveries assigned to it but which remain open on its books pending receipt of delivery. With respect to omnibus accounts, the reports described above shall show the dates on which such purchases were made, as reflected on the ultimate customers' customers' account statements.

9-511 511A. Payment.

Payment shall be made in Federal Funds. The buying Participant obligated to take delivery must take delivery and make payment before 1:00 p.m. on the day of delivery except as otherwise provided in Rule 9-509 515A and on banking holidays when delivery must be taken and payment made before 9:30 a.m. on the next banking business day. Adjustments for differences between contract prices and delivery prices established by

~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall be made with ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

9-512. Buyer's 512A. Buyer's Banking Notification.

The buying Participant shall provide the selling Participant with notice, in such form as ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation may prescribe from time to time, setting forth: the identification number and name of the buying Participant; the delivery date; the notification number of the delivery assignment; the identification number and name of the selling Participant making delivery; the quantity of the Commodity being delivered; the buying Participant's bank and account number; and specific Federal Reserve wire instructions for the transfer of securities. Such notice shall be provided by 4:00 p.m. on the ~~business day~~ **Business Day** immediately prior to delivery day or by such other time as may be designated by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation.

9-513 513A. Standards.

The contract grade(s) for delivery on ~~Futures~~ **USD** Contracts made under these Rules, together with any premiums or discounts applicable thereto, shall be as set forth in the rules of EurexUS.

9-514. 514A. Deliveries on ~~Futures~~ **USD Contracts.**

Deliveries against U.S. Treasury securities ~~Futures~~ **underlying USD** Contracts shall be by book-entry transfer between accounts of Participants at Banks in accordance with Department of the Treasury Circular 300, Subpart O: Book-Entry Procedure. Delivery must be made no later than the last ~~business day~~ **Business Day** of the month. Notice of intention to deliver shall be given to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation by 8:00 p.m., or by such other time designated by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, on the second ~~business day~~ **Business Day** preceding delivery day. If the buying Participant does not agree with the terms of the invoice received from the selling Participant, the buying Participant must notify the selling Participant, and the dispute must be settled by 9:30 a.m. on delivery day. The selling Participant must have contract grade U.S. Treasury securities in place at its Bank in a form acceptable to its Bank for delivery no later than 10:00 a.m. on delivery day. The selling Participant must notify its Bank to transfer contract grade U.S. Treasury securities by book-entry to the buying Participant's **Participant's** account at the buying Participant's **Participant's** Bank on a delivery versus payment basis. On delivery day, the buying Participant shall make funds available by 7:30 a.m. and notify its Bank to accept contract grade U.S. Treasury ~~contracts~~ **securities** and to remit Federal Funds to the selling Participant's **Participant's** account at the selling Participant's **Participant's** Bank in payment for delivery therefor. Contract grade U.S. Treasury securities must be transferred and payment must be made before 1:00 p.m. on delivery day.

All deliveries shall be assigned by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Where a Participant of ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ has an interest both long and short for

customers on its own books, it must tender to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation such notices of intention to deliver as it received from its customers who are short.

9-515 515A. Wire Failure.

If delivery cannot be accomplished because of a failure of the Federal Reserve wire or because of a failure of either the buying ~~Participant's Bank's~~ Participant's or the selling ~~Participant's Bank's~~ Participant's Bank to have access to the Federal Reserve wire, delivery shall be made before 9:30 a.m. on the next business day on which the Federal Reserve wire or Bank access to it is operable. Interest shall, in such circumstances, accrue to the buyer beginning on the day on which the securities were to be originally delivered and shall be paid to the buyer by the seller. In the event of such failure, both the buyer and seller must provide documented evidence that the instructions were given to their respective Banks in accordance with Rules 9-511 511A and 9-514 514A and that all other provisions of Rules 9-511 511A and 9-514 514A have been complied with.

9-516 516A. Date of Delivery.

Delivery of U.S. Treasury securities may be made by the selling Participant upon any permissible delivery day of the delivery month that the seller may select. Delivery of U.S. Treasury securities must be made no later than the last business day of the delivery month.

9-517. Seller's 517A. Seller's Invoice to Buyers.

Upon determining the buyers obligated to accept deliveries tendered by issuers of delivery notices, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall promptly furnish each issuer the names of the buyers obligated to accept delivery from such issuer and a description of each Commodity security tendered by him ~~which~~ the issuer that was assigned by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation to each such buyer. Thereupon, sellers (issuers of delivery notices) shall prepare invoices addressed to their assigned buyers, describing the documents to be delivered to each such buyer. Such invoices shall show the amount which buyers must pay to sellers in settlement of the actual deliveries, based on the delivery prices established by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, and adjusted for applicable interest payments. Such invoices shall be delivered to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation by 2:00 p.m., or by such other time designated by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation, on the ~~business day~~ Business Day preceding the intended date of delivery, except on the next-to-last ~~business day~~ Business Day of the month, where such invoices shall be delivered to ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation by 3:00 p.m., or by such other time as may be designated by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation. Upon receipt of such invoices, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation shall promptly make them available to buyers in the manner determined by ~~the Clearing Corporation~~The Clearing Corporation from time to time.

10. MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE LLC

10-101. Definitions.

Exchange

The Merchants' Exchange LLC.

ME Contract

The term "ME Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "Exchange Market."

10-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of ME Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

10-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for each open ME Contract means the price for that Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this Rule, the daily Settlement Price for each open ME Contract shall be determined as follows:
 - (i) If an ME Contract is actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be the last Trade price or a price established within the closing range, for that Contract.
 - (ii) If an ME Contract is not actively traded during a trading day, the Settlement Price shall be a price established within the current bids and offers, or based on a current bid or offer, for that ME Contract.

- (iii) If no current bids or offers are available for an ME contract, the Settlement Price shall be a price established (A) in relation to quoted spread prices against other actively traded ME Contracts, or (B) in relation to other Futures, Option or Commodity prices.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of an ME Contract shall be the price required by the Exchange contract terms and conditions.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participants, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ME Contract at a price deemed appropriate under the circumstances. When ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of this paragraph, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded. ~~— (e) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, the Clearing Corporation may consult the Exchange and may consider all relevant market information.~~

10-501. Assignment of Deliveries.

**** 2** Upon receipt of notices of intention to deliver on Futures **ME** Contracts cleared through ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing** Corporation, issued by sellers in accordance with the rules and regulations of an **the** Exchange Market, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing** Corporation shall assign such deliveries to eligible buyers in accordance with such rules and regulations. ~~The Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing** Corporation shall promptly notify buyers as to deliveries assigned to them and shall furnish to sellers the names of buyers obligated to accept such deliveries from them. Delivery and payment ~~therefore~~ **therefor** shall be made by and between such buyers and sellers in the time and manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Exchange Market.

**** 3** If on the last notice day of a delivery month the total of notices of intention to deliver any Commodity is less than the total of Futures **ME** Contracts of such Commodity remaining open and required to be settled by delivery, ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ **The Clearing** Corporation shall allocate the total quantity of such Commodity tendered for final delivery pro rata, as near as may be practicable, among buyers entitled to receive delivery of such Commodity, and the ~~defaults~~ **shortfalls** shall be allocated in the same manner.

10-505. Delivery Default.

The Clearing Corporation shall under no circumstances be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of ME Contracts made on or through the facilities of the Exchange, nor shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any

Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery Obligation following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's assignment of Participant buyers to selling Participant as provided herein.

Following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments, the Participants shall be substituted in lieu of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as buyers and sellers in the ME Contracts between ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participant sellers and buyers, respectively, and the ME Contracts between such Participants and ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement.

11. COMMODITIES MANAGEMENT EXCHANGE, INC.

11-101. Definitions.

CMX

Commodities Management Exchange, Inc.

CMX Contract

The term "CMX Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "OTC Market."

CMX Trading System

The electronic Trade matching system operated by CMX for the trading of CMX Contracts.

11-304. Offsets.

Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 501, any Participant has bought from Clearing Corporation any amount of a given CMX Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same CMX Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given CMX Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same CMX Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.

11-310. Acceptance of Trades by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted by or on behalf of a Participant.

- (b) A Trade in a CMX Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation until the later of: (i) receipt of all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules by the Participants who are parties to the Trade, and (ii) thirty minutes after ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation's matching of Trade confirmations submitted by Participants. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such thirty-minute period decline to accept such Trade, whether or not ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation has received the Margin and other payments and deposits required to be made in respect thereof. In such an event, ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and CMX.
- (c) Issuance by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade is received or matched between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the times referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.
- .02 If ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation declines to accept a Trade (as provided in paragraph (b)), it will refund the Participants' Margin and other payments and deposits. In the event that one of the Participants is in Default, ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation will refund Margin, payments and deposits only to the Participant that is not in Default.

11-312. **Reserved.**

11-315. **Limitation of Liability.**

The liability of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of CMX Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall ~~the~~ The Clearing

Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

11-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for a CMX Contract means the price for such CMX Contract established by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in accordance with this Rule.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open CMX Contract shall be determined based upon the recommendation of CMX. In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of a CMX Contract shall be the price required by the terms and conditions established by CMX for such CMX Contract.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participants, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any CMX Contract at a price deemed appropriate by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) ~~In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, the Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committees of the Clearing Corporation or the Exchange, and may consider all relevant market information. (f) In no event shall the Settlement Price (including the Settlement Price for Final Settlement) of any CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (single-day swap) or CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (monthly-average swap) be less than \$.0005/pound.~~

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11-504. Reserved.

11-505. Delivery Default.

The Clearing Corporation shall under no circumstances be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of CMX Contracts made on or through the facilities of the Exchange, nor shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any

Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery Obligation following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's assignment of Participant buyers to selling Participant as provided herein.

The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time delivery is required to be made according to the rules of the Exchange and these Rules, consider the corresponding sales to such assigned buying Participants made hereunder as having been settled, shall adjust the respective Participants' positions with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules, and shall have no further obligation to Participants in respect of such CMX Contracts and positions.

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11-508. **Reserved.**

11-509. **Cash Settlement.**

After trading ceases on the Last Trading Day, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall deem the maintenance by a Participant of an open position in a CMX Contract to constitute an offer to sell to or buy from ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as the case may be, the specific quantity of the commodity or other interest that underlies such CMX Contract at the final Settlement Price established in accordance with Rule 11-404.

Cash settlement of CMX Contracts shall ordinarily be made on the second Business Day after the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall, at the time cash settlement is required to be made, consider the corresponding sales or purchases made hereunder as an adjustment of the respective Participants' positions with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the manner prescribed by these Rules.

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL London NA A380
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London NA A380 (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn NA A380 Day
Commodity Code	AA
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL London NA A380
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London NA A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn NA A380 MAS
Commodity Code	AB
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Survey A380
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Srvy A380 Day
Commodity Code	AC
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Survey A380
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Survey A380 (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Srvy A380 MAS
Commodity Code	AD
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**- Product Specification – CMX AL London Alloy
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Alloy (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Alloy Day
Commodity Code	AE
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL London Alloy
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Alloy (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Alloy MAS
Commodity Code	AF
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**- Product Specification – CMX AL London Hi Grade
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Hi Grade (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Hi Grade Day
Commodity Code	AG
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL London Hi Grade
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL London Hi Grade (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL Ldn Hi Grade MAS
Commodity Code	AH
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Trns Srvy Day
Commodity Code	AI
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL Midwest Transaction Price Survey (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Trns Srvy MAS
Commodity Code	AJ
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification –CMX AL New York Primary
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL New York Primary (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL NY Primary Day
Commodity Code	AK
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Third to last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Last Business Day of the contract month
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL New York Primary
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL New York Primary (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL NY Primary MAS
Commodity Code	AL
Contract Unit	44,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$22.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL MW Transaction Premium
(Single-Day Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Single-Day Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Prem PL Day
Commodity Code	AM
Contract Unit	440,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$220.00
Last Trading Day	Two Business Days preceding the third Wednesday of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Third Wednesday of the contract month. The Settlement Price for Final Settlement will in no event be less than .05 cents (\$.0005) per pound.
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

APPENDIX 11-A

**Product Specification – CMX AL MW Transaction Premium
(Monthly-Average Settlement)**

CMX Contract Description	CMX AL MW Transaction Premium (Monthly-Average Settlement)
Clearing Corporation Description	AL MW Prem PL MAS
Commodity Code	AN
Contract Unit	440,000 lbs.
Price Quotation	.05 cents (\$.0005) per pound
Minimum Price Fluctuation	.05 cents = \$220.00
Last Trading Day	Last Business Day of the contract month
Cash Settlement	Two Business Days following Last Trading Day. The Settlement Price for Final Settlement will in no event be less than .05 cents (\$.0005) per pound.
Contract Months	Monthly out to 60 months

12. CHEMCONNECT, INC.

12-101. Definitions.

ChemConnect

ChemConnect, Inc.

ChemConnect Contract

The term "ChemConnect Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "OTC Market."

Contract Value

As to any ChemConnect Contract on any day, the product of the current Settlement Price and the contract size per lot (as set forth in Appendix 12-A).

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605 or Rule 12-804 605.

Delivery Collateral

All collateral held by Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, in respect of a ChemConnect Contract following Final Settlement of any ChemConnect Contract that provides for physical delivery. "Original Delivery Collateral" and "Supplementary Delivery Collateral" shall have the meanings set forth given those terms in Rule 12-701(b) 501(b).

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open trades or positions in ChemConnect Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation to such Participant's settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant's variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The Clearing Corporation ordinarily will effect Final Settlement of ChemConnect Contracts by 6:40 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day in such ChemConnect Contract.

ChemConnect User Agreement

The agreement between ChemConnect and a Participant or Customer governing the responsibilities of parties to ChemConnect Contracts, including the terms for delivery thereof.

ChemConnect System

The system operated by ChemConnect for the trading of ChemConnect Contracts.

Escrow Payment Amount

The term “Escrow Payment Amount” has the meaning given that term in Rule 12-502(c).

Last Trading Day

As to any ChemConnect Contract, the last day on which a particular delivery month or expiration is available on the ChemConnect System.

Non-Defaulting Participant

The term “non-Defaulting Participant” has the meaning given that term in Rule 12-705 **505(b)**.

Swap Settlement Collateral

All collateral (including Initial Swap Collateral and Supplementary Swap Collateral) held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, following Final Settlement, in respect of a ChemConnect Contract that provides for cash settlement. **Initial Swap Collateral and Supplementary Swap Collateral have the meanings given those terms in Rule 12-501(e).**

12-304. Offsets.

- (a) Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, any Participant has bought from ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ChemConnect Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of the same ChemConnect Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ChemConnect Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same ChemConnect Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed *pro tanto* a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.
- (b) The Clearing Corporation will, upon direction from a Participant, establish one or more sub-accounts within such Participant's account at ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will ordinarily offset long and short positions in ChemConnect Contract that are identified by the Participant as having been made for such a sub-account.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 A Participant is permitted to establish one or more sub-accounts for itself or for Customers. In the event of a Default, the applicable Guaranty Funds will be applied only to the combined (net) position in those sub-accounts.

12-310. Acceptance of Trades by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted by or on behalf of a Participant.
- (b) A Trade (other than a Transfer Trade or a Block Trade) in a ChemConnect Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation until thirty minutes after ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation's receipt of ~~corresponding sides to a Trade submitted to it by~~ thereof from ChemConnect. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such period decline to accept such Trade. In that event, ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and ChemConnect.
- (c) A Transfer Trade shall not be accepted until ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation has received from the Participants who are parties to the Trade all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules.

- (d) A Block Trade shall be submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, together with such additional information as may be required and, if not rejected by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation within one hour of the submission thereof by ChemConnect, shall be deemed accepted by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. In the event that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation rejects a Block Trade, it will promptly notify the affected Participants and ChemConnect.
- (e) Issuance by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.
- (f) As used herein, (i) the term "Block Trade" shall mean a privately negotiated transaction in a ChemConnect Contract that is submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation by ChemConnect but not executed through the ChemConnect System.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade (other than a Block Trade) is received between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. In the event that a Block Trade is submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 8:00 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the time frames referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.

12-312. Reserved.

12-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation relating to or arising out of ChemConnect Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, nor shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

12-402. Original Margins.

- (a) Margin, other than variation settlements, shall be known as original Margin. The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation on Trades in ChemConnect Contracts. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ChemConnect Contract that settles by physical delivery shall be equal to at least 30% of the Contract Value. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ChemConnect Contract that cash settles shall be equal to at least 10% of the Contract Value.
- (b) When the amount callable shall have been fixed, such Margin shall be called by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. Normally, Margin calls will be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin. Upon performance or closing out of Contracts thus secured, original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation except as otherwise provided in Rules 12-501 and 12-502.
- (c) Original Margin may be required of Participants on a gross basis, without reduction for opposite positions in the same ChemConnect Contract, and shall be deposited in the manner prescribed by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.

12-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for a ChemConnect Contract means the price for such ChemConnect Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open ChemConnect Contract shall be determined by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation based upon the recommendation of ChemConnect. The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of a ChemConnect Contract shall be the price established pursuant to the terms and conditions of the ChemConnect Contract User Agreement.

- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participants, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ChemConnect Contract at a price deemed appropriate by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committees of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation or ChemConnect, and may consider all relevant market information.

12-501. Assignment of Deliveries and Swap Settlements.

- (a) By 3:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall assign buyers by account and sellers by account for delivery purposes. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the account-to-account assignments. Such notification shall be given by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall also notify ChemConnect of the account-to-account assignments. ChemConnect shall identify the names of and the contact information for the respective assigned accounts and provide such information to the Participants and ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.
- (b) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall instruct the Participant to deposit for credit to an escrow account maintained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation an amount equivalent to the original Margin requirement that is on deposit with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as of Final Settlement. Such amount shall be held in escrow by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Original Delivery Collateral. During the delivery month (from the second business day after Last Trading Day until delivery), the buying Participant and selling Participant will be required to deliver to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, for credit to an escrow account maintained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, such amounts (Supplementary Delivery Collateral) as required pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement. Such Supplementary Delivery Collateral will be transferred by wire transfer of immediately available funds of the United States of America to the escrow account designated by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation shall release Supplementary Delivery Collateral pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement.

- (c) In the event that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation is notified by both Participants that assigned accounts have agreed to the terms of an alternative delivery process, Delivery Collateral held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in respect of such assigned accounts shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 12-502(d)(iii).
- (d) By 3:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall assign buyers by account and sellers by account for swap settlement purposes. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the account-to-account assignments. Such notification shall be given by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall also notify ChemConnect of the account-to-account assignments. ChemConnect shall identify the names of and the contact information for the respective assigned accounts and provide such information to the Participants and ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.
- (e) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall instruct the Participant to deposit for credit to an escrow account maintained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation an amount equivalent to the original Margin requirement that is on deposit with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as of Final Settlement. Such amount shall be held in escrow by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Initial Swap Collateral. During the settlement month (from the second business day after Last Trading Day until swap settlement), the buying Participant and selling Participant ~~will be required to~~ **shall** deliver to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, for credit to an escrow account maintained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, such amounts (~~Supplementary Swap Collateral~~) ("**Supplementary Swap Collateral**") as required pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement. Such Supplementary Swap Collateral will be transferred by wire transfer of immediately available funds of the United States of America to the escrow account designated by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation shall release Supplementary Swap Collateral pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement.
- (f) In the event that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation is notified by both Participants that assigned accounts have agreed to the terms of an alternative swap process, Swap Settlement Collateral held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in respect of such assigned accounts shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 12-502(d)(iii).

12-502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery; Application of Delivery Collateral; Application of Swap Settlement Collateral.

- (a) A ChemConnect Contract that has not been liquidated or offset prior to the termination of trading on the Last Trading Day shall be settled by delivery or swap settlement in the manner established by the ChemConnect User Agreement unless otherwise settled pursuant to the terms of an alternative delivery process (as provided in Rule 12-501(c)) or alternative swap settlement as provided for in Rule 12-501(f).
- (b) Following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments ~~(as~~**as** provided in Rule 12-501(a)) or swap settlement (as provided ~~for~~ in Rule 12-501(d), ~~the~~), **The** Clearing Corporation shall assign Participant buyers receiving such notices to Participant sellers receiving such notices and the Participant buyers **and sellers** shall be substituted in lieu of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as **the buyer and seller in the such** ChemConnect Contracts ~~between the Clearing Corporation and Participant sellers, and the ChemConnect Contracts between Participant buyers and the sellers on the one hand, and The~~ Clearing Corporation **on the other hand** will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement. The buyer and seller Participants shall continue to be subject to the requirements of Rule 12-501 notwithstanding such substitution.
- (c) Pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement, with respect to delivery contracts, Participant buyers will be required to provide an amount that represents full payment to be held in escrow by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation (the "~~Eserowed~~**Escrow** Payment Amount"). The ~~Eserowed~~ **Escrow** Payment Amount will not be deemed to be an Obligation of the Participant buyer to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and ~~therefore, a failure of a Participant buyer to post the Eserowed~~ **Escrow** Payment Amount with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall not be ~~considered, by itself, constitute~~ a default under ~~the Clearing Corporation~~ Rule 12-605. The Clearing Corporation shall release any Escrow Payment Amount held by it as escrow agent at such time as **is** provided ~~for~~ **therefor** in the ChemConnect User Agreement.
- (d) Provided that a Participant has not **timely** notified ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation of a delivery default or swap settlement default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will release Delivery Collateral or Swap Settlement Collateral to the Participant that has posted the same as provided herein.
- (i) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a selling Participant on the tenth ~~(10th)~~ Business Day after the scheduled delivery day unless the ~~Counterparty~~ **assigned buying** Participant has provided timely written notice to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, that delivery was not made timely and in full.

- (ii) The Clearing Corporation will return any Delivery Collateral and Escrow Payment Amount deposited by a buying Participant on the tenth ~~(10th)~~ Business Day after the scheduled payment date established by ChemConnect unless the ~~Counterparty~~ **assigned selling** Participant has provided timely written notice to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, that such payment was not made timely and in full.
- (iii) The Clearing Corporation will return Swap Settlement Collateral deposited by a Participant on the second Business Day after the last day of the swap settlement month.
- (iv) Provided that a Participant has not notified ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation of a delivery default or swap settlement default, ~~the~~ **as provided herein, The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, will release any Delivery Collateral and Escrow Payment Amount or Swap Settlement Collateral, as applicable, to selling and buying Participants that have entered into an alternative delivery process (as provided in Rule 12-501(c)) or alternative swap settlement (as provided ~~for~~ in Rule 12-501(f)) on the second Business Day following notice of the alternative delivery process or alternative swap settlement. In the event that only one such Participant is in Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will, as escrow agent, release Delivery Collateral solely to the non-Defaulting Participant.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, receives written instructions signed by ChemConnect or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction to the effect that a Participant is entitled to receive an amount of Delivery Collateral, Escrow Payment Amount, or Swap Settlement Collateral identified in such written instructions or order, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall disburse such amount of such collateral to such Participant.

- (f) Beyond the exercise of reasonable care in the custody and preservation thereof, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will have no duty as to any Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount in its possession or control or in the possession or control of any sub-agent or bailee or any income therefrom or as to the preservation of rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining thereto. The Clearing Corporation will be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount in its possession or control if such Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow ~~payment~~ **Payment** Amount is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which it accords its own property, and will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage to any Margin, Delivery Collateral, Swap Settlement Collateral, or Escrow Payment Amount, or for any diminution in the value thereof, by reason of any act or omission of any sub-agent or bailee selected by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in good faith or by reason of any act or omission by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation pursuant to instructions from a Participant, except to the extent that such liability arises from ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's gross negligence or willful misconduct. THE CLEARING CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, COST, OR EXPENSE ARISING FROM THE FAILURE OF A PARTICIPANT OR CUSTOMER OR OTHER NON-PARTICIPANT TO PERFORM ANY OF ITS DELIVERY OR SWAP SETTLEMENT OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING THE POSTING OF DELIVERY COLLATERAL, SWAP SETTLEMENT COLLATERAL OR ESCROW PAYMENT AMOUNT.

12-503. Delivery Price; Swap Settlement Price.

- (a) All deliveries on ChemConnect Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price for such ChemConnect Contract on the Last Trading Day.
- (b) Pursuant to the terms of the ChemConnect User Agreement, the final swap settlement amount payable by either the seller or buyer, as appropriate, for a applicable ChemConnect Contract shall be the difference between the Settlement Price on the Last Trading Day and the arithmetic average of the daily market values of the underlying physical product as such values are determined in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

12-505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, shall not under any circumstance be obligated to make or accept deliveries or to make swap settlement payments in satisfaction of ChemConnect Contracts, nor shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation or make a swap settlement payment following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's assignment of delivery instructions and swap settlements as provided in Rule 12-501.
- (b) In the event that a Participant (a "Defaulting party") shall fail to fulfill its delivery obligations (including payment therefor) or its swap settlement obligations and the opposite Participant (the "non-Defaulting Participant") shall have given timely notice thereof as provided in Rule 12-502(c), ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's sole obligation, as escrow agent, shall be to release to the non-Defaulting Participant any Delivery Collateral or Swap Settlement Collateral, as applicable, held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in respect of the Defaulting party's positions, pursuant to the instructions of ChemConnect or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that more than one non-Defaulting Participant is entitled thereto, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall allocate such Delivery Collateral or ~~swap~~ **Swap** Settlement Collateral, as applicable, ratably among the non-Defaulting Participants pursuant to the instructions of ChemConnect or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that there is a conflict or inconsistency in respect of any such instructions, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to determine, in its sole discretion, the controlling instructions.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules (including, without limitation, Rule 12-605), ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, as escrow agent, holds Delivery Collateral, any Escrow Payment Amount, and Swap Settlement Collateral to secure the obligations of a Participant arising under ChemConnect Contracts and will not retain or apply Delivery Collateral, any Escrow Payment Amount, or Swap Settlement Collateral in satisfaction of a Participant's obligations to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.

12-605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in Default if such Participant (i) is in default under Rule 605, (ii) fails to meet any of its Obligations upon its Contracts with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, (iii) fails to deposit Margin within one hour after demand by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, (iv) fails to satisfy any of its obligations under Rule 802 or (v) is suspended, expelled or prohibited from trading by a Market or by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. Upon such Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon such Participant or terminate the status of the Participant, and may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and any debit balance owing to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall have the right:
- (i) With respect to open Trades in Contracts, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such accounts and any other amounts owed to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as a result of transactions in the accounts or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the accounts;
- (ii) With respect to all other open Trades (in ChemConnect Contracts or otherwise) held in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in subparagraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation;

- (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
 - (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
 - (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.
- (c) If the Board of Directors or the President shall (i) determine that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation is unable, for any reason, to close out any Contracts in a prompt and orderly fashion, or to convert to cash any Margin of a suspended Participant, or (ii) elects pursuant to paragraph (b)(v) not to close out any such Trades or Contracts, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may, solely for the purpose of reducing the risk to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation resulting from the continued maintenance of such positions or the continued holding of such Margin, authorize the execution of hedging transactions, including, without limitation, the purchase or sale of underlying commodities or commodities deemed similar thereto or Contracts on any such underlying or similar interests. Any authorization of hedging transactions shall be reported promptly to the Board, and any such Trades that are executed shall be reported to the Board on a daily basis. Any costs or expenses, including losses, sustained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in connection with transactions effected for its account as authorized hereby shall be charged to the account of the suspended Participant, and any gains realized on such transactions shall be credited to such account.
- (d) Any obligation of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of the Rules shall be subject to all the terms of the Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth in this Rule. The rights of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of these Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may declare a Participant that is in Default under this Rule 12-605 also to be in Default under ~~and~~ Rule 605.

Product Specification Ethane

** 4 Item	Specification
Contract Description	Propane Ethane Forward – TET Enterprise – Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Delivery	F.O.B. at Texas Eastern Enterprise Products Pipeline Company (TEPPCO) Partners L.P. facility in Mt. Belvieu, Texas. Product shall conform to industry standards for fungible liquefied propane ethane gas as determined by the Gas Processors Association(GPA HD-5).

** 5 Item	Specification
Contract Description	Propane Ethane Swap – Enterprise - Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Final Settlement/Clearing Corporation	Final Settlement Price for Last trading Trading Day
Final ChemConnect Swap Settlement Price	Arithmetic average of the daily market values for the underlying product as determined each Business Day during the swap settlement month in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

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Product Specification Ethane Propane

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Ethane Propane Forward – Enterprise TET - Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Delivery	F.O.B. at Enterprise Texas Eastern Products Partners L.P. Pipeline Company (TEPPCO) facility in Mt. Belvieu, Texas. Product shall conform to industry standards for fungible liquefied ethane propane gas as determined by the Gas Processors Association (GPA-HD-5).

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Ethane Propane Swap – Enterprise – Mt. Belvieu
Contract Size per lot	42,000 US Gallons (1,000 Barrels)
Currency	US Dollars and cents per Gallon
Last Trading Day	Last business day of the month preceding the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 24 consecutive calendar months.
Final Settlement/Clearing Corporation	Final Settlement Price for Last Trading Day
Final ChemConnect Swap Settlement Price	Arithmetic average of the daily market values for the underlying product as determined each Business Day during the swap settlement month in accordance with ChemConnect's policies.

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~~Product Specification Propane~~

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13. INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE, INC.

13-101. Definitions.

Contract Value

As to any ICE Contract on any day, the product of the current Settlement Price and the ~~contract~~ **Contract** size per lot (as set forth in Appendix 13-A).

Customer

A party, other than a Participant, that is obligated to make or receive physical delivery in settlement of an ICE Contract.

Daily Limit

“Daily Limit” shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13-310(g).

Default

Any event that would constitute a default under Rule 605 or Rule 13-605.

Delivery Collateral

Original Delivery Collateral and Supplementary Delivery Collateral held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as escrow agent in respect of an ICE Contract following Final Settlement of such ICE Contract. “Original Delivery Collateral” and “Supplementary Delivery Collateral” have the meanings set forth in Rule 13-501(c).

EEI Agreement

The form of Edison Electric Institute (**“EEI”**) Master Power Purchase & Sale Agreement (including the completed Cover Sheet thereto, plus the Collateral Annex and completed Paragraph 10) incorporated by reference into Annex F of the ICE Participant Agreement, as amended from time to time.

Final Settlement

With respect to a Participant that has open Trades or positions in ICE Contracts at the close of trading on the Last Trading Day, the issuance of instructions by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation to such Participant's settlement bank to debit or credit the Participant's variation settlement account on the next Business Day and the acceptance thereof by such settlement bank.

... Interpretations and Policies:

.01 The Clearing Corporation ordinarily will effect Final Settlement of a physically settled ICE Contract by 6:40 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day in such ICE Contract.

ICE

IntercontinentalExchange, Inc.

ICE Contract

The term "ICE Contract" has the meaning set forth in Rule 101 in relation to the definition of "OTC Market."

ICE Participant Agreement

The agreement between ICE and a Participant or Customer governing the responsibilities of parties to ICE Contracts, including the terms for delivery thereof.

ICE Trading System

The electronic Trade matching system operated by ICE for the trading of ICE Contracts.

Last Trading Day

As to any ICE Contract, the last day on which a particular delivery month or expiration is listed for trading on the ICE Trading System.

Non-Defaulting Participant

The term "non-Defaulting Participant" has the meaning given that term in Rule 13-505**(b)**.

13-304. Offsets.

- (a) Where, as the result of substitution under Rule 301, any Participant has bought from ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ICE Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and prior to such delivery, such Participant sells to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation any amount of the same ICE Contract for the same delivery, the subsequent transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. In like manner, where a Participant sells to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation any amount of a given ICE Contract for a particular delivery and subsequently, and before delivery, such Participant buys any amount of the same ICE Contract for the same delivery, the second transaction shall be deemed pro tanto a settlement or adjustment of the prior transaction. Thereupon, such Participant shall become liable to pay the loss or entitled to collect the profit, as the case may be, upon such adjusted transactions. For purposes of this Rule, the first Trades made shall be deemed the first Trades offset.
- (b) The Clearing Corporation will, upon direction from a Participant, establish one or more sub-accounts within such Participant's account at ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. The Clearing Corporation will ordinarily offset long and short positions in an ICE Contract that are identified by the Participant as having been made for such a sub-account.

13-307. Statement of Trades and Positions.

The Clearing Corporation shall make available to Participants a statement of Trades and positions for each Business Day on which such Participant has Trades to be cleared or a position open with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 Each ICE Contract represents either 400 MWhs of Western power or 800 MWhs of Eastern and Mid Continent power. One month of power will be represented by a number of Contracts equal to the number of NERC peak days in that month.

13-310. Acceptance of Trades by ~~the~~ **The Clearing Corporation.**

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall accept Trades for clearance only if such Trades are submitted on behalf of a Participant.
- (b) A Trade (other than a Transfer Trade or a Block Trade) in an ICE Contract shall not be deemed to be accepted by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation until thirty minutes after ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's receipt of a matched Trade submitted to it by ICE. The Clearing Corporation may at any time prior to the expiration of such period decline to accept such Trade. In that event, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will promptly notify the affected Participants and ICE.

- (c) A Transfer Trade shall not be accepted until ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation has received from the Participants who are parties to the Trade all payments and deposits required to be made pursuant to these Rules.
- (d) A Block Trade shall be submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, together with such additional information as may be required and, if not rejected by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation within one hour of the submission thereof, shall be deemed accepted by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. In the event that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation rejects a Block Trade, it will promptly notify the affected Participants and ICE.
- (e) Issuance by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation to a Participant of the statement of Trades and positions provided for in Rule 307 shall not constitute confirmation that the Trades listed on such statement have been accepted by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.
- (f) The Clearing Corporation may from time to time establish Daily Limits and may in such circumstances decline to accept for clearance Trades in ICE Contracts that exceed any such Daily Limit. Except as otherwise provided in a resolution adopted pursuant to Rule 601 or 602, Daily Limits shall not apply on the last two trading days for any ICE Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may in its discretion accept such a Trade if doing so will reduce ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's net exposure to a Participant. The Clearing Corporation will give Participants prompt notice of the adoption of Daily Limits.
- (g) As used herein, (i) the term "Block Trade" shall mean a privately negotiated transaction in an ICE Contract that is submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation by ICE but not executed through the ICE Trading System, and (ii) the term "Daily Limit" shall mean a price that is above or below the preceding day's Settlement Price by more than a specified increment.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation's normal business hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Business Days. In the event that a Trade (other than a Block Trade) is received or matched between 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 7:30 a.m. on the next Business Day. In the event that a Block Trade is submitted to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will not be deemed to have accepted such Trade until 8:00 a.m. on the next Business Day. On Business Days on which normal business hours do not apply, the time frames referenced above will be adjusted accordingly.

13-311. Trades for Customers.

Where a Participant clears a Trade for a Customer, the Participant for whose account such Trade has been cleared becomes liable to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation liable to such Participant on such Trade as if the Trade were for the account of the Participant, subject in all cases to the provisions of Rule 13-304.

13-312. Reserved.

13-315. Limitation of Liability.

The liability of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation relating or arising out of ICE Contracts shall be limited to losses resulting from the substitution of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation upon such contracts between Participants in accordance with these Rules, but in no event shall the amount of such liability hereunder or under any other provision of these Rules exceed the total amount on deposit in the Emerging Markets Guaranty Fund. The Clearing Corporation shall not be liable for obligations of a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to a non-Participant, obligations of a Participant to another Participant of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation who is acting for such other Participant as broker, or obligations of a Participant to a customer, not shall ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation become liable to make deliveries to or accept deliveries from a customer of its Participants.

13-402. Original Margin.

- (a) Margin, other than variation settlements, shall be known as original Margin. The Clearing Corporation shall, from time to time, fix the amount of original Margin which shall be called to protect ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation on Trades in ICE Contracts. On the Last Trading Day, original Margin for any ICE Contract that settles by physical delivery shall be equal to 50% of the Contract Value.
- (b) When the amount callable shall have been fixed, such Margin shall be called by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. Normally, Margin calls will be uniform, but where particular risks are deemed hazardous, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may depart from the rule of uniformity and call for additional Margin. Upon performance or closing out of Contracts thus secured, original Margin deposits may be withdrawn by the Participant upon the authorization of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation except as otherwise provided in Rules 13-501 and 13-502.
- (c) Original Margin may be required of Participants on a gross basis, without reduction for opposite positions in the same ICE Contract, and shall be deposited in the manner prescribed by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.

13-404. Settlement Prices.

- (a) The Settlement Price for an ICE Contract means the price for such ICE Contract established in accordance with this Rule at the close of each day's trading.
- (b) The Settlement Price for each open ICE Contract shall be determined by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation based upon the recommendation of ICE. The Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committee of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and may consider all relevant market information, including (but not limited to) price data from spot, forward, and derivative markets for both physical and financial products.
- (c) The Settlement Price for Final Settlement of an ICE Contract shall be the price required by the ICE Contract terms and conditions.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, when deemed necessary by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in order to protect the respective interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participants, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may establish the Settlement Price for any ICE Contract at a price deemed appropriate by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation under the circumstances. When ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation determines that circumstances necessitate the application of the powers conferred hereby, the reasons for that determination and the basis for the establishment of the Settlement Price in such circumstances shall be recorded.
- (e) In carrying out the responsibilities under this Rule, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may consult, as appropriate, any committees of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation or the Exchange, and may consider all relevant market information.

... **Interpretations and Policies:**

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may establish Daily Limits as provided in Rule 13-310. In such an event, the Settlement Price ordinarily will be established at a price that ~~is within~~ **does not exceed** such Daily Limit.

13-501. Assignment of Deliveries.

- (a) By 8:00 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, Participant buyers and Participant sellers shall report their gross long and short positions, respectively, and shall identify the holders (whether Participants or Customers) of each long and short position in an ICE Contract reflected on the books of such Participant.

- (b) By 10:00 a.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will provide ICE with a report of the long and short delivery positions held by Participants and Customers for delivery, as reported to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as provided in paragraph (a). ICE will provide ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation with instructions regarding the delivery assignment of all such open positions, including the names of the parties that are to make and take delivery and their Participants (if the Participant is not itself the party that is to make or take delivery), by no later than 4:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day. The Clearing Corporation shall thereupon notify Participants of the assignments made by ICE. Such notification shall be given by no later than 6:00 p.m. on the first Business Day following the Last Trading Day.
- (c) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, original Margin deposited by that Participant in respect of ICE Contracts that remain open after Final Settlement shall be retained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Original Delivery Collateral. Thereafter, such a Participant shall deposit with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation Supplementary Delivery Collateral in a form and manner acceptable to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and in an amount sufficient to cause the Delivery Collateral for each such ICE Contract to be equivalent to the Contract Value. Such Supplementary Delivery Collateral shall be deposited by no later than 5:00 p.m. on the third Business Day following the Last Trading Day. Failure to do so shall constitute a Default pursuant to Rule 13-605 and shall subject the Participant to discipline by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.
- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (c), assigned Participants shall not be required to deposit Supplementary Delivery Collateral if they have notified ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation that they have agreed to the terms of an alternative delivery arrangement. Any such notice shall be given by 3:30 p.m. on the second Business Day following the Last Trading Day or such later time and in such form as may be specified by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. In such an event, Original Delivery Collateral held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in respect of such deliveries shall be returned or released to the Participants as provided in Rule 13-502(c)(iii).

13-502. Purchases and Sales for Physical Delivery; Application of Delivery Collateral.

- (a) An ICE Contract that has not been liquidated or offset prior to the termination of trading on the Last Trading Day shall be settled by delivery in the manner established by the ICE Participant Agreement unless otherwise settled pursuant to the terms of an alternative delivery arrangement as provided in Rule 13-501(d).

- (b) Following ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation's issuance of notices regarding delivery assignments as provided in Rule 13-501(b), ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall assign Participant buyers to Participant sellers in accordance with the delivery assignments made by ICE, and the Participants shall be substituted in lieu of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as buyers and sellers in the ICE Contracts between ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation and Participant sellers and buyers, respectively, and the ICE Contracts between such Participants and ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will be deemed discharged and terminated, in each case effective from and after Final Settlement. The buyer and seller Participants shall continue to be subject to the requirements of Rule 13-501 notwithstanding such substitution. Following satisfaction of the obligations of the buyer and seller Participants as to Delivery Collateral under Rule 13-501(c), the contract between the Participants will be novated and replaced, as applicable, by a contract between the Customers making and receiving delivery with respect to such contract in accordance with the ICE Participant Agreement.
- (c) Acting solely in its capacity as escrow agent, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will release Delivery Collateral to the Participant that has posted the same as provided herein.
- (i) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a selling Participant on the third Business Day after the last delivery day unless the buying Participant has provided timely written notice to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation that delivery was not made timely and in full.
- (ii) The Clearing Corporation will return Delivery Collateral deposited by a buying Participant on the second Business Day after the scheduled payment date established by ICE unless the selling Participant has provided timely written notice to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation that such payment was not made timely and in full.
- (iii) Provided that a Participant is not in Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will release Original Delivery Collateral to selling and buying Participants that have entered into an alternative delivery arrangement (as provided in Rule 13-501(d)) on the third Business Day following the Last Trading Day. In the event that only one such Participant is in Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will release Original Delivery Collateral solely to the non-Defaulting Participant.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation receives written instructions signed by ICE or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction to the effect that a Participant is entitled to receive an amount of Delivery Collateral identified in such written instructions or order, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation will disburse such amount of Delivery Collateral to such Participant.

- Beyond the exercise of reasonable care in the custody and preservation thereof, ~~the~~
- (e) The Clearing Corporation will have no duty as to any Margin or Delivery Collateral in its possession or control or in the possession or control of any sub-agent or bailee or any income therefrom or as to the preservation of rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining thereto. The Clearing Corporation will be deemed to have exercised reasonable care in the custody and preservation of Margin or Delivery Collateral in its possession or control if such Margin or Delivery Collateral is accorded treatment substantially equal to that which it accords its own property, and will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage to any Margin or Delivery Collateral, or for any diminution in the value thereof, by reason of any act or omission of any sub-agent or bailee selected by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation in good faith or by reason of any act or omission by ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation pursuant to instructions from a Participant, except to the extent that such liability arises from ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation's gross negligence or willful misconduct. THE CLEARING CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, COST, OR EXPENSE ARISING FROM THE FAILURE OF A PARTICIPANT OR CUSTOMER OR OTHER NON-PARTICIPANT TO PERFORM ANY OF ITS DELIVERY OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING THE POSTING OF DELIVERY COLLATERAL.

13-503. Delivery Price.

All deliveries on ICE Contracts shall be made at the Settlement Price for such ICE Contract on the Last Trading Day.

13-505. Settlements on Defaulted Deliveries.

- (a) The Clearing Corporation shall not under any circumstance be obligated to make or accept deliveries in satisfaction of ICE Contracts, nor shall ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation have any obligation or liability to any Participant or to any other person relating to a failure to fulfill a delivery obligation following ~~the~~ The Clearing Corporation's assignment of delivery instructions as provided in Rule 13-501.

- (b) In the event that a Participant or Customer (a “Defaulting party”) shall fail to fulfill its delivery obligations (including payment therefor) and the opposite Participant (the “non-Defaulting Participant”) shall have given timely notice thereof as provided in Rule 13-502(c), ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation’s sole obligation shall be to release to the non-Defaulting Participant or its Customer, as appropriate, any Delivery Collateral held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in respect of the Defaulting party’s positions, pursuant to the instructions of ICE or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that more than one non-Defaulting Participant is entitled thereto, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall allocate such Delivery Collateral ratably among the non-Defaulting Participants pursuant to the instructions of ICE or a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that there is a conflict or inconsistency in respect of any such instructions, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall be entitled to determine, in its sole discretion, the controlling instructions.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Rules (including, without limitation, Rule 13-605), ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation holds Delivery Collateral solely as escrow agent to secure the obligations of a Participant or a Customer arising under ICE Contracts and will not retain or apply Delivery Collateral in satisfaction of a Participant’s obligations to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation.

13-510. Customer Deliveries.

At least five Business Days prior to the Last Trading Day, a Participant shall confirm that each Customer holding a position in the expiring month is qualified (in the manner determined by ICE) to effect delivery. A Participant may not clear a Trade for the account of a Customer at any time during the five Business Days preceding and including the Last Trading Day unless such Trade liquidates or offsets an existing position in the Customer’s account at the Participant or the Participant has confirmed or confirms promptly that the Customer is prepared (in a manner deemed satisfactory by ICE) to effect delivery. In the event that the Participant is unable timely to obtain such confirmation, it shall liquidate the Customer’s positions in the expiring ICE Contract prior to the close of trading on the Last Trading Day.

... Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 ICE has established the following requirements for Customers who wish to maintain open positions on and after five Business Days prior to the Last Trading Day in an ICE Contract:

PJM:

The Customer must be a ~~Participant~~ **member** of PJM.

Into Cinergy:

The seller must (a) own generation (greater than the short position) within the Cinergy grid, (b) have a source (greater than the short position) outside the Cinergy grid, together with sufficient firm transmission from the source to the Cinergy grid, or (c) have entered into a valid and binding bilateral transaction that offsets the ICE Contract.

The buyer must (a) have load (greater than the long position) within the Cinergy grid or (b) have load (greater than the long position) outside the Cinergy grid, together with sufficient firm transmission from the Cinergy grid to the load, or (c) have entered into a valid and binding bilateral transaction that offsets the ICE Contract.

13-605. Defaults.

- (a) A Participant is in Default if such Participant (i) is in default under Rule 605, (ii) fails to meet any of its obligations upon its Contracts with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, (iii) fails to deposit Margin within one hour after demand by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, or (iv) is suspended, expelled or prohibited from trading by a Market or by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation. Upon such Default, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may impose limitations, conditions and restrictions upon such Participant or terminate the status of the Participant, and may cause all open Trades of such Participant to be closed in the open market, transferred to any other Participant, or otherwise resolved as deemed appropriate by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and any debit balance owing to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall be immediately due and payable.
- (b) In closing, transferring or otherwise resolving the open Trades of a Participant as provided in paragraph (a) of this Rule, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation shall have the right:
 - (i) With respect to open Trades in Contracts, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades and any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin deposits in such accounts and any other amounts owed to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as a result of transactions in the accounts or otherwise lawfully chargeable against the accounts;

- (ii) With respect to all other open Trades (in ICE Contracts or otherwise) held in any other account of such Participant, to set off (A) any proceeds received by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation from the disposition of such open Trades, any property or proceeds thereof deposited with or held by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation as Margin for such accounts, and any other property of the Participant within the possession or control of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation against (B) any amounts paid by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in the disposition of such open Trades, including any commissions or other losses or expenses incurred in connection therewith or in connection with the liquidation of Margin in such account, and any other obligations of the Participant to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, including obligations of the Participant to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation remaining after the setoffs referred to in subparagraph (b)(i) of this Rule, and any obligations arising from any other accounts maintained by the Participant with ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation;
- (iii) To cause Trades and positions held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default to be offset against each other and, to the extent of any remaining imbalance, against the Trades and positions of other Participants;
- (iv) To cause Trades and positions in Contracts held in accounts of the Participant that is in Default and of other Participants to be settled at the Settlement Price for such Contracts, or at such other price or prices as ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances; and
- (v) To defer closing or otherwise settling such Trades and Contracts if, in its discretion, it determines that the closing out of some or all of the suspended Participant's Trades or Contracts would not be in the best interests of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation or other Participants, taking into account the size and nature of the positions in question, market conditions prevailing at the time, the potential market effects of such liquidating transactions as might be directed by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation, and such other circumstances as it deems relevant.

- (c) If the Board of Directors or the President shall (i) determine that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation is unable, for any reason, to close out any Contracts in a prompt and orderly fashion, or to convert to cash any Margin of a suspended Participant, or (ii) elects pursuant to paragraph (b)(v) not to close out any such Trades or Contracts, ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may, solely for the purpose of reducing the risk to ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation resulting from the continued maintenance of such positions or the continued holding of such Margin, authorize the execution of hedging transactions, including, without limitation, the purchase or sale of underlying commodities or commodities deemed similar thereto or Contracts on any such underlying or similar interests. Any authorization of hedging transactions shall be reported promptly to the Board, and any such Trades that are executed shall be reported to the Board on a daily basis. Any costs or expenses, including losses, sustained by ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation in connection with transactions effected for its account as authorized hereby shall be charged to the account of the suspended Participant, and any gains realized on such transactions shall be credited to such account.
- (d) Any obligation of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation to a Participant arising from a Trade or from any provision of the Rules shall be subject to all the terms of the Rules, including the setoff and other rights set forth in this Rule. The rights of ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation set forth in this Rule shall be in addition to other rights that ~~the~~ **The** Clearing Corporation may have under applicable law and governmental regulations, other provisions of these Rules, additional agreements with the Participant or any other source.

. . Interpretations and Policies:

- .01 The Clearing Corporation may declare a Participant that is in Default under this Rule 13-605 also to be in Default under ~~and~~ Rule 605.

Product Specification - PJM-West

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Physically settled US Power, Electricity Firm - LD Peak Physical, Fixed Price – PJM West Hub
Rate	50 MWh
Contract Size per lot	800 MWh
Unit of Trading	Trading takes place in multiples of 50 MWhs for a 16-hour peak day. 1 lot equals 800 peak MWhs per day. For example, a 5 lot position in a monthly contract for May 03 has a value of 5 (lots) x 21 peak days (22 minus 1 NERC holiday) x 50 (MWhs) x 16 (peak hours) = 84,000 MWhs. NOTE: For each ICE Contract, ICE will report to the The Clearing Corporation a quantity equal to the number of peak days in that delivery month. [For example, one 50MWhs ICE Contract for a month will be reported to the The Clearing Corporation as 21 “units,” each representing 800 MWhs (50 MWhs x 16 peak hours per day).] the The Clearing Corporation’s records, therefore, will reflect the number of units associated with ICE Contracts, and transactions reported by or to the The Clearing Corporation shall be effected in “units” (multiples of the number of peak days in the delivery month).
Delivery Schedule	Monday – Friday HE 08:00 HE 23:00 EPT excluding NERC Holidays
Currency	US Dollars and cents per MWh
Minimum Settlement Price Fluctuation	One US cent (\$0.01) per MWh
Last Trading Day	No Trades deliverable in the current month shall be made during the last three Business Days prior to the first calendar day of the delivery month.
Contract Series	Up to 72 consecutive calendar months commencing with the next calendar month.
Delivery	Physical delivery is effected pursuant to the terms of Annex F of the ICE Participant Agreement and the terms of the EEI Agreement incorporated by reference therein.

Product Specification - Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice

Item	Specification
Contract Description	Physically settled US Power, Electricity Into Peak Physical, Fixed Price – Into Cinergy, Sellers Daily Choice
Rate	50 MWh
Contract Size per lot	800 MWh
Unit of Trading	Trading takes place in multiples of 50 MWhs for a 16-hour peak day. 1 lot equals 800 peak MWhs per day. For example, a 5 lot position in a monthly contract for May 03 has a value of 5 (lots) x 21 peak days (22 minus 1 NERC holiday) x 50 (MWhs) x 16 (peak hours) = 84,000 MWhs. NOTE: For each ICE Contract, ICE will report to the The Clearing Corporation a quantity equal to the number of peak days in that delivery month. [For example, one 50MWhs ICE Contract for a month will be reported to the The Clearing Corporation as 21 “units,” each representing 800 MWhs (50 MWhs x 16 peak hours per day).] the The Clearing Corporation’s records, therefore, will reflect the number of units associated with ICE Contracts, and transactions reported by or to the The Clearing Corporation shall be effected in “units” (multiples of the number of peak days in the delivery month).
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