

Applications of the Chicago Board of Trade for Designation as a Contract Market in Futures and Options on Italian Government Bonds

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed contract market rule change.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Board of Trade (CBT or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in Italian government bond futures and option contracts. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purpose of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 16, 1997.

ADDRESS: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the CBT Italian government bond futures and options contracts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact Stephen Sherrod of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, 20581, telephone (202) 418-5277. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: ssherrod@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies of the terms and conditions can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address or by phone at (202) 418-5100.

Other materials submitted by the CBT in support of the applications for contract market designation may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 C.F.R. Part 145 (1987)), except to the extent they are entitled to

confidential treatment as set forth in 17 C.F.R. 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 C.F.R. 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposed terms and conditions, or with respect to other materials submitted by the CBT, should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 11, 1997.

Blake Imel,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Notice and Request for Comments Regarding a Proposed Extension of an Approved Information Collection Requirement

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection requirement is currently approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for use through June 30, 1997. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through June 30, 2000.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 16, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection requirement should be sent to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Ms. Amy

Williams, PDUSD (A&T) DP (DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0187 in all correspondence related to this issue.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, at (703) 602-0131. A copy of this information collection requirement is available electronically via the INTERNET at: <http://www.dtic.mil/dfars/>

Paper copies may be obtained from Ms. Amy Williams, PDUSD (A&T) DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Information Collection in Support of the DoD Acquisition Process (Solicitation Phase), OMB Control Number 0704-0187.

Needs and uses: This information collection requirement pertains to information that an offeror must submit to DoD in response to a request for proposals or invitation for bids. This information is used by DoD to (1) evaluate offers, (2) determine which offeror should be selected for contract award, and (3) determine whether the offered price is fair and reasonable. This information is also used to determine whether the Government should furnish precious metals as Government-furnished material; to determine whether to accept alternative preservation, packaging, or packing; to determine whether to trade in existing personal property towards the purchase of new items; to verify compliance with requirements for labeling of hazardous material; to evaluate requests for price adjustment on stevedoring contracts; and to monitor compliance with the U.S.-flag vessel shipping requirements.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 43,544,644.

Number of Respondents: 250,121.

Responses per Respondent: Approximately 11.

Number of Responses: 2,808,197.

Average Burden per Response: 15.51 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection pertains to information, not separately covered by another Office of Management and Budget clearance, that an offeror must submit to DoD in response to a request for proposals or invitation for bids. In particular, the information collection covers the following DFARS requirements:

- 215.613-70, Four-step source selection procedures. Paragraph (e)(5) of