

## Advisory Notice

Clearing House

04-264

TO: Clearing Member Firms

ATTN: Chief Financial Officers  
Back Office Managers  
Margin Managers

FROM: Clearing House Department

SUBJECT: Performance Bond Requirements

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Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc., Performance Bond staff approved the performance bond requirements for the following products listed below. These margins will become effective with the close of business on **Thursday, December 30, 2004.**

### SPAN® MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

#### CME Weather Futures Outright Rates

Amsterdam HDD Monthly (D2)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	9.00%	6.00%	7.56%	5.60%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	6.00%	6.00%	5.60%	5.60%

Atlanta-HDD (H1)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	12.00%	8.50%	10.80%	8.00%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	8.50%	8.50%	8.00%	8.00%

Boston-HDD (HW)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	9.50%	7.00%	4.19%	3.10%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	7.00%	7.00%	3.10%	3.10%

Dallas-HDD (H5)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	12.00%	8.50%	10.80%	8.00%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	8.50%	8.50%	8.00%	8.00%

Houston-HDD (HR)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	13.00%	9.50%	11.75%	8.70%

LasVegas-HDD (H0)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	13.00%	9.00%	7.30%	5.40%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	9.00%	9.00%	5.40%	5.40%

London HDD Monthly (D0)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	9.00%	6.00%	6.62%	4.90%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	6.00%	6.00%	4.90%	4.90%

Minneapolis-HDD (HQ)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	7.00%	5.00%	5.54%	4.10%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.00%	5.00%	4.10%	4.10%

New York-HDD (H4)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	7.00%	5.00%	5.40%	4.00%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	4.00%

Paris HDD Monthly (D1)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	9.00%	6.00%	6.62%	4.90%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	6.00%	6.00%	4.90%	4.90%

Philadelphia-HDD (H6)

Rate Type	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Spec	Decrease	7.00%	5.00%	6.21%	4.60%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.00%	5.00%	4.60%	4.60%

Portland-HDD (H7)

<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Current Initial</b>	<b>Current Maintenance</b>	<b>New Initial</b>	<b>New Maintenance</b>
Spec	Decrease	7.00%	5.00%	6.35%	4.70%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.00%	5.00%	4.70%	4.70%

Sacramento-HDD (HS)

<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Current Initial</b>	<b>Current Maintenance</b>	<b>New Initial</b>	<b>New Maintenance</b>
Spec	Decrease	8.00%	5.50%	6.48%	4.80%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.50%	5.50%	4.80%	4.80%

Stockholm HDD Monthly (D5)

<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Current Initial</b>	<b>Current Maintenance</b>	<b>New Initial</b>	<b>New Maintenance</b>
Spec	Decrease	6.75%	5.00%	6.08%	4.50%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	5.00%	5.00%	4.50%	4.50%

Tucson-HDD (H8)

<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Current Initial</b>	<b>Current Maintenance</b>	<b>New Initial</b>	<b>New Maintenance</b>
Spec	Decrease	13.00%	9.50%	9.59%	7.10%
Hedge/Member	Decrease	9.50%	9.50%	7.10%	7.10%

Please contact the Risk Management Department at 312-648-3888, if you have any questions regarding these Performance Bond Changes.