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SUBJECT: **UPDATED: FECPlus Testing and Production Deployment Schedule**

DATE: March 21, 2012

In response to requests from the Clearing community, the schedule for FEC+ has been amended. Below is the deployment schedule for FECPlus for the remainder of the year:

- Testing for the FPL-compliant FIXML 5.0 API for <u>ALL post-trade processing, including give-ups, average-priced give-ups, and cross-exchange allocations</u>, is currently available in **New Release**. This includes both outbound and inbound messaging capabilities. FECPlus in New Release will be used to manage all post-trade processing transactions. The existing FIXML 4.4 API will no longer function for any post-trade processing in New Release.

- Thursday, **May 3**, 2012: Testing for the migration of ClearPort trades to FECPlus will begin in **New Release**. With this change, all ClearPort trades, including CDS and OTCFX, will no longer be posted to existing FEC in New Release. There will be **NO API messaging changes** for these trades.

- Monday, June 4, 2012: **Production** launch date for migration of ClearPort trades, including CDS, to FECPlus.

- Monday, June 11, 2012: **Production** launch date for **CMECE** for <u>ALL post-trade processing, including give-ups, average-priced give-ups, and cross-exchange allocations</u> **using the FPL-compliant FIXML 5.0 API**.

- Monday, July 30, 2012: **Production** launch date for **CME/CBT/NYMEX/COMEX** for <u>ALL post-trade processing, including give-ups, average-priced give-ups, and cross-exchange allocations</u> **using the FPL-compliant FIXML 5.0 API**.

- Q3 2012: Electronic Trades will be migrated to FECPlus. Specific dates will be disseminated as they become available.

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