

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **CME Clearing 360 Clearing Firm Authorization Request**

This Clearing Firm Authorization Request ("Authorization Request") incorporates by reference and is subject to the CME Clearing 360 Agreement ("Agreement") entered into between Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc., a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at 20 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606, U.S.A. ("CME") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("Clearing Firm"). Any capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Agreement.

Clearing Firm hereby affirms its desire to clear privately-negotiated trades in Clearing 360 products submitted to CME Clearing via its Clearing 360 Interface for the specified Customer. Clearing Firm hereby authorizes the specified Customer and Submitting Brokers to submit such trades via the specified source. Clearing Firm represents and warrants that the information provided herein is complete and accurate, and should any such information become incomplete or inaccurate, agrees to notify CME immediately and to submit a new Authorization Request as appropriate. The authorizations requested by Clearing Firm in this Authorization Request must be approved in writing by CME to be effective. CME reserves the right in its sole discretion and at any time to reject this Authorization Request, or suspend or revoke any approval previously given, in which case CME will notify Clearing Firm. This Authorization Request shall be effective within one business day following approval by CME.

Trades for Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

May be reported by any of the following Submitting Brokers (if any):

\_\_\_\_\_  
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via the following sources:

\_\_\_\_\_ CME Group's EOS Trader interface \_\_\_\_\_ Pivot Inc.'s CME Clearing 360 interface

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

For CME Exchange products, these trades should be cleared as follows:

Trading Member Firm ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Account ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
Origin: Customer \_\_\_\_\_ or House \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Type Indicator: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 through 4)

For CBOT Exchange products, these trades should be cleared as follows:

Trading Member Firm ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Account ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
Origin: Customer \_\_\_\_\_ or House \_\_\_\_\_ Customer Type Indicator: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 through 4)

Clearing Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_