

CME Group Member Newsletter

March 2009

Since the CME Group/NYMEX merger in August 2008, we have been working to implement an integration plan that will ensure a seamless experience for all customers. As members, lessees and customers who trade on our trading floors, we want to keep you up-to-date on the latest integration news. Please look for a monthly update from the Trading Operations team – distributed in this newsletter and also available on www.cmegroup.com/integration.

NYMEX/COMEX TRADING FLOOR MIGRATION DATES

We would like to remind you of the following timeline for integrating our trading floors:

NYMEX PRODUCTS MOCK TRADING SESSIONS & MIGRATIONS		
Product	Mock Trading Sessions	Migration Date
Crude Oil	3/12/09 @ 3:00 PM 3/19/09 @ 3:00 PM	3/23
Unleaded Gas & Heating Oil	3/19/09 @ 3:00 PM	4/6
Natural Gas	4/1/09 @ 3:00 PM	4/20
Platinum & Palladium	Mid April	5/18

COMEX PRODUCTS MOCK TRADING SESSIONS & MIGRATIONS		
Product	Mock Trading Sessions	Migration Date
Gold & Silver Futures	Mid April	5/18
Gold & Silver Options	Mid April	5/18
Copper Futures & Options	Mid April	5/18

The objective of the mock trading sessions is to familiarize all market participants with the new trading environment. Exact dates and times for Platinum, Palladium and COMEX mock trading sessions will be communicated to you as we draw closer to their associated migration dates listed above.

We are committed to ensuring a seamless transition for you and thank you in advance for your patience and support. Please contact Sean Keating at 212.299.2135, Rob Stasi at 212.299.2067 or Liz Freeman at 212.299.2057 if you have any questions regarding the mock trading or migration schedules.

Crude Oil, RBOB, and Heating Oil Move Instructions

Trading Floor Support staff will be coordinating moves during the weekend of the migration. Moves for Crude Oil will take place Friday, March 20 through Saturday, March 21. Moves for RBOB and HO will take place Friday, April 3 through Saturday, April 4. The floor population also will be required to check all booth configurations as well as telecommunications (i.e. phones, wireless headsets and telex connectivity) during the Saturday of each move weekend. Boxes and carts will be available starting on the Friday of the move weekend. Dumpsters will be provided on the trading floor to dispose of anything no longer needed.

For questions regarding the process, please contact Adrianna Salzer at 212.299.2277 or Eileen Keilty at 312.341.3118.

Updated Telecom Fees Starting February Billing Cycle

As announced in December 2008, updated telecom fees will be implemented for the February 2009 billing cycle.

The fees schedule can be viewed on the integration site at <http://www.cmegroup.com/integration>.

Telecom Change Freeze

In order to prepare for the trading floor integration, telecom change requests for the COMEX floor will not be accepted after March 12 until further notice. A notice will be issued when the freeze on new change requests has been lifted.

Questions regarding telecom issues can be directed to Robert Mendez at 212.299.2963 or John Barbara at 212.299.2620.