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Summary of Content

Requirements for Equity Members

Paper 11-002 (CP 11-002) is issued in accordance with Dubai Mercantile Exchange Limited (DME) Rule 4.21 and Section 9 of the Authorised Market Institutions Module of the Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA) Rulebook.

CP 11-002 has been issued to provide market participants with an opportunity to comment on the proposed revisions to the Rules regarding the requirements for Equity Members.

Application of the CP 11-002

CP 11-002 is directed primarily at DME Equity Members but DME welcomes comments from all DME market participants or any organisation that represents DME market participants. All capitalised terms not defined herein have the meaning given to them in the DME Rulebook.

Overview of changes

This rule change removes the requirement for an Equity Member to hold equity in the Exchange. This change is reflected in the definition of "Equity Member" in Chapter 1 and at Rule 2.1(E) - Membership.

Rationale for Rule changes

Currently, a DME Equity Member is required to hold membership in the DME inseparable from its indirect equity holding in the Exchange through DME Floorco Limited. Accordingly, the purpose of this rule change is to separate the indirect equity holdings from the membership so that the equity and membership can be held independently of one

another.

Following this rule change, an Equity Member will have identical rights and obligations under the DME Rules to an Off Floor Member.

A complete markup of the relevant rules can be accessed at the following link:

http://www.dubaimerc.com/pdf/consultation/11-002.pdf

How to provide comments

The deadline for providing comments on the proposals in CP 11-002 is twenty eight (28) calendar days from publication. For the avoidance of doubt, all comments must be received by the Exchange on or before 12 September 2011 at 6:00 PM in Dubai. All comments on the proposed changes should be sent by email to the DME Compliance Department at compliance@dubaimerc.com

Next step

Unless specifically requested otherwise, DME may publish any comments received on its website.

As soon as practicable following the deadline for comments on the proposals in CP 11-002, DME will consider whether any amendments to the proposals are appropriate. DME will then implement the changes to the DME Rulebook (including any amendment, if appropriate). The amendments to the DME Rulebook will only take effect once approved by the DFSA. DME will issue a Member Notice on the DME website confirming the date upon which the changes to the DME Rulebook will become effective.