

TO: Clearing Member Firms
Chief Financial Officers
Back Office Managers

FROM: CME Group Clearing

SUBJECT: Auto-release of excess margin cash

Effective with the End of Day (EOD) settlement cycle on March 4th, 2016, CME will no longer automatically release excess US Dollar cash held to meet performance bond requirements. Clearing members may withdrawal excess US Dollar cash via the Clearing 21 system in a similar manner to withdrawing non-cash collateral pledged to meet performance bond requirements.

For questions or further information: please contact CME Clearing's Financial Unit at 312-207-2594.