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**SUBJECT: Amendments to the Zinc Futures Contract** 

Beginning with the May 2017 contract month, the Commodity Exchange, Inc. ("COMEX" or "Exchange") will amend the Zinc futures (ZNC) contract to allow for the delivery of both duty paid and duty unpaid zinc meeting the specifications of the Zinc futures contract to be eligible for delivery against the futures contract. Currently, only duty paid zinc meeting the specifications of the Zinc futures contract is deliverable against the futures contract.

As such, regular warehouses for the storage of zinc for delivery against the Zinc futures contract must be located in a Free Trade Zone (FTZ). All zinc meeting contract specifications and stored at regular warehouses, including duty paid and duty unpaid zinc, shall be reported into the Exchange as eligible for delivery against the futures contract beginning with the May 2017 contract month.

In addition, effective at the close of trading April 27, 2017 for the May 2017 contract month, the Exchange shall reduce the spot month position limit for Zinc futures from 200 to 150 lots, as noted below and in Appendix C of COMEX Submission 17-127.

(bold, underline indicates addition; strikethrough indicates deletion)

Contract Name	Rule Chapter	Commodity Code	Contract Size and Unit	Reporting Level	Aggregate Into Futures Equivalent	Daily Accountability Level	Spot Limit (In Net Futures Equivalents)
Zinc Futures	186	ZNC	25 Metric Tons	25	ZNC	25	<del>200</del> - <u><b>150</b></u>

Effective close of trading April 27, 2017, and pending all relevant CFTC regulatory review periods, the amendments to the spot month position limit will be inserted into the <a href="NYMEX Position Limit">NYMEX Position Limit</a>, Position Accountability and Reportable Level Table located in the Interpretations & Special Notices Section of Chapter 5 of the NYMEX Rulebook.

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