

## Chapter 29

### Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM 1</sup> Futures

#### **29100. SCOPE OF CHAPTER**

This chapter is limited in application to futures trading of Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures (hereafter also referred to as “Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup>”). The procedures for trading, clearing, delivery and settlement of this contract and any other matters not specifically covered herein or in Chapter 7 shall be governed by the general rules of the Exchange.

#### **29101. CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS**

The contract grade shall be the final settlement price (as described in Rule 29104.) of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> on final settlement day (as described in Rule 29105.).

#### **29102. TRADING SPECIFICATIONS**

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

##### **29102.A. Trading Schedule**

The hours for trading of Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures shall be determined by the Exchange. Trading in an expiring contract shall cease at 1:30 p.m. Chicago time (2:30 p.m. Eastern time) on the last day of trading.

The market shall be opened and closed for all months simultaneously.

##### **29102.B. Trading Unit**

The unit of trading shall be \$100.00 times the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> price which corresponds to each futures contract.

January through December contract months for a given year shall use that year's Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> specifications.

##### **29102.C. Price Increments**

The price of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures shall be quoted in points. One point equals \$100.00. The minimum price fluctuation shall be 0.01 (1/100) points per contract (\$1.00 per contract). Contracts shall not be made on any other price basis.

##### **29102.D. Price Limits**

There are no price limits for Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures.

##### **29102.E. 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.

##### **29102.F. Termination of Trading**

The last day of trading in Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures shall be the third Wednesday of the contract month, or if the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> is not published for that day, the first preceding business day for which the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> was published.

After trading in contracts for future delivery in the current delivery month has ceased, outstanding

---

<sup>1</sup> “Bloomberg®”, “Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup>” are service marks of Bloomberg Finance L.P. and its affiliates (collectively, “Bloomberg”) and have been licensed for use for certain purposes by Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. Neither Bloomberg nor UBS Securities LLC and its affiliates (collectively, “UBS”) are affiliated with Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc., and Bloomberg and UBS do not approve, endorse, review, or recommend Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures. Neither Bloomberg nor UBS guarantees the timeliness, accurateness, or completeness of any data or information relating to Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup>.

contracts for such delivery shall be liquidated by cash settlement as prescribed in Rule 29103.

**29103. DELIVERY ON FUTURES CONTRACTS**

Delivery against the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures contracts must be made through the Clearing House. Delivery under these rules shall be on the final settlement day (as described in Rule 29105.) and shall be accomplished by cash settlement as hereinafter provided.

Clearing members holding open positions in a Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> futures contract at the time of termination of trading shall make payment to and receive payment through the Clearing House in accordance with normal variation settlement procedures based on a settlement price equal to the final settlement price (as described in Rule 29104.).

**29104. FINAL SETTLEMENT PRICE**

The final settlement price shall be based on a special quotation of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> which corresponds to the expiring contract as of the close of business on the final settlement day (as described in Rule 29105.). This special quotation will consist of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> which corresponds to the expiring contract calculated using the settlement prices of the component futures on final settlement day, except as noted below.

If an exchange that lists a component or components of the commodity index is not open on the final settlement day because of a scheduled closing, then the contribution to the final settlement price for the affected component or components shall be based on the settlement quotation of the first preceding trading day.

“Market Disruption Event” (“MDE”) shall mean: (a) the termination or suspension of, or material limitation or disruption in the trading of, any futures contract used in the calculation of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> on that day, including if due to the closing of an exchange prior to the regularly scheduled closing time of an exchange; (b) the settlement price of any such contract reflects the maximum permitted price change from the previous day’s settlement price; or (c) the failure of an exchange to publish official Settlement Prices for any such contract. If an MDE occurs on the expiration date, the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> contract will settle based on a special value calculated using all component futures prices as of the expiration date that were not subject to an MDE and, for any futures contracts which were subject to an MDE, using the next available futures settlement price for which an MDE is no longer in effect, with a delay limited to 10 business days from the original expiration date. If, on the 10<sup>th</sup> business day, an MDE is still in effect for the affected contracts, then Bloomberg Finance L.P. and the Chicago Board of Trade will agree upon an appropriate estimated futures price or prices to be used to calculate the final adjusted settlement value of the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup>.

**29105. FINAL SETTLEMENT DAY**

The final settlement day shall be defined as the third Wednesday of the contract month, or if the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> is not published for that day, the first preceding business day for which the Bloomberg Commodity Index<sup>SM</sup> was published.

**29106. BASIS TRADE AT INDEX CLOSE (“BTIC”) TRANSACTIONS**

All BTIC transactions must be executed in accordance with the requirements of Rule 524.B.

**29106.A. BTIC Block Trade Requirements**

BTIC block trades must be executed in accordance with the requirements of Rule 526. For a BTIC block trade executed on a given Trading Day on or before the scheduled close of the underlying primary securities market, the corresponding futures price shall be made by reference to the Index closing value for the current Trading Day. For a BTIC block trade executed on a given Trading Day after the scheduled close of the underlying primary securities market, the corresponding futures price shall be made by reference to the Index closing value for the next Trading Day.

**29106.B. BTIC Price Assignment Procedures**

The price assignment procedures for BTIC transactions shall follow Rule 524.B.3.

**29106.C. BTIC Minimum Price Increment**

The valid basis or price increment applied to the Index closing value to establish the BTIC futures price must be stated in full tick increments of 0.010 index points.