



TO: Clearing Member Firms
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FROM: CME Clearing

SUBJECT: Performance Bond Requirements

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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, October 23, 2015.

Current rates as of:

Thursday, October 22, 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 |
|---|--------------|-------------|----------|-----|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Outright Rates | | | | | | | | |
| ELECTRICITY - Outright Rates | | | | | | | | |
| AEP-DAYTON HUB OFF-PEAK MONTHLY (VP) | | | | | | | | |
| VP | Spec | Mnths 12+ | Increase | USD | 1,375 | 1,250 | 1,485 | 1,350 |
| VP | Hedge/Member | Mnths 12+ | Increase | USD | 1,250 | 1,250 | 1,350 | 1,350 |
| MISO INDIANA HUB 5MW D AH PK (H5) | | | | | | | | |
| H5 | Spec | Mnth 12+ | Increase | USD | 110 | 100 | 127 | 115 |
| H5 | Hedge/Member | Mnth 12+ | Increase | USD | 100 | 100 | 115 | 115 |
| MISO INDIANA HUB OFF-PEAK MO FUT (EJ) | | | | | | | | |
| EJ | Spec | Mnth 12+ | Increase | USD | 1,100 | 1,000 | 1,210 | 1,100 |
| EJ | Hedge/Member | Mnth 12+ | Increase | USD | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,100 | 1,100 |
| NORTHERN ILLINOIS OFF-PEAK MONTHLY (UO) | | | | | | | | |
| UO | Spec | Mnths 3-5 | Increase | USD | 1,100 | 1,000 | 1,320 | 1,200 |
| UO | Hedge/Member | Mnths 3-5 | Increase | USD | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,200 | 1,200 |
| UO | Spec | Mnths 6-11 | Increase | USD | 990 | 900 | 1,100 | 1,000 |
| UO | Hedge/Member | Mnths 6-11 | Increase | USD | 900 | 900 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| UO | Spec | Mnths 12+ | New | USD | | | 990 | 900 |
| UO | Hedge/Member | Mnths 12+ | New | USD | | | 900 | 900 |
| FREIGHT - Outright Rates | | | | | | | | |
| FREIGHT ROUTE LIQUID PETROLEUM GAS (FLP) | | | | | | | | |
| FLP | Spec | Mths 2+ | Increase | USD | 7,150 | 6,500 | 7,865 | 7,150 |
| FLP | Hedge/Member | Mths 2+ | Increase | USD | 6,500 | 6,500 | 7,150 | 7,150 |
| NATURAL GAS - Outright Rates | | | | | | | | |
| TETCO STX BASIS (TX) | | | | | | | | |
| TX | Spec | Mths 13+ | Increase | USD | 99 | 90 | 121 | 110 |
| TX | Hedge/Member | Mths 13+ | Increase | USD | 90 | 90 | 110 | 110 |

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Outright Rates

PETROLEUM CRACKS AND SPREADS - Outright Rates

GASOIL 0.1 RDAM BRGS V. ICE (WQ)

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|--------------|-----------|----------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| WQ | Spec | Mnth 1 | Increase | USD | 3,080 | 2,800 | 3,388 | 3,080 |
| WQ | Hedge/Member | Mnth 1 | Increase | USD | 2,800 | 2,800 | 3,080 | 3,080 |
| WQ | Spec | Mnths 2-5 | Increase | USD | 3,025 | 2,750 | 3,328 | 3,025 |
| WQ | Hedge/Member | Mnths 2-5 | Increase | USD | 2,750 | 2,750 | 3,025 | 3,025 |

MINI GSOIL .1 PLTTS VS ICE GSOIL FU (MGB)

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|-----------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| MGB | Spec | Mnth 1 | Increase | USD | 308 | 280 | 339 | 308 |
| MGB | Hedge/Member | Mnth 1 | Increase | USD | 280 | 280 | 308 | 308 |
| MGB | Spec | Mnths 2-5 | Increase | USD | 303 | 275 | 333 | 303 |
| MGB | Hedge/Member | Mnths 2-5 | Increase | USD | 275 | 275 | 303 | 303 |

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

| CC | Rate Type | Description | Change | ISO | Current Initial | Current Maintenance | New Initial | New Maintenance |
|---|--------------|-------------|----------|-----|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Intra Spreads | | | | | | | | |
| AGRICULTURE - Intra Spreads | | | | | | | | |
| Nonfat Dry Milk (NF) - Tier 1 vs Tier 1 (NONFAT DRY MILK FUTURES) | | | | | | | | |
| NF | Spec | | Increase | USD | 1,870 | 1,700 | 2,090 | 1,900 |
| NF | Hedge/Member | | Increase | USD | 1,700 | 1,700 | 1,900 | 1,900 |
| NATURAL GAS - Intra Spreads | | | | | | | | |
| Dominion (Platts IFERC) Fixed Price Swap Futures - All Months (DOMINION (IFERC) FIXED PRICE FUT) | | | | | | | | |
| DSF | Spec | | Increase | USD | 330 | 300 | 440 | 400 |
| DSF | Hedge/Member | | Increase | USD | 300 | 300 | 400 | 400 |
| PETROLEUM CRACKS AND SPREADS - Intra Spreads | | | | | | | | |
| Gasoil 0.1 Barges FOB Rdam v. ICE Gasoil Swap - All Months (GASOIL 0.1 RDAM BRGS V. ICE) | | | | | | | | |
| WQ | Spec | | Increase | USD | 2,200 | 2,000 | 2,530 | 2,300 |
| WQ | Hedge/Member | | Increase | USD | 2,000 | 2,000 | 2,300 | 2,300 |
| Gasoil 0.1 Barges FOB Rdam v. ICE Gasoil Swap - All Months (MINI GSOIL .1 PLTTS VS ICE GSOIL FU) | | | | | | | | |
| MGB | Spec | | Increase | USD | 220 | 200 | 253 | 230 |
| MGB | Hedge/Member | | Increase | USD | 200 | 200 | 230 | 230 |
| GULF COAST JET VS. NYMEX #2 HEA (ME) - All Months (GLFCST JET PLATTS UP/DN FUT) | | | | | | | | |
| ME | Spec | | Decrease | USD | 1,265 | 1,150 | 770 | 700 |
| ME | Hedge/Member | | Decrease | USD | 1,150 | 1,150 | 700 | 700 |
| Singapore Fuel Oil Spread Swap - Tier 1 vs Tier 1 (SINGAPORE FUEL OIL SPREAD FUT) | | | | | | | | |
| SD | Spec | | Increase | USD | 1,815 | 1,650 | 1,870 | 1,700 |
| SD | Hedge/Member | | Increase | USD | 1,650 | 1,650 | 1,700 | 1,700 |

SPAN MINIMUM PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIREMENTS

| Rate Type | Change | Ratio | Current Initial | Current Maintenance | New Initial | New Maintenance |
|---|----------|----------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Inter-commodity Spread Rates | | | | | | |
| AGRICULTURE - Inter-commodity Spread Rates | | | | | | |
| Class IV Milk (DK) vs. Milk (DA) | | | | | | |
| Spread Credit Rate | Decrease | +1:-1 | 40% | 40% | 30% | 30% |
| Corn (CBOT) (C) vs. Feeder Cattle (FC) vs. Live Cattle (LC) | | | | | | |
| Spread Credit Rate | Decrease | +1:+1:-2 | 60% | 60% | 35% | 35% |
| Soybeans vs. KCBT Wheat | | | | | | |
| Spread Credit Rate | Decrease | +1:-1 | 10% | 10% | 0% | 0% |
| ELECTRICITY - Inter-commodity Spread Rates | | | | | | |
| NYISO ZONE G 5 MW OFF-PEAK CAL DA LBMP SWAP FUT (NY-D2- CME) vs NYISO ZONE G OFF-PEAK LBMP SWAP FUT (NY-KH- CME) | | | | | | |
| Spread Credit Rate | Decrease | +202:-1 | 85% | 85% | 80% | 80% |