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REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

MODIFICATIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS

TWO-YEAR GOVERNMENT OF CANADA BOND FUTURES CONTRACT (CGZ)

AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES 6801 OF RULE SIX AND 15613 AND 15619 OF RULE FIFTEEN OF BOURSE DE MONTRÉAL INC.

The Rules and Policies Committee of Bourse de Montréal Inc. ("Bourse") has approved amendments to article 6801 of Rule Six and articles 15613 and 15619 of Rule Fifteen of Bourse for the CGZ contract in order to change the notional coupon rate from 4% to 6% and exclude 5- and 10-year from the basket of deliverable bonds.

Comments on the implementation of the proposed additions must be submitted within 30 days following the date of publication of the present, at the latest on **May 6, 2010**. Please submit your comments to:

Mr. François Gilbert Vice-President, Legal Affairs, Derivatives Bourse de Montréal Inc. Tour de la Bourse P.O. Box 61, 800 Victoria Square Montréal, Quebec H4Z 1A9 E-mail: legal@m-x.ca

A copy of these comments shall also be forwarded to the Autorité des marchés financiers (the Autorité) to:

Ms. Anne-Marie Beaudoin Director – Secretariat of L'Autorité Autorité des marchés financiers 800 Victoria Square, 22nd Floor P.O. Box 246, Tour de la Bourse Montréal (Quebec) H4Z 1G3 E-mail: <u>consultation-en-cours@lautorite.qc.ca</u>

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Tour de la Bourse P.O. Box 61, 800 Victoria Square, Montréal, Quebec H4Z 1A9 Telephone: (514) 871-2424 Toll-free within Canada and the U.S.A.: 1 800 361-5353 Website: www.m-x.ca For your information, you will find in appendices an analysis document of the proposed amendments as well as the amended procedures. The implementation date of the proposed amendments will be determined by the Bourse, in accordance with the self-certification process as determined by the Derivatives Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-14.01).

Process for Changes to the Rules

The Bourse is authorized to carry on business as an exchange and is recognized as a self-regulatory organization (SRO) by the Autorité. The Board of Directors of the Bourse has delegated to the Rules and Policies Committee of the Bourse its powers to approve and amend the Rules and Procedures. The Rules of the Bourse are submitted to the Autorité in accordance to the self-certification process as determined by the Derivatives Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-14.01).

In its SRO capacity, the Bourse assumes market regulation and supervision responsibilities of its approved participants. The responsibility for regulating the market and the approved participants of the Bourse comes under the Regulatory Division of the Bourse (the Division). The Division carries on its activities as a distinct business unit separate from the other activities of the Bourse.

The Division is under the authority of a Special Committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the Bourse. The Special Committee is empowered to recommend to the Board of Directors the approval or amendment of some aspects of the Rules of the Bourse governing approved participants, among which, the Rules relating to margin and capital requirements. The Board of Directors has delegated to the Rules and Policies Committee of the Bourse its powers to approve or amend these Rules with recommendation from the Special Committee. These changes are submitted to the Autorité for approval.