

## Market Data Operations

**Date:** November 4, 2008  
**Notice #:** Q2008-240  
**Subject:** New Block Trade Types for NYMEX/COMEX Contracts - Update Information

CME Group has delayed the scheduled launch of Options Block and Options Block Strips types for ClearPort Clearing® and the NYMEX/COMEX trading floors until further notice. The Futures Block TAS type will launch on trade November 10, 2008 as previously announced in Notice # Q2008-223 on October 17, 2008.

**The Futures Block TAS type is still scheduled to launch for trade date November 10, 2008:**  
 (Please note BBT is a new addition to the previously announced list of eligible TAS Block products)

Trade Type	ITC2 PCC and Category Code	ITC2 Exceptional Indicator	Eligible Products	Minimum Volume Requirement
TAS Block*	FE	B	CLT – WTI Crude Oil TAS Futures	200
			RBT – RBOB Gasoline TAS Futures	100
			HOT – Heating Oil TAS Futures	100
			NGT – Natural Gas TAS Futures	100
			BBT – Brent Financial TAS Futures	100

\* As a reminder, a TAS transaction's trade price can deviate from the base value (100) in minimum tick increments or decrements. This would instead represent a differential from today's settlement.

**The Options Block and Options Block Strips types scheduled launch for trade date November 10, 2008 has been delayed until further notice. An update will be provided as soon as the new date is determined:**

Options Block	OE	B	LO – WTI Crude Oil Options	350
			OB – RBOB Gasoline Options	350
			OH – Heating Oil Options	300
			ON – Nat Gas American Style Options	1600
Options Block Strips	LE	B	LN – Nat Gas European Style Options	550
			OG – Gold Options	300
			SO – Silver Options	150

### Sample Messages:

#### CPC

N	FE	F30419391400197C	NGT	Z08NX083	0000090+TM00100AB
N	OE	022012691537016C	OB	X08P0007500+ARB	X08RV084 4 0000001+TM00350AB
N	LE	022010671527471C	Block Option Strip SR022 0000105+TM00350ABO LO		
Z08P0007250+ACL	Z08GX082			LO	Z09P0007250+ACL Z09GX092

#### Floor

N	FE	023494881416436F	CLT	X08KV082	0000095+T 00400AB
N	OE	020874651031223F	LN	X08C0001250+ENG	X08RV083 4 0091455+T 00690AU
E	LE	022010671527471F	Block Option Strip SR022 0001000+TM00300ABO OG		
Z08P0001175+AGC	Z08JX080			OG	G09C0000800+AGC G09QF090

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