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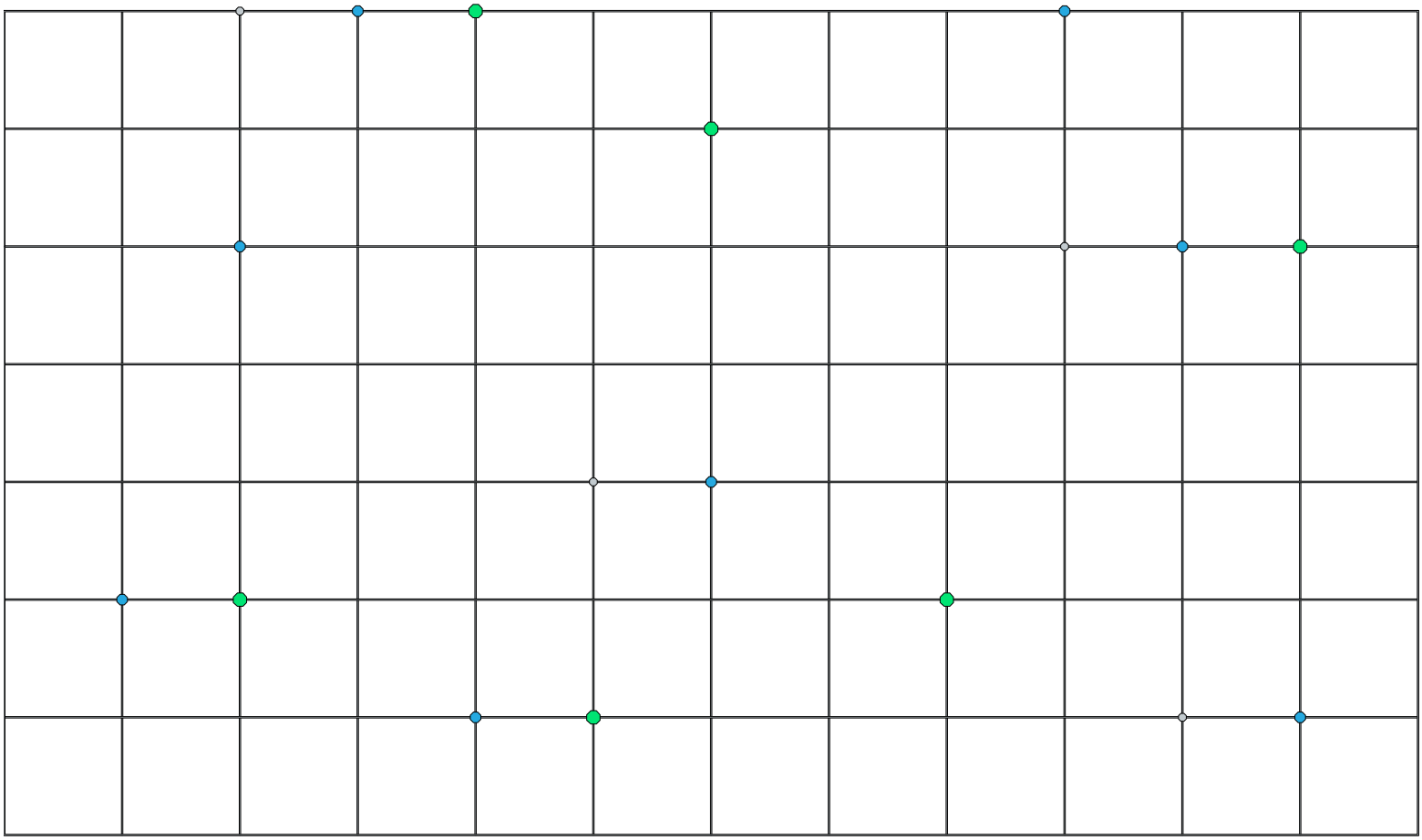
2026 CME Globex Test Script

October 24, 2026 – FIA DR Exercise

Instructions for trading firms and market access providers



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1. Important Information

On Saturday, October 24, CME Globex futures and options markets will participate in the Futures Industry Association (FIA) DR test. CME Group will make available CME Globex in its backup environment. The test window will commence at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Products on all CME Group exchanges (CME, CBOT, NYMEX, and COMEX) will be available for testing. All live markets will be closed during the exercise.

This test script is for trading firms and market access providers. If you represent a CME Clearing member firm, are a BrokerTec Americas customer, or are a CME Securities Clearing participant, please contact opres@cmegroup.com for the correct test script.

*There is no pre-test or ping test for CME Globex market participants. If you represent a firm that trades **and** clears, you should visit the FIA website to obtain the CME Clearing Test Script which details MQ ping testing instructions.*

New this year:

Test Window
CME's test window will run from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time. This is **one hour shorter** than previous exercises.

Connectivity Scenario
There will be **only one connectivity scenario this year**, where previously there were two. For the entire duration of the test window, participants will be able to connect from all locations **except** from CME's primary CoLo Glink connectivity at the Aurora datacenter. Connectivity will be allowed via LNET/Cermak. **Those using LNET must use the B feed.**

1.1 Scenario

Normal Production Operations Overview
During normal operations, CME Globex applications and environments run out of the primary data center. This facility also houses CME Group Co-Location. All global customer connectivity is routed back to this facility via the CME Group network.

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Test Scope: Disaster Recovery Scenario
The primary CME Aurora data center houses CME Globex markets and Co-location services. The out-of-region disaster recovery NYDC datacenter houses the backup CME Globex markets. CME Group will failover markets to the backup datacenter and route your traffic to backup CME Globex markets.

As mentioned at the top of this document, **CME will exercise one connectivity scenario. Customers should connect independent of the primary datacenter, via the same IP addresses or URLs as they normally do.** Customers who use third party market access providers for Production and/or DR connectivity are strongly encouraged to contact their providers as soon as possible to ensure they can participate without Glink access.

Scenario: CME Aurora Datacenter Outage: This scenario simulates an event that renders our Aurora datacenter unavailable. Because GLink is hosted at the production datacenter, you will be unable to access DR CME Globex markets from any co-located systems in CME Aurora. Firms with primary connections in Aurora must utilize their back-up order routing facilities. Firms that connect via GLink and do not have backup connectivity to CME Group will not be able to participate in this exercise. Customer **connectivity that is not dependent on CME Aurora/Glink will be maintained**; there will be no changes required by these customers.

If you are unsure whether you have an alternate connectivity solution in place, you should contact your Global Account Manager. Information about connectivity solutions is available on cmegroup.com

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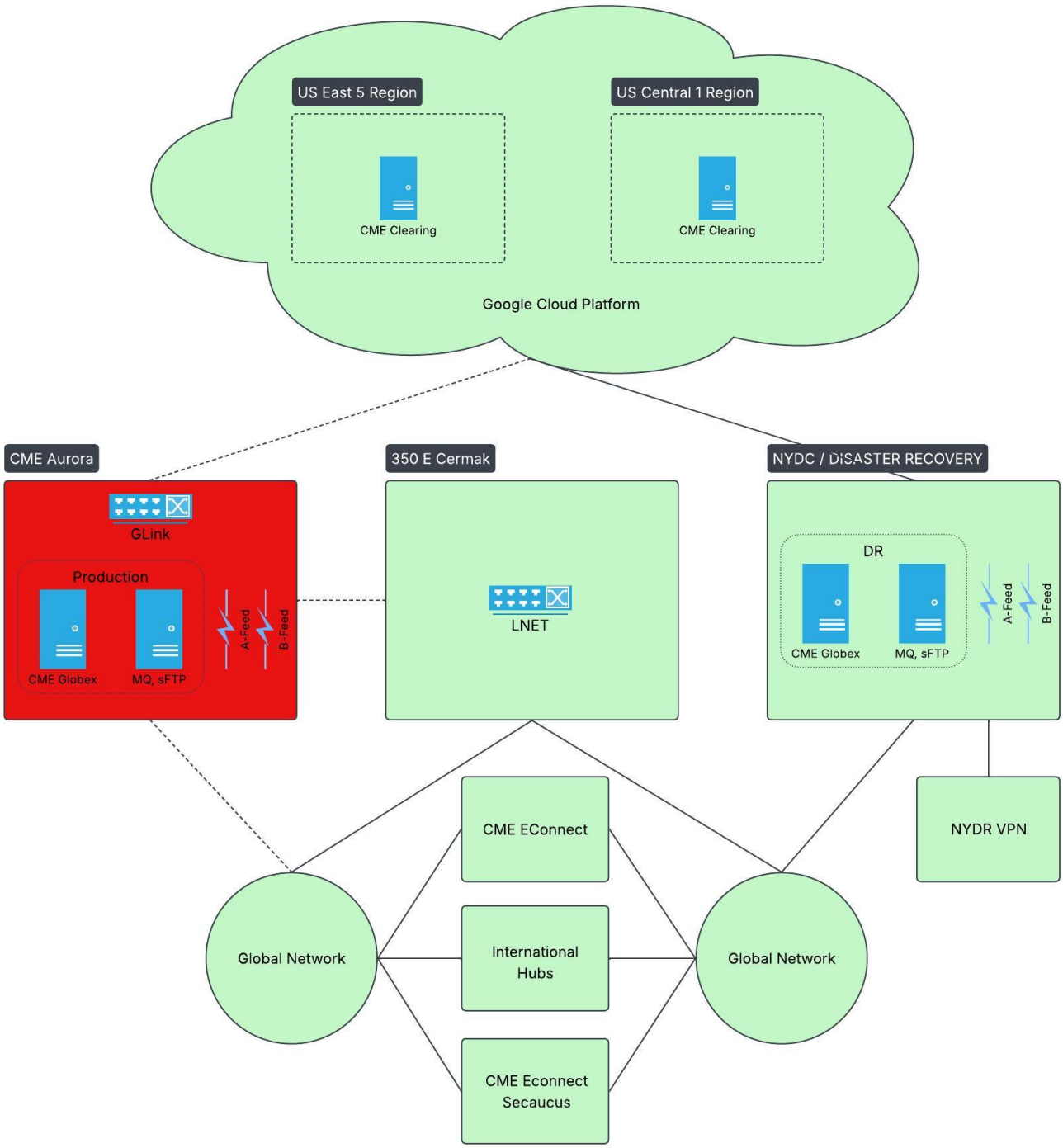
October 24 Industry Exercise – DR Connectivity Scenario



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2. Registration

CME Group is requesting that all trading firms and market access providers register to participate. You are only required to register once per firm, regardless of how many sessions you intend to establish and test. Firms that trade and clear must register on the FIA website to participate in CME Clearing testing.

A registration link will be available in upcoming CME Globex notices.

3. Communications / Test Day Support

Customer support during the test window will be available via the CME Group Global Command Center (GCC). Please call the GCC with any connectivity issues during the exercise.

- **The GCC is your main point of contact.**
  - United States: **+1 800 438 8616**
  - Europe **+44 20 7623 4747**
  - Asia **+65 6532 5010**
  - Japan **+81 3 6733 7559**
  - gcc@cmegroup.com
- **Any questions prior to, during or after the test may be directed to Operational Resilience at opres@cmegroup.com.**

4. October 24 Disaster Recovery Failover

CME Group will failover systems per its standard disaster recovery failover procedures. We expect this to be completed by 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on the morning of the test and will announce on the FIA conference call when DR Systems are available for testing and in an Open state.

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4.1.1. Test Date Trade Entry – no CME Globex Pre-Opening

On the day of the test, CME Globex DR systems will be available; **there is no Pre-Opening state.** We anticipate that the system should be available at approximately 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time and will make an announcement on the FIA conference call confirming availability.

4.1.2. Trade Entry and Submission to Hosted Exchanges

Trades entered into CME Globex during the exercise will be processed through to the appropriate hosted clearing organization.

For this exercise, the valid CME Globex trade date is Saturday, October 24.

Trade Entry – Entering Test Trades into Globex

Enter 5-10 test trades at the settlement price in the market you choose. **Firms can enter trades via iLink, CME Direct on a CME Globex product, and/or CME Direct Block trades** (if applicable to your firm.)

Firms may receive crossed trades and/or trades with other counterparties.

Trade reporting to firms' back-office systems should be verified and then deleted.

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5. End of Test

When you have completed your testing, please contact the GCC to acknowledge test completion. After the test, we will send you a brief questionnaire about your ability to establish a session and place an order.

CME Group prioritizes operational resilience, and we appreciate you taking the time to test with us. You can learn more about Operational Resilience at CME Group on our website or by contacting opres@cmegroup.com.

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