

Chapter 218

Gulf Coast HSFO (Platts) Crack Spread BALMO Futures

218.01. SCOPE

The provisions of these rules shall apply to all contracts bought or sold on the Exchange for cash settlement based on the Floating Price.

218.02. FLOATING PRICE

The Floating Price for each contract month is equal to the balance-of-month arithmetic average of the mid-point between the high and low quotations from Platts Oilgram Price Report for Gulf Coast HSFO minus the NYMEX Light Sweet Crude Oil Futures first nearby contract month settlement price starting from the selected start date through the end of the contract month, inclusive.

218.03. CONTRACT QUANTITY AND VALUE

The contract quantity shall be 1,000 U.S. barrels. Each contract shall be valued as the contract quantity (1,000) multiplied by the settlement price.

218.04. CONTRACT MONTHS

Trading shall be conducted in contracts in such months as shall be determined by the Exchange.

218.05. PRICES AND FLUCTUATIONS

Prices shall be quoted in U.S. dollars and cents per barrel. The minimum price fluctuation shall be \$0.001 per barrel. There shall be no maximum price fluctuation.

218.06. TERMINATION OF TRADING

Trading shall cease on the last business day of the contract month.

218.07. FINAL SETTLEMENT

Delivery under the contract shall be by cash settlement. Final settlement, following termination of trading for a contract month, will be based on the Floating Price. The final settlement price will be the Floating Price calculated for each contract month.

218.08. EXCHANGE FOR RELATED POSITIONS

Any Exchange for Related Position (EFRP) transaction shall be governed by the provisions of Exchange Rule 538.

218.09. DISCLAIMER

See [NYMEX/COMEX Chapter iv. \("DISCLAIMERS"\)](#) incorporated herein by reference.