MARKET REGULATION ADVISORY NOTICE

Exchange	CME, CBOT, NYMEX & COMEX
Subject	Illegal Money Passing Between Accounts
Rule References	Rule 432
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On November 29, 2010, CME, CBOT, NYMEX and COMEX implemented amended Rule 432 ("General Offenses") to provide additional clarity that it is an offense for market participants to prearrange the execution of transactions for the purpose of passing money between accounts (see SER-5481 from November 18, 2010). This prohibition applies to transactions executed on CME Group exchanges' competitive venues as well as to transactions that are bilaterally negotiated and submitted to CME Clearing.

All transactions executed on exchange markets that are submitted for clearing must be made in good faith for the purpose of executing bona fide transactions, and prearranged trades intended to effectuate a transfer of funds from one account to another are explicitly prohibited. Paired, round turn transactions between counterparties which show indicia that the trades were prearranged for the purpose of transferring equity between accounts will be reviewed by Market Regulation and violations of Rule 432.G. will result in disciplinary action.

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