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TO: Clearing Member Firms  
Chief Financial Officers  
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FROM: CME Clearing

SUBJECT: Performance Bond Requirements

DATE: Thursday, March 26, 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, March 27, 2015.**

Current rates as of:

**Wednesday, March 25, 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
<b>Outright Rates</b>								
<b>FX - Outright Rates</b>								
<b>E-MICRO USD/RMB FUTURES (MNY)</b>								
MNY	Spec	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	220	200	264	240
MNY	Hedge/Member	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	200	200	240	240
<b>U.S. DOLLAR\RENMINBI FUTURES (RMB)</b>								
RMB	Spec	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	2,640	2,400	3,300	3,000
RMB	Hedge/Member	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	2,400	2,400	3,000	3,000
<b>USD/RMB FUTURES (CNY)</b>								
CNY	Spec	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	2,200	2,000	2,640	2,400
CNY	Hedge/Member	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	2,000	2,000	2,400	2,400
<b>INTEREST RATES - Outright Rates</b>								
<b>2-YR EURODOLLAR BUNDLE FUTURE (BU2)</b>								
BU2	Spec		Increase	USD	3,300	3,000	4,098	3,725
BU2	Hedge/Member		Increase	USD	3,000	3,000	3,725	3,725
<b>NGL/PETROCHEMICALS - Outright Rates</b>								
<b>PGP POLYMER GRD PROPYLENE CAL FUT (PGP)</b>								
PGP	Spec	Mth 2+	Increase	USD	4,180	3,800	4,950	4,500
PGP	Hedge/Member	Mth 2+	Increase	USD	3,800	3,800	4,500	4,500
<b>PETROLEUM CRACKS AND SPREADS - Outright Rates</b>								
<b>JET CIF NWE VS ICE (JC)</b>								
JC	Spec	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	6,160	5,600	7,370	6,700
JC	Hedge/Member	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	5,600	5,600	6,700	6,700
JC	Spec	Mnths 3-6	Increase	USD	3,740	3,400	4,620	4,200
JC	Hedge/Member	Mnths 3-6	Increase	USD	3,400	3,400	4,200	4,200
<b>MIN JETKERO CRGOS CIF NWE VS GASOIL (MJC)</b>								
MJC	Spec	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	616	560	737	670
MJC	Hedge/Member	Mnth 1	Increase	USD	560	560	670	670
MJC	Spec	Mnths 3-6	Increase	USD	374	340	462	420
MJC	Hedge/Member	Mnths 3-6	Increase	USD	340	340	420	420

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### Intra Spreads

#### AGRICULTURE - Intra Spreads

##### **Feeder Cattle (FC) - All Months (FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES)**

FC	Spec		Increase	USD	990	900	1,100	1,000
FC	Hedge/Member		Increase	USD	900	900	1,000	1,000

##### **Lean Hogs (LN) - Tier 1 vs Tier 2 (LEAN HOG FUTURES)**

LN	Spec		New	USD			1,760	1,600
LN	Hedge/Member		New	USD			1,600	1,600

#### ELECTRICITY - Intra Spreads

##### **PJM Financially Settled Monthly Futures - Peak - All Months (PJM MONTHLY)**

JM	Spec		Increase	USD	2,200	2,000	2,420	2,200
JM	Hedge/Member		Increase	USD	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,200

## SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

Rate Type	Change	Ratio	Current Initial	Current Maintenance	New Initial	New Maintenance
<b>Inter-commodity Spread Rates</b>						
<b>EQUITY INDEX - Inter-commodity Spread Rates</b>						
<b>EMINI SP 500 ENERGY SECTOR INDEX (XAE) vs E-MINI SP500 CONS DISCRET SECTOR IX (XAY)</b>						
Spread Credit Rate	Decrease	+1:-2	65%	65%	55%	55%
<b>EMINI SP500-TECHNOLOGY SECTOR INDEX (XAK) vs EMINI SP 500 CONS STAPLES SECTOR IX (XAP)</b>						
Spread Credit Rate	Decrease	+1:-1	75%	75%	65%	65%
<b>FX - Inter-commodity Spread Rates</b>						
<b>CROSS RATE BRITISH POUND/JAPANESE YEN (BY - CME) vs CROSS RATE EURO FX/JAPANESE YEN (RY - CME)</b>						
Spread Credit Rate	Decrease	+1:-1	80%	80%	65%	65%