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Mr. Richard J. McDonald
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Chicago Mercantile Exchange
30 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Re: Application of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange as a Contract Market in Cash-Settled Butter Futures and Option Contracts (CME Submission #99-04).

Dear Mr. McDonald:

By submissions dated January 6, 1999, and February 9, 1999, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME or Exchange) applied pursuant to Sections 4c and 6 of the Commodity Exchange Act (Act), 7 U.S.C. §§ 6c and 8, and Commission Regulation § 33.5, 17 C.F.R. § 33.5, for designation as a contract market in cash-settled butter futures and option contracts, and for approval of the corresponding rules pursuant to Section 5a(a)(12)(A) of the Act and Regulation 1.41(b).

Acting pursuant to Sections 4c and 5 of the Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 6c and 7, the Commission on the above date designated the CME as a contract market in cash-settled butter futures and options. Additionally, on the same date, proposed rules --00, --01, --02, --03, and --04, with respect to the futures contract, and proposed rules --00, --01, --02, --03, --30, --31, --32, --33, --34, --35, --36, --37, and --38 with respect to the option contract, were approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 5a(a)(12) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 5a(a)(12).

The CME has represented that it will submit for Commission approval prior to the start of trading in the subject futures and option contracts the contract months that will be initially listed for trading. The Commission notes that any CME proposal concerning contract months to be listed at the start of trading of the contracts may be submitted for Commission approval under Commission Regulation 1.41(l).

Sincerely,

Jean A. Webb
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Secretary of the Commission

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Chicago Mercantile Exchange for)
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ORDER OF DESIGNATION

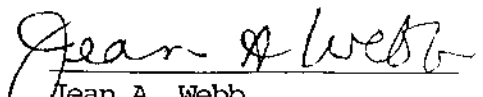
The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) having submitted, pursuant to Section 6 of the Commodity Exchange Act (Act), 7 U.S.C. § 8, an application for designation as a contract market in cash-settled butter futures and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission having reviewed the application and the complete record in this matter, and for the reasons set forth in the memorandum submitted to the Commission by its staff recommending designation of this contract market, the Commission finds that for purposes of this application the CME has demonstrated compliance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 7, and the regulations thereunder. Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, under Section 5 of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 7, that the application of the CME for designation as a contract market in cash-settled butter futures is granted, and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this grant of designation shall be subject to compliance with all sections of the Act and regulations thereunder applicable to the CME as a contract market under the Act.

Issued in Washington, D.C., this 17th day of March, 1999.

By the Commission



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The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) having submitted, pursuant to Sections 4c and 6 of the Commodity Exchange Act (Act), 7 U.S.C. §§ 6c and 8, and Commission Regulation 33.5, 17 C.F.R. §33.5, an application for designation as a contract market in options on cash-settled butter futures contracts and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission having reviewed the application and the complete record in this matter, and for the reasons set forth in the memorandum submitted to the Commission by its staff recommending designation of this contract market, the Commission finds that for purposes of this application the CME has demonstrated compliance with the requirements of Sections 4c and 5 of the Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 6c and 7, and the regulations thereunder. Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, under Sections 4c and 5 of the Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 6c and 7, that the application of the CME for designation as a contract market in options on the cash-settled butter futures contract is granted, and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this grant of designation shall be subject to compliance with all sections of the Act and regulations thereunder applicable to the CME as a contract market under the Act.

Issued in Washington, D.C., this 17th day of March, 1999.

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