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TO: Clearing Member Firms
Chief Financial Officers
Back Office Managers
Margin Managers

FROM: CME Clearing

SUBJECT: Performance Bond Requirements

DATE: Thursday, January 22, 2015

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As per the normal review of market volatility to ensure adequate collateral coverage, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc., Clearing House Risk Management staff approved the performance bond requirements for the following products listed below.

The rates will be effective after the close of business on

Friday, January 23, 2015.

In this current advisory there are changes to the Short Option Minimum and/or the Volatility Scan Range. Below are descriptions of what each change affects:

The Short Option Minimum (SOM) is a charge that is applied only to portfolios concentrated in short options that do not generate a minimum margin requirement level when margins are calculated using the normal 16 SPAN scenarios. The SOM charge per short calls or short puts is a percentage of the outright margin on one underlying futures contract.

The volatility scan range is the change in implied volatility that is used in each of SPAN's 16 scenarios.

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

CC	Rate Type	Description	Change	ISO	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
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Outright Rates

FREIGHT - Outright Rates

FREIGHT ROUTE LIQUID PETROLEUM GAS (FLP)

FLP	Spec	Mth 1	New	USD			9,900	9,000
FLP	Hedge/Member	Mth 1	New	USD			9,000	9,000
FLP	Spec	Mths 2+	New	USD			7,150	6,500
FLP	Hedge/Member	Mths 2+	New	USD			6,500	6,500

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

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Intra Spreads

FREIGHT - Intra Spreads

(FREIGHT ROUTE LIQUID PETROLEUM GAS)

FLP	Spec		New	USD			4,400	4,000
FLP	Hedge/Member		New	USD			4,000	4,000

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

Rate Type	<u>Tier Description</u>	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Short Option Minimum (SOM) Rate						
FREIGHT - Short Option Minimum (SOM) Rate						
FREIGHT ROUTE LPG (BALTIC) FUTURES (FLP) - SOM						
Clearing Member Rate		New			99.000	90.000

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

Rate Type	<u>Tier Description</u>	Change	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
Volatility Scan (volScan) Rate						
FREIGHT - Volatility Scan (volScan) Rate						
FREIGHT ROUTE LPG (BALTIC) FUTURES (FLP) - volScan						
Clearing Member Rate	Mth 1	New				0.050
Clearing Member Rate	Mths 2+	New				0.025