

Advisory Notice

Clearing House

TO: Back Office Managers
Systems Managers
Back and Middle Office Software Providers

FROM: Clearing House Department

ADVISORY #: 07-212

SUBJECT: Reminder: Certification Testing for Negative Futures Prices, Options with Negative and Seven Byte Strikes and Alphanumeric Firm Id's

DATE: September 7, 2007

Effective Monday, October 1, 2007, the following enhancements will be implemented:

- Futures will be allowed to trade and/or settle at a negative price
- Options will be allowed to trade at negative strike prices
- Firm ID's will be alphanumeric

Please see the Advisory notice 07-203 for additional information.

<http://cme.com/clearing/clr/clradv/files/Chadv07-203.pdf>

To ensure a successful deployment, firms and vendors can now test the above in our new certification environment. To accommodate testing in our new certification environment, you will be required to establish new queues. Please reference Advisory notice 07-184 for instructions and additional information:

<http://www.cme.com/clearing/clr/clradv/files/Chadv07-184.pdf>

For questions or concerns please contact CME Group Clearing Services at (312) 207-2525 or email at ccs@cmegroup.com.

Thank you.