ICE CONFIRMS MF GLOBAL REMAINS IN GOOD STANDING; ICE PLATFORM PRE-TRADE CREDIT FEATURES SUPPORT ENHANCED RISK MANAGEMENT CONTROLS

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ATLANTA, Feb. 29 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- IntercontinentalExchange (NYSE: ICE), a leading operator of global exchanges and over-the-counter (OTC) markets, confirmed that MF Global continues to meet all obligations at its U.S. and Canadian futures clearinghouses.

In addition, the ICE trading platform features a pre-trade credit filter at the matching engine level. ICE offers the ability for clearing firms to set limits on credit exposure for each trading account. If used appropriately by clearing firms, a complete credit check can occur prior to the execution of each and every futures or cleared OTC trade, thus preventing the execution of transactions in excess of pre-established limits. ICE's technology facilitates credit checks and trade matching in an industry-leading three milliseconds, guaranteeing efficient and reliable trade processing and unique real-time risk management capabilities within the derivatives marketplace.

MF Global accounts transacting at ICE Futures Europe and ICE OTC currently remain under the purview of a third-party clearinghouse.

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