



VIA EMAIL TO: SUBMISSIONS@CFTC.GOV

31 October 2013

Ms. Melissa Jurgens
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
1155 21st Street NW
Three Lafayette Centre
Washington DC 20581

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

Pursuant to CFTC regulation §40.6(a), LCH.Clearnet Limited (“LCH.Clearnet”), a derivatives clearing organization registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “CFTC”), is submitting for self-certification changes to its product eligibility criteria for the SwapClear service. These rulebook changes will be implemented and effective on 18 November 2013.

Please find attached as appendices the Submission Cover Sheet and the relevant changes to the LCH.Clearnet rulebook.

Part I: Explanation and Analysis

LCH.Clearnet's SwapClear service currently accepts for clearing swaps with stub periods at either the start or the end of the contract. The attached amendments will permit the service to accept swaps with stub periods at both the start *and/or* the end of a contract.

Part II: Description of Rule Changes

The implementation of these changes requires amendments to sections 3.1.5 and 3(e), each of Part B, of the General Regulations and the FCM Regulations, respectively. The relevant pages of the rulebook are attached at Appendix II.

Part III: Core Principle Compliance

This rule change ensures continued compliance with Core Principle C for product eligibility and ensures that all terms of a cleared swap conform to the product specifications established under the DCO's rules. LCH.Clearnet will continue to comply with all Core Principles following the introduction of these changes and has concluded that its compliance with the Core Principles will not be adversely affected by these changes.

Part IV: Public Information

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LCH.Clearnet has posted a notice of pending certification with the CFTC and a copy of the submission on LCH.Clearnet's website at: http://www.lchclearnet.com/rules_and_regulations/ltd/default.asp.

Part V: Opposing Views

There were no opposing views expressed to LCH.Clearnet by governing board or committee members, members of LCH.Clearnet or market participants that were not incorporated into the rule.

Certification

LCH.Clearnet Limited hereby certifies to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Commission regulation § 40.6, that attached rule submission complies with the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and the regulations promulgated there under.

Should you have any questions please contact me at laurian.cristea@lchclearnet.com.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Laurian Cristea', enclosed within a blue oval scribble.

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Appendix I
Submission Cover Sheet

SUBMISSION COVER SHEET

Registered Entity Identifier Code (optional) LCHLTD Date: 31 October 13

IMPORTANT: CHECK BOX IF CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT IS REQUESTED.

ORGANIZATION LCH.Clearnet Limited

FILING AS A: DCM SEF DCO SDR ECM/SPDC

TYPE OF FILING

• Rules and Rule Amendments

- Certification under § 40.6 (a) or § 41.24 (a)
- “Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change” under § 40.4 (b)(5)
- Notification under § 40.6 (d)
- Request for Approval under § 40.4 (a) or § 40.5 (a)
- Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change under § 40.10 (a)

• Products

- Certification under § 39.5(b), § 40.2 (a), or § 41.23 (a)
- Swap Class Certification under § 40.2 (d)
- Request for Approval under § 40.3 (a)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification under § 40.12 (a)

RULE NUMBERS

General Regulations, Part B, section 3.1.5; and
FCM Regulations, Part B, section 3(e).

DESCRIPTION

LCH.Clearnet Limited’s SwapClear service is amending its product eligibility criteria to allow for acceptance of swaps with stub periods at both the start and the end of a contract.



Appendix II
LCH.Clearnet Limited Rulebook

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3. **Additional SwapClear Product Eligibility Criteria**

3.1. A contract must also meet the following additional criteria to be eligible as a SwapClear Transaction:

3.1.1 Day Count Fractions

(See Article 4.16 of the “Annex to 2000 ISDA Definitions (June 2000 Version)”, Article 4.16 of the ISDA 2006 Definitions for definition)

The Clearing House will only accept the following day count fractions for vanilla interest rate swaps with constant notional principal and variable notional swaps. Day Count Fractions are applied to each deal leg independently, as communicated via the affirmed MarkitWire trade detail.:

Day Count Fractions using the ISDA 2000 Definitions

Day Count Fraction	MarkitWire/FpML Code
30/360 (or Bond Basis)	30/360
30E/360 (or Eurobond)	30E/360
Actual/360	ACT/360
Actual/365 (Fixed)	ACT/365.FIXED
Actual/365 (or	ACT/365.ISDA
Actual/Actual (ISMA)	ACT/ACT.ISMA

Day Count Fractions using the ISDA 2006 Definitions:

Day Count Fraction	MarkitWire/FpML Code
30/360 (or Bond Basis)	30/360
30E/360 (or Eurobond)	30E/360
Actual/360	ACT/360
Actual/365 (Fixed)	ACT/365.FIXED
Actual/Actual	ACT/ACT.ISDA
30E/360 (ISDA)	30E/360.ISDA
Actual/Actual (ICMA)	ACT/ACT.ICMA

The Clearing House will only accept the following day count fractions for Forward Rate Agreements Day Count Fractions are applied to each deal leg independently, as communicated via the affirmed MarkitWire trade detail:

Day Count Fractions using the ISDA 2006 Definitions:

Day Count Fraction	MarkitWire/FpML Code	Currency
Actual/365	ACT/365.FIXED	CAD, AUD, NZD,

(Fixed)		PLN, ZAR, GBP
Actual/360	ACT/360	USD, EUR, CHF, DKK, JPY, NOK, SEK, CZK, HUF

Fraction	SWIFT Code
Actual/365, Actual/Actual <i>(See Article 4.16(b) for definition)</i>	ACT/365
Actual/365 (Fixed) <i>(See Article 4.16(c) for definition)</i>	AFI/365
Actual/360 <i>(See Article 4.16(d) for definition)</i>	ACT/360
30/360, 360/360, Bond Basis <i>(See Article 4.16(e) for definition)</i>	360/360
30E/360 <i>(See Article 4.16(f) for definition)</i>	30E/360

3.1.2 Business Day Conventions

The Business Day Convention specified in the Economic Terms must be one of the following:

Following (see Article 4.12 (i) of the ISDA 2000 Definitions and Article 4.12 (i) of the ISDA 2006 Definitions for definition)

Modified Following (see Article 4.12 (ii) of the ISDA 2000 Definitions and Article 4.12(ii) of the ISDA 2006 Definitions for definition)

Preceding (see Article 4.12 (iii) of the ISDA 2000 Definitions and Article 4.12 (iii) of the ISDA 2006 Definitions for definition)

For vanilla interest rate swaps with constant notional principal SwapClear does not support trades where a different business day convention is used for:

fixed period end dates and the termination date

float period end dates and the termination date

3.1.3 Minimum and Maximum Residual Term of the Trade (Termination date – Today)

Trades in respect of vanilla interest rate swaps with constant notional principal and variable notional swaps are subject to a minimum and maximum Residual Term on the day they are received by SwapClear.

Minimum Residual Term of trade:

Termination date - Today \geq 1 + currency settlement lag

where currency settlement lag is:

1 day for EUR, USD, GBP and CAD denominated trades

2 days for JPY, CHF, AUD, DKK, HKD, NZD, SEK, NOK, PLN, ZAR, SAD, HUF & CZK denominated trades

Maximum Residual Term of trade:

Termination date - Today \leq 3,670 days for DKK, HKD, NZD, NOK, PLN, ZAR, SAD, HUF & CZK (10 years)

Termination date - Today \leq 10,970 days for AUD, CAD, CHF & SEK (30 years)

Termination date – Today \leq 14,620 days for JPY (40 years)

Termination date – Today \leq 18,275 days for GBP, EUR & USD (50 years)

Maximum Residual Term to Maturity for Forward Rate Agreements

The maximum residual term to maturity for forward rate agreements is as follows:

Currency	Maximum Residual Term to Maturity
EUR, JPY, USD, GBP	1105 days (3 years)
AUD, CAD, CHF, DKK, NOK, NZD, PLN, SEK, ZAR, CZK, HUF	740 days (2 years)

3.1.4 Designated Maturity

The Designated Maturity must be no less than one month and no more than twelve months. The Clearing House will, excepting stub periods, only accept a Designated Maturity that is a whole calendar month.

3.1.5 Calculation Periods

(See Article 4.13 of the ISDA 2000 Defintions and Article 4.13 of the ISDA 2006 Defintions for definition.)

The Clearing House will only accept non-standard Calculation Periods (“stub periods”) at the start and/or the end of a contract. For vanilla interest rate swaps with constant notional principal and variable notional swaps the Clearing House will only accept non-standard Calculation Periods (“stub periods”) at either the start or end of the contract. Transactions with stub periods at both the start and end of the transaction will not be eligible as SwapClear Transactions.

For variable notional swaps the stub rate should be detailed either as a percentage (i.e. 5.5%), an interpolation (i.e. 1 month/3months) or as a designated maturity (i.e. 1 month). Stub Rates within the Final Stub are calculated via interpolation or as a designated maturity.

Instrument	Acceptable Currencies	Acceptable Rate Options (as further set out in Section 7.1 of the 2006 ISDA Definitions)	Types	Single currency	Maximum Residual Term	Notional Amount (Min - Max of the relevant currency unit)	FRA Tenors	Minimum and Maximum FRA Terms (Days)
Agreement		BBA	floating	currency	days		m,4m,5m,6m,7m,8m,9m,10m,11m, 1y	Max 375
Forward Rate Agreement	NOK	NOK-NIBOR-NIBR	Fixed v floating	Single currency	740 days		1w, 1m,2m,3m,4m,5m,6m,7m,8m,9m,10m,11m,1y	Min 3 Max 375
Forward Rate Agreement	NZD	NZD-BBR-FRA	Fixed v floating	Single currency	740 days		1m,2m,3m,4m,5m,6m,	Min 25 Max 190
Forward Rate Agreement	PLN	PLN – WIBOR_W IBO	Fixed v floating	Single currency	740 days		1w,2w 1m, 3m, 6m,9m,1y	Min 3 Max 375
Forward Rate Agreement	SEK	SEK-STIBOR-SIDE	Fixed v floating	Single currency	740 days		1w, 1m,2m,3m, 6m,9m,1y	Min 3 Max 375
Forward Rate Agreement	USD	USD-LIBOR-BBA	Fixed v floating	Single currency	1105 days		1w,2w 1m,2m,3m,4m,5m,6m,7m,8m,9m,10m,11m, 1y	Min 3 Max 375
Forward Rate Agreement	ZAR	ZAR-JIBAR-SAFEX	Fixed v floating	Single currency	740 days		1m, 3m, 6m,9m,1y	Min 3 Max 375

2. [Intentionally Omitted]

3. Additional FCM SwapClear Product Eligibility Criteria

3.1 A contract must also meet the following additional criteria to be eligible as an FCM SwapClear Transaction:

(a) Day Count Fractions

(See Article 4.16 of the “Annex to 2000 ISDA Definitions (June 2000 Version)”, and Article 4.16 of the ISDA 2006 Definitions for definition)

- (i) The Clearing House will only accept the following day count fractions for vanilla interest rate swaps with constant notional principal and variable notional swaps. Day Count Fractions are applied to each deal leg independently, as communicated via the affirmed MarkitWire trade detail:

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Actual/Actual	ACT/ACT.ISDA
30E/360 (ISDA)	30E/360.ISDA
Actual/Actual (ICMA)	ACT/ACT.ICMA

The Clearing House will only accept the following Day Count Fractions for Forward Rate Agreements. Day Count Fractions are applied to each deal leg independently, as communicated via the affirmed MarkitWire trade detail:

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(c) Minimum and Maximum Residual Term of the Trade (Termination date – Today)

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where currency settlement lag is:

1 day for EUR, USD, GBP and CAD denominated trades

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For variable notional swaps the stub rate should be detailed either as a percentage (*i.e.*, 5.5%), an interpolation (*i.e.*, 1 month / 3 months) or as a designated maturity (*i.e.*, 1 month). Stub Rates within the Final Stub are calculated via interpolation or as a designated maturity.

For interpolated coupons, payment dates must fall between the rolled dates, according to the Modified Following business day convention, of the specified designated maturities. Where this does not occur and extrapolation would be required, SwapClear will reject the trade.