

TO: Clearing Member Firms; Back Office Managers

FROM: CME Clearing

DATE: December 19, 2018

ADVISORY #: 18-498

SUBJECT: **Grain Delivery Registration & Cancellation Fee Policy Changes**

Please be advised beginning with the January 2019 contract month, the CME Clearing Deliveries team (“Deliveries”) will harmonize commodity delivery registration and cancellation fees for all deliverable grain products, as reflected below:

Registration Fee per Certificate or Warehouse Receipt	\$2.00;
Cancellation Fee per Certificate or Warehouse Receipt	\$1.00.

In addition, due to an increase in administration costs associated with using electronic warehouse receipts as a collateral, Deliveries will assess warehousemen who deposit electronic warehouse receipts with Deliveries as collateral \$4.00 each time an electronic warehouse receipt is released back to the warehouse. The charge will be assessed monthly beginning January 2019 and included on the monthly invoice of each warehouseman’s Clearing Agent, beginning with the February 2019 monthly invoice.

Please note that the requirements under applicable rules with respect to warehousemen depositing warehouse receipts as collateral, require that each warehouse receipt received by Deliveries must correspond to an identical quantity and grade of grain represented in the corresponding shipping certificate. For example, 10 warehouse receipts should be provided as collateral where a warehouseman requests registration of 10 shipping certificates – a single warehouse receipt covering a quantity of grain reflected in more than one shipping certificate will not be accepted.

For any questions, please contact Laura Buschnyj, Director Global Deliveries & Settlement at 312.634.1598 or Terry Gehring, Manager Market Surveillance at 312.435.3644.