



**10 September 2008**

**Conditions for Authorisation for Providing Automated Trading Services (“ATS”) under Part III of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the “SFO”)**

Pursuant to section 95(2) of the SFO, the Commission hereby authorises The Board of Trade of the City of Chicago, Inc. (“CBOT”) for providing ATS through the Globex System in Hong Kong with effect from 10 September 2008. The authorisation will be subject to annual renewal thereafter and with the following conditions.

CBOT shall undertake to:

1. Ensure that CBOT admits as members only corporations licensed by the Commission under Part V or authorised under Part III of the SFO unless the Commission agrees otherwise and CBOT has proactively notified the Commission of the registration status of prospective members in Hong Kong;
2. Upon prior written notice, provide the Commission with information relating to transactions (authorised by the Commission under section 95(2) of the SFO) conducted via the Globex system by CBOT members in Hong Kong for the purposes of any inquiry or investigation by the Commission under the SFO into transactions originating from Hong Kong and/or the conduct of CBOT members in Hong Kong. Such information disclosure can be facilitated by the two Memoranda of Understanding between the regulatory authorities of Hong Kong and the United States (namely “Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission Concerning Consultation and Cooperation in the Administration and Enforcement of Futures Laws” and the “Declaration on Cooperation and Supervision of Cross-Border Managed Futures Activity”), both signed on October 5, 1995;
3. Notify the Commission on any material changes to the matters set out in paragraphs 52 and 62 of the Guidelines for the Regulation of ATS (dated 3 March 2003) and particularly to the matters specified below, prior to the changes taking effect –
  - 3.1. Corporate structure and governance arrangements;
  - 3.2. Business plans/ operations;
  - 3.3. The Globex System (including changes in hardware, software, and other technology);
  - 3.4. Markets and products to be traded through the Globex System for CBOT members in Hong Kong;
  - 3.5. Contractual responsibilities for members of CBOT in Hong Kong; and
  - 3.6. Criteria for approval or disapproval of members of CBOT in Hong Kong.



4. Put in place appropriate business continuity plans and disaster recovery programmes for its operation and the Globex system in Hong Kong and notify the Commission of any material changes to the plans or programmes;
  5. Provide the Commission with the following monthly statistics:
    - 5.1. The volume of trades (**by each member of CBOT**) conducted on the markets over the Globex system resulting from orders originating from Hong Kong; and
    - 5.2. The aggregate volume of trades conducted on the markets over the Globex System.
- Such statistics are to be provided at such intervals as the Commission may specify and, in the absence of any such specification, on a **quarterly** basis within two weeks after the end of March, June, September and December. A nil return is required if there is no trading in the relevant interval;
6. Provide the Commission with a **monthly** status report within two weeks after the end of each month, or upon request, covering the identity and location of CBOT members in Hong Kong.

The Commission may, by notice in writing, amend or revoke the above conditions or impose new conditions where it is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so, pursuant to section 97 of the SFO.