

Chapter 636

European Naphtha (Platts) Crack Spread BALMO Futures

636.01. SCOPE

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

636.02. FLOATING PRICE

The Floating Price for each contract month is equal to the balance-of-month arithmetic average of the high and low quotations from the Platts European Marketscan for Naphtha Physical under the heading "Cargoes CIF NWE Basis ARA" minus the Brent Crude Oil (ICE) Futures first nearby contract settlement price starting from the selected start date through the end of the contract month, inclusively (using Non-common pricing).

The settlement price of the first nearby Brent Crude Oil (ICE) Futures contract month will be used except on the last day of trading for the expiring Brent Crude Oil (ICE) Futures contract when the settlement price of the second nearby contract month will be used.

For purposes of determining the Floating Price, the Platts Naphtha assessment price will be converted each day to U.S. dollars and cents per barrel, rounded to the nearest cent. The conversion factor will be 8.9 barrels per metric ton.

636.03. 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.

636.04. CONTRACT MONTHS

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

636.05. 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.

636.06. TERMINATION OF TRADING

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

636.07. 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.

636.08. EXCHANGE OF FUTURES FOR RELATED POSITION TRANSACTIONS

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

636.09. DISCLAIMER

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