

Market Surveillance

DATE: February 15, 2017
NOTICE #: MSN02-15-17
SUBJECT: Amendments to Expiring Month Position Limits for Live Cattle Futures

Beginning with the April 2017 contract month and beyond, and pending Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) approval, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (“CME” or “Exchange”) will implement a reduction in the spot month limit from 300 to 200 contracts as of the close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the last two (2) trading days of the contract month for the Live Cattle Futures contract. The initial spot month limit of 450 contracts shall continue to be in effect as of the close of trading on the first business day following the first Friday of the contract month and the second spot month limit of 300 contracts shall continue to be in effect as of the close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the last five (5) trading days of the contract month. The single month limit of 6,300 futures contract equivalents remains unchanged.

Pending CFTC approval, the third reduction in the spot month to 200 contracts, which shall take effect as of the close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the last 2 trading days of the contract month, will become effective as of the close of trading on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 for the April 2017 contract month.

Upon CFTC approval, the implementation of the third reduction in the spot month position limit to 200 contracts, as noted below and in [Appendix A](#) of CME Submission No. [17-054](#), will be inserted into the [CME Position Limit, Position Accountability and Reportable Level Table](#) located in the Interpretations and Special Notices Section of Chapter 5 of the CME Rulebook.

(bold/underline indicates addition; strikethrough indicates deletion)

Contract Name	Rule Chapter	Commodity Code	Contract Size and Unit	Initial Spot-Month Limit (In Net Futures Equivalents)	Initial Spot-Month Limit Effective Date	Subsequent Spot-Month Limit(s) (In Net Futures Equivalents)	Subsequent Spot-Month Limit(s) Effective Date(s)
Live Cattle Futures	101	48	40,000 Pounds	450	Close of trading on the first business day following the first Friday of the contract month	300 / <u>200</u>	300 at the close Close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the last 5 trading days of the contract month; <u>200 at the close of trading on the business day immediately preceding the last 2 trading days of the contract month</u>

The commodity codes are provided for the Clearing Members that file reports pursuant to CME Rule 561.A. in a machine-readable format.

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