

Chapter 697

Brent Crude Oil vs. Dubai Crude Oil (Platts) Futures

697101. SCOPE OF CHAPTER

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

697102. CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

(A) The Floating Price for each contract month is the arithmetic average of the Brent Crude Oil (ICE) Futures first nearby contract settlement price minus the mid-point between the high and low quotations from Platts Crude Oil Marketwire for the Dubai front month price for each business day during the contract month (using Non-common pricing), except as noted in (B) below.

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

697103. TRADING SPECIFICATIONS

The number of months open for trading at a given time shall be determined by the Exchange.

697103.A. Trading Schedule

The hours of trading for this contract shall be determined by the Exchange.

697103.B. Trading Unit

The contract quantity shall be 1,000 U.S. barrels. Each contract shall be valued as the contract quantity (1000) multiplied by the settlement price.

697103.C. Price Increments

Prices shall be quoted in U.S. dollars and cents per barrel. The minimum price fluctuation shall be \$0.001 per barrel.

697103.D. Position Limits, Exemptions, Position Accountability and Reportable Levels

The applicable position limits and/or accountability levels, in addition to the reportable levels, are set forth in the Position Limit, Position Accountability and Reportable Level Table in the Interpretations & Special Notices Section of Chapter 5. A Person seeking an exemption from position limits for bona fide commercial purposes shall apply to the Market Regulation Department on forms provided by the Exchange, and the Market Regulation Department may grant qualified exemptions in its sole discretion. Refer to Rule 559 for requirements concerning the aggregation of positions and allowable exemptions from the specified position limits.

697103.E. Termination of Trading

Trading shall cease on last day of the contract month.

697103. FINAL SETTLEMENT

Final settlement 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.

697104. DISCLAIMER

See NYMEX/COMEX Chapter iv. ("DISCLAIMERS") incorporated herein by reference.