

## NEW ACCOUNT OPENING INSTRUCTIONS – PARTNERSHIP ACCOUNT

If you're reading these instructions you've visited our website [here](#) and decided to download the necessary forms to open an account.

We feel compelled to point out that it is much more efficient to execute the necessary paperwork online by going to our website [here](#). This feature includes online signatures and, once executed, the signed forms will be automatically and immediately emailed to you for your files. This process automatically determines which forms apply to your profile so you don't have to. Once signed, these documents will be ready for our review within minutes and your account will likely be approved sooner as a result.

If you wish to proceed, please download the necessary pdf forms within the zip file. Note that it is highly unlikely that all these forms apply to you. Please pay attention to the following requirements and notes. When you have completed the forms, fax them in to 614-792-2594. If you have any questions, please email [newaccounts@openecry.com](mailto:newaccounts@openecry.com).

### **Required Forms**

1. **Partnership Application** (includes wording equivalent to a W9 tax form) – note the two (2) areas for signature on the second page of this form.
2. **OEC Customer Agreement and Risk Disclosure**
  - Page 4 -- Risk Disclosure Statement for Futures and Options
  - Page 14 -- Acknowledgement of the Commodity Customer Agreement
  - Page 16 -- Arbitration Agreement
  - Page 18 -- Electronic Trading and Order Routing Disclosure
  - Page 19 -- Electronic Delivery of Statements
  - Page 20 -- Non-Cash Margin Disclosure
  - Page 21 -- Subordination Agreement
  - Page 22 -- Hedge Agreement – ONLY APPLICABLE TO BONA FIDE HEDGERS
3. **CFTC Privacy Notice**
4. **Customer Acknowledgement and Warranty**
5. **Partnership Authorization** – Each and every General Partner must sign.
6. **General Partners Individual Information** – Each and every General Partner must provide the personal information requested. If a General Partner is a corporation, then all Principal Officers shall provide their personal information as requested. If a General Partner is an LLC, then all Manager/Members shall provide their personal information as requested. The same applies if the General Partner is a Trust or another Partnership: the Principals must provide their personal information as requested.
7. **Personal Guarantee(s)** – OFTEN APPLICABLE FROM PRINCIPAL(S) OF THE GENERAL PARTNER IF THE GENERAL PARTNER IS A CORPORATION OR LLC.
8. **Additional Risk Disclosure** – ONLY APPLICABLE IF:

- Applicant has no prior commodity trading experience; OR annual income of 25,000 or less; OR net worth of 25,000 or less.
9. **W8 Tax Form** – ONLY APPLICABLE TO APPLICANTS WITH NON-U.S. REGISTRATION AND PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS NOT IN THE U.S.
  10. **Foreign Entity Questionnaire** -- APPLICABLE TO APPLICANTS WITH NON-U.S. REGISTRATION AND PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS NOT IN THE U.S.
  11. APPLICABLE TO APPLICANTS WITH NON-U.S. REGISTRATION AND PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS NOT IN THE U.S. -- submit **Passport** copies or other Government-Issued I.D.s, the Articles of Organization registered with the local government **AND** A current **Utility Bill, Bank Statement or other document** to enable information verification of the Applicant and/or any General Partner authorized to open the account, trade the account, or otherwise authorized to conduct the affairs of the account.
  12. **Non Solicitation Letter** – ONLY APPLICABLE TO APPLICANTS PRINCIPALLY LOCATED IN CANADA.
  13. **Discretionary Trading Agreement** – ONLY APPLICABLE IF SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE APPLICANT OR ANY OF ITS GENERAL PARTNERS WILL CONTROL THE TRADING OF ACCOUNT
    - Page 1 -- The Power of Attorney
    - Page 2 – Special Notice
    - Page 3 – Third Party Account Controller Acknowledgement (also requires execution by the account controller). If the account controller is a registered CTA, this page will not apply. However, you must then provide us with a copy of an Acknowledgment of Receipt of the CTA Disclosure Document AND the CTA fee payment authorization (CTA should have provided you with these forms)
  14. **Sub-Account Declaration** -- ONLY APPLICABLE IF APPLICANT INTENDS TO OPEN MULTIPLE ACCOUNTS.

### **Notes**

- A. “Applicant” = “Legal Name of the Partnership” = “Account Name”
- B. “Authorized Signer” = A General Partner of the Partnership duly authorized in either the Partnership Agreement or Articles directly, or indirectly through the Partnership Authorization, to manage the Partnership.
- C. For Applicants using a ‘doing business as’ (“d/b/a”) or fictitious name, please provide the supporting documentation generally required to be filed with your State or local government.
- D. The Applicant’s State or local government registration(s) must be current and in good standing.
- E. If you have not already done so, please send funds now following the **Funding Instructions** form. Account numbers are not issued until funds are received and the account is set up, so ensure 'Pending New Account' is used if your bank presses for an OEC account number. Similarly, if funds and/or positions are to be transferred from another firm execute the **Account Transfer Form** and send it to your current firm.

- F. Please ensure funds are sent from a bank account in the name of the Applicant (we do not accept third party funding). It is OEC policy to disburse funds only to a bank account in the name of the Applicant.
- G. If you have not already obtained a firm commission quote, please go to <https://www.openecry.com/openaccount/rate.cfm>
- H. If you have not already downloaded our demo software, please go to <https://www.openecry.com/platforms/download1.cfm> and do so to and familiarize yourself with our platform before going live.

**OPEN E CRY, LLC CUSTOMER ACCOUNT APPLICATION**

**PARTNERSHIP**

Type of Account:  General Partnership  Limited Partnership  Other

Name of Partnership \_\_\_\_\_ Taxpayer ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (If different from Address above) \_\_\_\_\_ State or Country of Formation \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Formation \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of Partnership's Principal Business \_\_\_\_\_

Please list General Partner(s) below: (as shown in Partnership Agreement)

Years of Commodity Futures or Options Trading Experience \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Securities or Securities Options Trading Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Name of brokerage firms at which Partnership or General Partner(s) currently maintains or previously maintained an account.

\_\_\_\_\_ Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Does any other person or entity other than the Partnership or General Partner(s) control, manage or direct trading in this account?  Yes  No

If yes, state: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Customer \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: If this is a discretionary account, please complete Open E Cry, LLC's discretionary forms.**

Trading Objectives:  Speculative  Hedging If hedging, what is the nature of your business? \_\_\_\_\_

If hedge account, indicate what commodities are to be hedged: \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone else guarantee or have a financial interest of 10% or more in the Partnership?  Yes  No

If yes, indicate whom and provide details: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Does this Partnership, the General Partner(s) or any of its principals have an interest in any other trading accounts with other brokerage firms?  Yes  No

If yes, indicate the name of the firm and account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Partnership, the General Partner(s) or any of its principals currently have or previously had any unsatisfied debit balances at a brokerage firm?  Yes  No

If yes, indicate the name of the firm and provide details: \_\_\_\_\_

Has the Partnership, the General Partner(s) or any of its principals ever been a party to any litigation, arbitration or reparations proceeding against any brokerage firm?

Yes  No

Is the Partnership, the General Partner(s) or any of its principals currently, or within the last ten years, has been involved in any investigations or court proceedings (including bankruptcy) involving any governmental or regulatory agency or private party?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Partnership, the General Partners or any of its principals:

A member of the National Futures Association or any Exchange?  Yes  No

Registered with the CFTC, NFA, SEC or NASD?  Yes  No

A principal or employee or related to any employee of any brokerage firm, CFTC, NFA or any Exchange?  Yes  No

If yes, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL PARTNERSHIPS MUST INCLUDE COPY OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

Open E Cry, LLC requires financial statements from all of its customers to open a commodity futures trading account. Please include a copy of the Partnership's most recent audited financial statement. Partnerships with no audited financial statement must complete the following confidential financial statement:

<b>Liquid Assets:</b>		<b>Short Term Liabilities:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ _____	Accounts Payable	\$ _____
Marketable Securities	\$ _____	Loans/Notes Payable	\$ _____
Other Liquid Assets (Explain)	\$ _____	Other Short Term Liabilities (Explain)	\$ _____
Total Liquid Assets	\$ _____		
<b>Other Assets:</b>		<b>Long Term Liabilities:</b>	
Non Marketable Securities	\$ _____	Real Estate Mortgages	\$ _____
Notes and Receivables	\$ _____	Notes Payable	\$ _____
Cash value life insurance	\$ _____	Income taxes payable	\$ _____
Real Estate (principal residence)	\$ _____	Other taxes payable	\$ _____
Real Estate (excluding home)	\$ _____	Other liabilities (Explain)	\$ _____
Other Assets (Explain)	\$ _____		
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>	<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**NET WORTH** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Total Assets less Total Liabilities)

Current Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ \$100,000 or over \_\_\_ \$75,000 - \$100,000 \_\_\_ \$50,000-\$75,000 \_\_\_ \$25,000 - \$50,000 \_\_\_ under \$25,000 (Please Specify)\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Bank References:

Name of Bank	Address (City/State)	Telephone	Account Number
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

The undersigned warrants and represents to Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC") that the Customer Account Application and Financial Statement completed above are true and correct, until written notice of material changes is delivered to OEC.

The undersigned authorizes OEC to make whatever credit inquiries it deems necessary in connection with the undersigned's Customer Account Application, or in connection with transactions in the undersigned's account with OEC. The undersigned authorizes any person or consumer reporting agency to compile and furnish to OEC any information it may have or obtain in response to such credit inquiries, and agrees that such information shall remain OEC's property whether or not an account is opened.

Signature of General Partner or Authorized Principal of General Partner \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUEST FOR TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER / CERTIFICATE OF FOREIGN STATUS**

Under penalties of perjury, the undersigned hereby certifies that:

Enter Taxpayer Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

1. The number shown on this form is the Partnership's correct taxpayer identification number, and (2) the Partnership is not subject to backup withholding because: (a) the Partnership is exempt from backup withholding, or (b) the Partnership has not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service that the Partnership is subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the Internal Revenue Service has notified the Partnership that it is no longer subject to backup withholding.

**OR**

2. The Partnership is not a U.S. entity and has not been, and does not plan to be, in the U.S. for more than 183 days during any calendar year and is not engaged, and does not plan to be engaged during the year, in a U.S. trade or business that has effectively connected gains from broker transactions or the Partnership's country has a tax treaty with the U.S. that exempts transactions from U.S. taxes. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial please)

Signature of General Partner or Authorized Principal of General Partner \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**OPEN E CRY, LLC  
ACCOUNT TRANSFER**

CURRENT BROKERAGE HOUSE:  
(Please provide Name, Address, Transfer  
Personnel, Phone Number)

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Account Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Gentlemen:

I have this day given Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC") this form and my permission for them to present it to you at their discretion. In accordance with the Commodity Exchange Act, I hereby demand that upon presentation to you by OEC, you do the following:

Immediately confirm my account balance, and any and all open futures and option positions; margins or securities to OEC and upon OEC's acceptance and further instructions, immediately transfer my account balance, and any and all open futures and option positions; margins or securities to:

Open E Cry, LLC  
9482 Wedgewood Blvd., Suite 150  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-2690

**NOTE – Any positions should be sent to Open E Cry's Clearing Firm: RJO'Brien #685**

Send me a confirmation of this transfer.

Very truly yours,

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Customer

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Joint Owner Signature, if any

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**OPEN E CRY, LLC**

**NFA RULE 2-30 ADDITIONAL RISK PROCEDURE**

FOR ANY CUSTOMER WHO:

- a) Is retired and/or has less than one year of commodity trading experience; or
- b) Has an annual income of 25,000 or less; or
- c) Has a net worth of 25,000 or less; or
- d) Has less than one year of commodity trading experience.

YOU MUST EITHER:

- 1) CALL THE CUSTOMER, READ AND EXPLAIN PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 BELOW AND SIGN AS THE BROKER OR
- 2) GIVE THIS DOCUMENT TO THE CUSTOMER AND THE CUSTOMER MAY READ IT AND ACKNOWLEDGE IT BY SIGNING BELOW.

THEN SUBMIT THE COMPLETED FORM WITH THE CUSTOMER'S OPENING ACCOUNT DOCUMENTATION.

- 1) You should be aware that the risk of loss in trading commodity futures or options contracts can be substantial. You may sustain a total loss of your initial margin funds and any additional funds that you deposit to establish or maintain a position. In addition, market conditions may be such that your account can incur a negative balance. In this event, you will be liable for any deficit in your account. You should also be aware that the exercise of a long option contract or the assignment of a short option contract will result in a futures position.
- 2) You should study future trading and consider all of your financial obligations in determining whether the trading of commodity futures or options is appropriate for you. Since the risk factor is high, only genuine "risk funds" should be used.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Customer Name

I certify that I contacted the above Customer and read paragraphs 1 and 2 to the customer on the date shown.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Broker Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Broker Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The undersigned Customer acknowledges that he or she received, read and understood the above additional risk disclosure.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

## **ANNUAL PRIVACY NOTICE**

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) recently adopted a rule that requires all Futures Commission Merchants (“FCMs”) to provide its existing consumers/customers with a privacy notice regarding the disclosure of non-public personal information. This notice is provided to you on behalf of Open E Cry, LLC (“OEC”).

In servicing your needs, we collect personal information about you to the extent necessary to enable us to perform those services. The following information may be collected:

- Information provided as a result of your completion of customer account agreements and other related documents and forms provided at the time or subsequent to the account review and approval process;
- Information available as a result of your transactions at OEC or with others;
- Information that OEC receives from outside entities, including consumer reporting agencies, relating to the application approval process; and
- Information that OEC may obtain as a result of your use of OEC’s website and other online services. Such information may be available by the utilization of a user ID and password assigned by OEC or from an OEC “cookie” or OEC service provider’s cookie.

### **Personal Information Limitations and Retention**

Personal information is retained and disclosed only as necessary to serve our customers. Such personal information about current and former customers is only used or disclosed to third parties in the following limited circumstances, and in accordance with applicable law:

- As required to process or service your account or transactions (wire transfers, withdrawals, etc.);
- As permitted by law to our service providers, including those that perform marketing services on our behalf. OEC will monitor these providers and make reasonable efforts to ensure the privacy and security of your information;

- As required by regulators, tax authorities and examiners, law enforcement personnel and/or in response to a subpoena or legal process whereby OEC believes that such disclosure is required;
- As may be appropriate to protect against fraud or illegal activity, for the safety of customers, employees, or property, or is otherwise permitted by law; and
- As you may disclose or specifically direct the firm to disclose on your behalf, personal information to a third party.

### **Protecting the Confidentiality and Security of your Personal Information**

OEC protects the confidentiality and security of your personal information by implementing and maintaining appropriate security safeguards. Examples of our safeguards include:

- Restricting access to your personal information to those employees who need to know such information in order to provide products or services to you; and
- Maintaining physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards to protect your personal information.

### **Accuracy**

OEC strives to keep your personal information as accurate, complete and up-to-date as necessary. Please contact OEC immediately if you identify any inaccuracy in your personal information so your records may be updated.

### **Notice**

OEC will provide annual notices to its individual consumers who are customers regarding its privacy policy, and if there is any change to the policy prior to the time that an annual notice would otherwise be provided, a revised privacy notice will be provided.

## **CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND WARRANTY**

### **NEW ACCOUNT AGREEMENTS**

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt, through the Internet, facsimile or e-mail, of New Account Agreements (the "Agreements") for the establishment of a commodity trading account through Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC"). In connection therewith, the undersigned hereby warrants and represents that, except for completion and execution of the Agreements as contemplated and required by OEC, no changes, modifications, alterations or amendments (collectively, "changes") of any kind have been made to the Agreements by the undersigned, or, in the alternative, that certain changes have been inserted which the undersigned acknowledges, understands and agrees will remain completely ineffective unless accepted in writing by OEC. The undersigned further acknowledges, understands and agrees that unless the written acceptance of any changes by OEC is received by the undersigned, the Agreements shall be deemed to have been accepted by OEC and the undersigned in the form originally submitted by OEC, without any modification whatsoever. In such case, in the event it becomes necessary to refer to any provision of the Agreements for any reason, the undersigned hereby acknowledges, understands and agrees that any unapproved change shall be deemed to have been deleted in its entirety and the original language inserted in its place.

Further, please be advised that in an effort to help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires OEC to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person who opens an account with OEC. Therefore, as part of the opening account procedure, OEC will ask you for certain information including, but not limited to, your name, address, date of birth and other information that will allow us to identify you. The firm may also request copies of government issued identification such as your driver's license, current passport or other identifying documents. The undersigned also acknowledges, understands and agrees that OEC may conduct whatever inquiries it deems necessary to obtain such verification of customer's identity prior to establishing an account for customer.

The undersigned further acknowledges, understands and agrees that OEC has accepted the Agreements in reliance, and conditioned, upon the undersigned's agreements and warranties contained herein.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

# Open E Cry, LLC

3946 N. Hampton Dr.  
Powell, OH 43065  
Tel: (614) 792-2690 Fax: (614) 792-2594

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## Discretionary Account Agreement

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### Futures and Options Trading Authorization

The undersigned hereby authorizes \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Trader") as his agent and attorney-in-fact to buy, sell (including short sales), transfer, spread or otherwise trade futures contracts and/or options on futures contracts (collectively "futures contracts") of every kind or nature, on margin or otherwise, all in his sole discretion for the undersigned's account and risk with Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC").

OEC is authorized to follow the instructions of Trader in every respect concerning the undersigned's account with OEC; and except as herein otherwise provided, the Trader is authorized to act with full power and authority for me and on my behalf in the same manner and with the same effect and force as I might or could do with respect to such transactions as well as with respect to all other things necessary or incidental to the furtherance or conduct of such transactions, except that Trader is not authorized to withdraw any money, securities, or other property either in the name of the undersigned or otherwise.

The Trader represents that he has all of the required government approvals, licenses, and permits, including but not limited to, if applicable, registration with the CFTC as a Commodity Trading Advisor.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms any and all transactions with OEC heretofore and hereafter made by Trader on behalf of or for the account of the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify and hold OEC harmless for following the instructions of the Trader, and I further agree never to attempt to hold OEC liable for the Trader's actions, including but not limited to, all losses or lost profits sustained, costs and/or expenses, indebtedness and liabilities (including attorneys' fees) arising therefrom. I further agree that I have the necessary financial resources to enter into this Agreement, pay any deficit balance on my account and to promptly meet all margin requirements which may or may not be the result of the Trader's instructions. This authorization and indemnity is in addition to, and in no way limits or restricts, any rights which OEC may have under any other agreement(s) between OEC and the undersigned.

This authorization and indemnity is a continuing one and shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned by a written notice addressed to OEC and delivered to OEC's office at 3946 N. Hampton Dr., Powell, Ohio, 43065, but such revocation shall not affect any liability in any way resulting from transactions initiated prior to such revocation. This authorization and indemnity contained herein shall inure to OEC's benefit and that of OEC's successors and assigns.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Account Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Account Title

(If a joint account, all parties must sign. If a partnership, all general partners must sign. If a corporation, an authorized officer must sign. If a Limited Liability Company, all managing members must sign. If a trust, all trustees must sign.)

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**Special Notice to Customers**

We have received a document by which you have granted trading authority or control over your futures account carried by us to the Trader. We are required to bring the following information to your attention:

Since the risk factor is high in futures trading, only genuine "risk" funds should be used in such trading. A person who does not have extra capital he can afford to lose should not trade in the futures market. No "safe" trading system has ever been devised and no one can guarantee you profits or freedom from loss. In fact, no one can even guarantee to limit the extent of your loss.

Even though you have granted trading authority to another, this does not relieve you of the responsibility to know what is going on in your account. OEC will send you a confirmation of every trade made for your account, and a profit and loss statement showing the financial results of each transaction closed out for your account. In addition, you will also receive monthly statements indicating your ledger balance, current positions in your account, the net profit or loss in all contracts closed out since the date of your last monthly statement, and the net unrealized profit and loss for all open contracts in your account. You should carefully review these statements.

The account trading authorization executed by you shall remain in full force and effect until revoked in writing by you and received by OEC.

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**Acknowledgment**

I have carefully examined the provisions of the agreements by which I have given trading authority or control over my account to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

and fully understand the obligations which I have assumed by executing that Agreement.

I understand and acknowledge that OEC is in no way responsible for any loss to me as a result of the actions or inactions of the individual or organization name above and that OEC does not, by implication or otherwise, endorse the operating methods of such individual or organization. I further understand that the Chicago Board of Trade and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange have no jurisdiction over a nonmember who is not employed by one of their members and that if I give such an individual or organization authority to exercise any of my rights over my account, I do so at my own risk.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Customer Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Account Controller Statement**

National Futures Association (NFA) Rule 2-8 regarding discretionary accounts requires:

An acknowledgment from the customer that the customer has received a disclosure document from the account controller, or a written statement from the account controller explaining why the account controller is not required to provide a disclosure document to the customer.

**Please sign below acknowledging that you have received this statement.**

I am not required to provide a disclosure document to my customers because I am exempt from registration as a Commodity Trading Advisor (CTA) for the reason indicated below:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) I have provided advice to 15 or fewer persons during the past 12 months and do not hold myself out generally to the public as a CTA.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) I am a (i) dealer, processor, broker, or seller in cash market transactions or (ii) nonprofit, voluntary membership, general farm organization, who provides advice on the sale or purchase of commodities, and any trading advice is solely incidental to the conduct of my business.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) I am registered as an Associated Person and my advice is issued solely in connection with my employment as an Associated Person.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) I am a relative of the account holder. My relationship to the customer is \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) I am a foreign entity; **or**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) I **am** registered as a Commodity Trading Advisor but am not required to provide a disclosure document because the customer has represented that he/she is a qualified eligible client as defined by CFTC Regulation 4.7. Further, I have filed notice of a claim for exemption with the Commission in accordance with CFTC Regulation 4.7.

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**Account Controller Signature**

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**Occupation**

I hereby acknowledge that the Account Controller is not required to provide me with a disclosure document for the reason stated above.

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Customer Signature

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Date

## FOREIGN ENTITY QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Describe the entity and the nature of the business.
2. Whose money is in the entity?
  - a. How much?
3. Are there investors in the entity?
  - a. If so, how many?
  - b. How does the entity get investors?
  - c. Are there any U.S. investors in the entity?
  - d. Please provide copies of all documents given to an investor.
  - e. Do you conduct your business from any U.S. location? If so, where?
4. Do any of the individuals/investors in the entity operate a commodity pool or commodity fund?
5. Please provide a representation that this entity is in compliance with all laws, rules and regulation applicable to its business in each jurisdiction in which it conducts its business.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE REQUIRED, DEPENDING ON RESPONSES.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title



## FUNDING INSTRUCTIONS:

### 1) WIRE TRANSFERS

#### US\$

JP Morgan Chase  
1111 Polaris Pkwy  
Columbus, OH 43240

ABA Number: 021 000 021  
Swift Number: CHASUS33  
Account Name: Open E Cry, LLC Customer Segregated Funds  
Account Number: 646862821  
For further credit to: {Account Name}  
Account Number: {If assigned, otherwise use "Pending New Account"}

Note -- Incoming wires in US\$ must be received by 1500 EST, for same day deposit.

#### Euros

JP Morgan Bank N.A.  
Chaseside  
Bournemouth  
UK  
BH7 7DA

Pay to: JP Morgan AG, Frankfurt, (CHASDEFX)  
For the account of: JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A. London (CHASGB2L), account number 6231400604  
For further credit to: Account Name: Open E Cry, LLC – Customer Segregated Funds  
Account Number: 36191201 (Final beneficiary)  
EUR IBAN Number: GB29CHAS60924236191201  
For further OEC credit to: {Account Name}  
OEC Account Number: {If assigned, otherwise use "Pending New Account"}

Note -- Incoming wires in Euros must be received by 1500 London Time, for same day deposit.

If you intend on wiring other foreign currency or have any questions, please contact our office at (800) 920-5808, or e-mail [newaccounts@openecry.com](mailto:newaccounts@openecry.com)

### 2) CHECKS

Make checks payable to "Open E Cry, LLC", if applicable, include your Open E Cry trading account number, and mail to:  
Open E Cry, LLC  
9482 Wedgewood, Ste. 150  
Powell, OH 43065  
Attn: New Accounts

Note – All personal checks will be held 5 business days to clear. OEC does not accept checks drawn on non-U.S. Banks.

**Due to anti-money laundering laws, Open E Cry can only accept funds originating from a bank account identical in ownership and name as your Open E Cry account.**

## GENERAL PARTNER(S) INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION

**\* If General Partner is a Corporation, Limited Liability Company, Partnership or Trust, please provide individual information for each principal. Please attach additional sheets if necessary.**

General Partner #1

Name			Social Security or Taxpayer ID #		
Home Address			Telephone	Fax #	E-mail Address
City	State	Zip Code	Country		
			Date of Birth		
Current Employer ( <i>Indicate if retired, and list last occupation</i> )			Years Employed		
Address			Business Telephone Number		
City	State	Zip Code	Nature of Business	Job Title	

General Partner #2

Name			Social Security or Taxpayer ID#		
Home Address			Telephone	Fax #	E-mail Address
City	State	Zip Code	Country		
			Date of Birth		
Current Employer ( <i>Indicate if retired, and list last occupation</i> )			Years Employed		
Address			Business Telephone Number		
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General Partner #3

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Please allow this letter to serve as my testimony to the fact that at no time have I been solicited by \_\_\_\_\_ in regard to opening a commodities account.

I realize it is necessary that I make this statement and I do so freely, and completely without reservation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

OPEN E CRY, LLC

COMMODITY CUSTOMER AGREEMENT  
AND RISK DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENTS

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## **Risk Disclosure Statement**

### **For Futures & Options**

*This brief statement does not disclose all of the risks and other significant aspects of trading in futures and options. In light of the risks, you should undertake such transactions only if you understand the nature of the contracts (and contractual relationships) into which you are entering and the extent of your exposure to risk. Trading in futures and options is not suitable for many members of the public. You should carefully consider whether trading is appropriate for you in light of your experience, objectives, financial resources and other relevant circumstances.*

### **Futures**

#### **1. EFFECT OF 'LEVERAGE' OR 'GEARING'**

Transactions in futures carry a high degree of risk. The amount of initial margin is small relative to the value of the futures contract so that transactions are leveraged or geared. A relatively small market movement will have a proportionately larger impact on the funds you have deposited or will have to deposit; this may work against you as well as for you. You may sustain a total loss of initial margin funds and any additional funds deposited with the firm to maintain your position. If the market moves against your position or margin levels are increased, you may be called upon to pay substantial additional funds on short notice to maintain your position. If you fail to comply with a request for additional funds within the time prescribed, your position may be liquidated at a loss and you will be liable for any resulting deficit.

#### **2. RISK-REDUCING ORDER OR STRATEGIES**

The placing of certain orders (e.g. stop-loss orders, where permitted under local law, or stop-limit orders) which are intended to limit losses to certain amounts may not be effective because market conditions may make it impossible to execute such orders. Strategies using combinations of positions, such as spread and straddle positions may be as risky as taking simple long or short positions.

### **Options**

#### **3. VARIABLE DEGREE OF RISK**

Transactions in options carry a high degree of risk. Purchasers and sellers of options should familiarize themselves with the type of option (Le. put or call) which they contemplate trading and the associated risks. You should calculate the extent to which the value of the options must increase for your position to become profitable, taking into account the premium and all transaction costs.

The purchaser of options may offset or exercise the options or allow the options to expire. The exercise of an option results either in a cash settlement or in the purchaser acquiring or delivering the underlying interest. If the option is on a future, the purchaser will acquire a futures position with associated liabilities for margin (see the section on Futures above). If the purchased options expire worthless, you will suffer a total loss of your investment which will consist of the option premium plus transaction costs. If you are contemplating purchasing deepout-of-the-money options, you should be aware that the chance of such options becoming profitable ordinarily is remote.

Selling (writing or granting) an option generally entails considerably greater risk than purchasing options. Although the premium received by the seller is fixed, the seller may sustain a loss well in excess of that amount. The seller will be liable for additional margin to maintain the position if the market moves unfavorably. The seller will also be exposed to the risk of the purchaser exercising the option and the seller will be obligated to either settle the option in cash or to acquire or deliver the underlying interest. If the option is on a future, the seller will acquire a position in a future with associated liabilities for margin (see the section on Futures above). If the position is covered by the seller holding a corresponding position in the underlying interest or a future or another option, the risk may be reduced. If the option is not covered, the risk of loss can be unlimited.

Certain exchanges in some jurisdictions permit deferred payment of the option premium, exposing the purchaser to liability for margin payments not exceeding the amount of the premium. The purchaser is still subject to the risk of losing the premium and transaction costs. When the option is exercised or expires, the purchaser is responsible for any unpaid premium outstanding at that time.

## **Additional risks common to futures and options**

### **4. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACTS**

You should ask the firm with which you deal about the terms and conditions of the specific futures or options which you are trading and associated obligations (e.g. the circumstances under which you may become obligated to make or take delivery of the underlying interest of a futures contract and, in respect of options, expiration dates and restrictions on the time for exercise). Under certain circumstances the specifications of outstanding contracts (including the exercise price of an option) may be modified by the exchange or clearing house to reflect changes in the underlying interest.

### **5. SUSPENSION OR RESTRICTION OF TRADING AND PRICING RELATIONSHIPS**

Market conditions (e.g. illiquidity) and/or the operation of the rules of certain markets (e.g. the suspension of trading in any contract or contract month because of price limits or circuit breakers) may increase the risk of loss by making it difficult or impossible to effect transactions or liquidate/offset positions. If you have sold options, this may increase the risk of loss.

Further, normal pricing relationships between the underlying interest and the future, and the underlying interest and the option may not exist. This can occur when, for example, the futures contract underlying the option is subject to price limits while the option is not. The absence of an underlying reference price may make it difficult to judge fair value.

### **6. DEPOSITED CASH AND PROPERTY**

You should familiarize yourself with the protections accorded money or other property you deposit for domestic and foreign transactions, particularly in the event of a firm insolvency or bankruptcy. The extent to which you may recover your money or property may be governed by specified legislation of local rules. In some jurisdictions, property which had been specifically identifiable as your own will be pro-rated in the same manner as cash for purposes of distribution in the event of a shortfall.

### **7. COMMISSION AND OTHER CHARGES**

Before you begin to trade, you should obtain a clear explanation of all commission, fees and other charges for which you will be liable. These charges will affect your net profit (if any) or increase your loss.

### **8. TRANSACTIONS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS**

Transactions on markets in other jurisdictions, including markets formally linked to a domestic market, may expose you to additional risk. Such markets may be subject to regulation which may offer different or diminished investor protection. Before you trade you should enquire about any rules relevant to your particular transactions. Your local regulatory authority will be unable to compel the enforcement of the rules of regulatory authorities or markets in their jurisdictions where your transactions have been effected. You should ask the firm with which you deal for details about the types of redress available in both your home jurisdiction and other relevant jurisdictions before you start to trade.

### **9. CURRENCY RISKS**

The profit or loss in transactions in foreign currency-denominated contracts (whether they are traded in your own or another jurisdiction) will be affected by fluctuations in currency rates where there is a need to convert from the currency denomination of the contract to another currency.

### **10. TRADING FACILITIES**

Most open-outcry and electronic trading facilities are supported by computer-based component systems for the order-routing, execution, matching, registration or clearing of trades. As with all facilities and systems, they are vulnerable to temporary disruption or failure. Your ability to recover certain losses may be subject to limits on liability imposed by the system provider, the market, the clearing house and/or member firms. Such limits may vary; you should ask the firm with which you deal for details in this respect.

### **11. ELECTRONIC TRADING**

Trading on an electronic trading system may differ not only from trading in an open-outcry market but also from trading on other electronic trading systems. If you undertake transactions on an electronic trading system, you will be exposed to risk associated with the system including the failure of hardware and software. The result of any system failure may be that your order is either not

executed according to your instructions or is not executed at all.

## 12. OFF-EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

In some jurisdictions, and only then in restricted circumstances, firms are permitted to effect off-exchange transactions. The firm with which you deal may be acting as your counterparty to the transaction. It may be difficult or impossible to liquidate an existing position, to assess the value, to determine a fair price or to assess the exposure to risk. For these reasons, these transactions may involve increased risks. Offexchange transactions may be less regulated or subject to a separate regulatory regime. Before you undertake such transactions, you should familiarize yourself with applicable rules and attendant risks.

Customer acknowledges that he or she has received, read and fully understands the Risk Disclosure Statement for Futures and Options (CFTC Rule 1.55).

FOR CORPORATIONS (An authorized Officer must sign)

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES (authorized LLC Member or Manager must sign)

PARTNERSHIPS (each General Partner must sign)

TRUSTS (all Trustees must sign)

FOR INDIVIDUAL JOINT ACCOUNTS (all Account Holders must sign)

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Print Name of Corporation, LLC, Partnership, or Trust

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Signature Date

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Authorized Signature Date

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## COMMODITY CUSTOMER AGREEMENT

### THIS AGREEMENT IS A LEGAL CONTRACT. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

This commodity customer agreement ("Agreement") is entered into between Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC") and the undersigned customer ("Customer"). In consideration of OEC agreeing to carry one or more accounts of Customer and providing services to Customer in connection with the purchase of, sale of, or execution of transactions in futures contracts, options on futures contracts, forward or leverage contracts, physical commodities, securities, options on securities, foreign futures contracts, options on foreign futures contracts, exchange of futures for physicals, foreign exchange contracts, options on foreign exchange contracts, domestic and foreign currencies and any similar instruments (collectively referred to as "Commodity Interests") which may be purchased or sold by or through OEC for Customer's account(s) ("Account(s)"), Customer agrees as follows:

#### 1. CUSTOMER REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.

If Customer is a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or other than a natural person, Customer represents and warrants that:

- (a) Customer is the sole owner of Customer's Account(s) and is suitable to trade Commodity Interests; and,
- (b) no person or entity, except as disclosed in writing to OEC, has an interest in Customer's Account(s); and,
- (c) all information provided to OEC is true, correct and complete as of the date of this Agreement; and,
- (d) Customer will notify OEC promptly in writing of any changes in such information; and,
- (e) Customer agrees to notify OEC of the identity of any other person or entity who owns or controls the trading of Customer's Account(s), has a financial interest in Customer's Account(s) or the identity of any other Account(s) carried by OEC which the Customer controls or in which the Customer owns any interest; and,
- (f) all checks or wire transfers received by OEC from Customer's bank account(s) shall be deemed to have been sent with the requisite authority by Customer; and,
- (g) Customer has all requisite authority pursuant to applicable federal and state law and regulation to enter into this agreement and trade Commodity Interests for Customer's Account(s).

If Customer is a natural person, Customer represents and warrants that:

- (a) Customer is the sole owner of Customer's Account(s) and is of sound mind, legal age and legal competence and suitable to trade Commodity Interests; and,
- (b) no person or entity, except as disclosed in writing to OEC, has an interest in Customer's Account(s); and,
- (c) all information provided to OEC is true, correct and complete as of the date of this Agreement; and,
- (d) Customer will notify OEC promptly in writing of any changes in such information; and,
- (e) Customer agrees to notify OEC of the identity of any other person or entity who owns or controls the trading of Customer's Account(s), has a financial interest in Customer's Account(s) or the identity of any other account(s) carried by OEC which the Customer controls or in which the Customer owns any interest; and,
- (f) all checks or wire transfers received by OEC from Customer's bank account(s) shall be deemed to have been sent with the requisite authority by Customer; and,

(g) Customer is not an employee of any securities or futures exchange, any corporation in which any securities or futures exchange owns a majority of the capital stock, any member of any securities or futures exchange or any firm registered on any securities or futures exchange and if Customer becomes so employed Customer will promptly notify OEC in writing of such employment; and,

(h) Customer is not an employee of any bank, trust or insurance company and if Customer becomes so employed Customer will promptly notify OEC in writing of such employment.

## **2. AUTHORIZATION TO TRADE.**

Customer agrees that OEC is authorized to purchase, sell and otherwise execute transactions in Commodity Interests for Customer's Account(s) in accordance with Customer's oral, telephonic, electronic, facsimile or written instructions. Unless instructed by Customer to the contrary in writing, OEC is authorized to purchase, sell or otherwise execute transactions in Commodity Interests for Customer's Account(s) on such securities or futures exchanges or over-the-counter markets as OEC deems appropriate. If Customer places orders in Commodity Interests orally, telephonically or electronically, Customer hereby waives any defense that such order was not in writing if, or as, required by any statute. OEC will attempt to execute all orders in Commodity Interests which OEC may, in OEC's sole discretion, choose to accept for the purchase, sale or execution of transactions in Commodity Interests for Customer's Account(s) in accordance with the oral, telephonic, electronic, facsimile or written instructions of Customer.

## **3. CUSTOMER'S FINANCIAL ABILITY.**

Customer agrees that Customer's representations of Customer's financial ability to withstand losses and to meet margin requirements with regard to Customer's Account(s) is a major consideration for OEC's acceptance of such Account(s). Customer agrees to immediately notify OEC if Customer is unable to sustain a loss or is unable or unwilling to meet any actual or reasonably anticipated margin requirement with regard to Customer's Account(s).

Customer authorizes OEC or OEC's agents to investigate Customer's credit standing and to contact such banks, financial institutions and credit agencies as OEC shall deem appropriate to verify credit information with regard to Customer. Customer further authorizes OEC to investigate Customer's current and past investment activity and to contact such futures commission merchants, securities and futures exchanges, broker-dealers and compliance data centers as OEC shall deem appropriate to verify investment information. Customer hereby directs all such sources to cooperate with OEC with regard to such investigations which shall be done at OEC's expense. OEC shall not be held liable by reason of accepting Customer's representations or silence or by failing to investigate Customer's financial standing, credit standing or investment activity whether in the past, present or future. Customer agrees to immediately notify OEC of any material change in Customer's financial standing or credit standing or of any dissolution, liquidation, bankruptcy or any similar act relating to or affecting Customer. Customer agrees that if such an event occurs, OEC is authorized to liquidate any Commodity Interests in Customer's Account(s) in accordance with Section 11 below without prior notice or demand to Customer.

Customer agrees that if Customer is a member of any exchange and OEC acts as Customer's primary clearing member, Customer shall maintain all of Customer's Account(s) exclusively with OEC. OEC may waive OEC's right to be such Customer's sole brokerage firm if such Customer satisfies OEC that the maintenance of any other account(s) will not adversely affect such Customer's financial ability. OEC's waiver must be in writing and signed by a OEC officer to be effective.

## **4. RECORDINGS.**

Customer agrees that OEC is authorized, but not required, at any time to record by tape, wire or other method, with or without a periodic tone signal, all telephonic or other oral communications between Customer and OEC. Customer agrees to the use of such recordings and transcripts of the same, if any, as evidence by OEC in connection with any dispute or proceeding that may arise involving Customer or OEC. Customer understands that OEC destroys such recordings, if any, at regular intervals in accordance with OEC's established business procedures. Customer agrees to such destruction.

## **5. OEC'S RESPONSIBILITIES.**

Customer agrees that OEC shall not be responsible or liable for any losses, damages, costs or expenses (including, without limitation, loss of profits, loss of use, direct, indirect or consequential damages) caused directly or indirectly by any events, actions or omissions beyond the control of OEC. Customer agrees that such events, actions or omissions include, without limitation, delays or inaccuracies in the transmission of orders or other instructions with regard to Customer's Account(s) due to a breakdown or failure of any communication, transmission or execution facility. Customer understands that securities or futures exchanges on which Commodity Interest trading occurs may impose daily trading limits with regard to the trading of certain Commodity Interests and may, from time to time, change such trading limits. Customer understands trading limits may cause trading in a certain Commodity Interest to cease, thereby preventing the liquidation of an adverse Commodity Interest position to Customer's financial detriment.

## **6. ELECTRONIC TRADING.**

Customer agrees that if Customer trades Commodity Interests electronically (including, without limitation, via the internet, electronic mail, electronic bulletin board, facsimile or other similar means ("Electronic Medium")) OEC shall not be held responsible or liable for any losses, damages, costs or expenses (including, without limitation, loss of profits, loss of use, direct, indirect or consequential damages) arising from:

- (a) any failure or malfunction of any of OEC's electronic order entry system(s) including, without limitation, Customer's ability or inability to enter, change or cancel an electronic order(s) for Customer's Account(s); or,
- (b) any fault or error with regard to the delivery, price report, fill report, delay, omission, suspension, execution or termination of an electronic order(s) for Customer's Account(s); or,
- (c) any fault or error with regard to the maintenance of any or all of OEC's electronic order entry system(s) or any of OEC's or any securities or futures exchange's facilities used to support any such electronic order entry system(s).

Customer agrees that Customer is solely responsible for maintaining sufficient margin, which shall be no less than that required by the applicable securities or futures exchange on which such Commodity Interest is traded (but may be greater as determined in OEC's sole and absolute discretion), with regard to Commodity Interests traded electronically by Customer for Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees that OEC is not responsible or liable to Customer for accepting or refusing to accept any electronic order(s) for Customer's Account(s) for which Customer has not deposited and maintained sufficient margin.

## **7. GOVERNMENTAL, NATIONAL FUTURES ASSOCIATION, AND EXCHANGE RULES.**

Customer agrees that this Agreement and all purchases, sales and transactions with regard to Commodity Interests for Customer's Account(s) shall be subject to the constitution, by-laws, rules, regulations, customs, usage, rulings and interpretations of the securities or futures exchange or other applicable market (and its clearing organization, if any) where executed and to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations and those of any other regulatory body. If any statute, rule or regulation is enacted or adopted subsequent to the execution of this Agreement by any governmental authority, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"), the National Futures Association ("NFA"), any other duly registered futures association, a securities or futures exchange or clearing organization which shall be binding upon OEC and shall affect in any manner or be inconsistent with any provisions of this Agreement, the affected provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed modified or superseded, as the case may be, by the applicable provisions of such statute, rule or regulation and all other provisions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. Customer agrees that Customer shall not acquire any independent legal or contractual rights with regard to any such statute, rule or regulation.

## **8. MARGINS AND DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS.**

Customer agrees to maintain in Customer's Account at all times collateral or margin as required in OEC's sole and absolute discretion. Customer agrees that in no case shall such collateral or margin be less than that required by the securities or futures exchange on which the Commodity Interest traded by Customer for Customer's Account(s) is traded, however such collateral or margin required may exceed that established by such securities or futures exchange in OEC's sole and absolute discretion. Customer agrees that margin requirements are subject to change without notice and will be enforced retroactively and prospectively.

Customer agrees that if at any time Customer fails to maintain sufficient collateral or margin in Customer's Account(s), Customer shall pay immediately upon demand by OEC all margin owing with regard to Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees to meet all demands by OEC for margin within a reasonable time after such demand and in such manner as requested by OEC, which may include wire transfer of immediately available funds. Customer agrees to provide OEC with the names of bank officers and information necessary for immediate verification of such wire transfers.

Customer agrees that one hour may be deemed a reasonable time to meet a margin demand. However, Customer agrees that OEC, in OEC's sole and absolute discretion, may request that margin be met in a lesser period of time. Customer agrees that OEC's failure to require satisfaction of a margin demand within one hour or lesser period of time on any occasion shall not be deemed a waiver of OEC's right to require such satisfaction on any subsequent occasion.

Customer agrees that Customer's failure to receive a margin demand does not relieve Customer of the obligation to maintain margin in Customer's Account(s) as required by OEC or any securities or futures exchange. OEC's obligation, if any, to demand margin prior to liquidation of Customer's Account(s) shall be satisfied by one attempt to establish contact with Customer by telephone, facsimile or other Electronic Medium as determined in OEC's sole and absolute discretion.

Notwithstanding any provision contained in this Section, OEC may at any time proceed to liquidate Customer's Account(s) in accordance with the provisions of Section 11 below.

## **9. OPTIONS TRADING.**

Customer understands that futures exchanges and their clearinghouses have established certain cut-off times for the tender of instructions to exercise, or prevent the exercise of, options on commodity futures and other Commodity Interests (each an "Option" and collectively "Options") which are purchased or sold by Customer for Customer's Account(s). Customer understands that OEC may establish cut-off times for the tender of instructions to exercise, or prevent the exercise of, Options which are lesser than those established by the futures exchange on which such Option is traded. Customer agrees to accept full responsibility for knowing such cut-off times and tendering such instructions to exercise, or prevent the exercise of, Options which are purchased or sold by Customer for Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees that OEC has no responsibility whatsoever to exercise, or prevent the exercise of, Options in Customer's Account(s) (including, without limitation, Options that may be "in the money").

Customer understands that certain futures exchanges and their clearinghouses automatically exercise Options which are "in the money" unless instructed otherwise. Customer understands that short Options are subject to assignment at any time, including the day on which short Options may be established, and that such assignments are allocated OEC-comply. Customer understands that any such assignment will result in a corresponding futures or cash position in Customer's Account(s) which may subject Customer to additional margin requirements. Customer agrees that Customer's Account(s) shall be charged separate commissions at such rates which are in effect from time to time upon the exercise or offset of Options in Customer's Account(s).

## **10. COLLATERAL AND LENDING AGREEMENT.**

Customer agrees that all monies, funds, reserves, deposits, securities, negotiable instruments, Commodity Interests, cash, cash equivalents and property (collectively "Property") belonging to Customer or in which Customer has an interest which are held by OEC, either individually or jointly with others or as guarantor of the account(s) of any other person, shall be subject to a general lien and security interest for the discharge of Customer's obligations to OEC, wherever or however arising and without regard to whether OEC has made any advances with regard to such Property. Customer agrees that OEC is authorized to sell or purchase any and all such Property without notice to Customer to satisfy such general lien or security interest.

Customer irrevocably appoints OEC as Customer's attorney-in-fact with power of substitution to execute any documents for the perfection or registration of such general lien or security interest with regard to Customer's Property. Customer agrees that OEC may, in OEC's sole and absolute discretion, without notice to Customer apply and/or transfer any or all of Customer's Property between Customer's Account(s). Customer grants OEC the right to pledge, re-pledge, hypothecate, invest with or loan to OEC as broker or to others any of Customer's Property held by OEC, separately or together with any Property of other customers, as margin or collateral for Customer's Account(s) (including, without limitation, OEC's right to engage in securities repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements with others). Customer

agrees that OEC shall not be required to deliver the identical Property delivered or purchased by OEC for any of Customer's Account(s).

Customer agrees that if Customer takes delivery of a Commodity Interest, OEC may utilize such Commodity Interest (or any other property, warehouse receipts or evidence of ownership of such Commodity Interest) as collateral for a bank loan. Customer agrees that the proceeds from such bank loan may be used by OEC to pay for the Commodity Interest (or evidence of ownership of such Commodity Interest) until re-delivery of the Commodity Interest and/or payment by Customer in full, including interest, for the same. The rights granted to OEC pursuant to this Section are subject to the applicable requirements with regard to the segregation of customer funds and property under the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.

#### **11. LIQUIDATION OF ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT OF DEFICIT BALANCES.**

Customer agrees that if Customer fails to deposit and maintain sufficient Property in Customer's Account(s) to satisfy any margin requirement (whether original or variation), or whenever OEC in OEC's sole and absolute discretion deems it necessary for OEC's protection, OEC may, without prior demand or notice, liquidate the Commodity Interest positions in Customer's Account(s) (including, without limitation, by exchange of futures for physical transaction(s)), hedge and/or offset such Commodity Interest positions in the cash market or otherwise or sell or otherwise liquidate any Property belonging to Customer or in which Customer has an interest. Customer agrees that OEC may cancel any of Customer's open orders for the purchase or sale of any Commodity Interest or buy or borrow any property required to make delivery against any such sales, including a short sale, all solely for Customer's Account(s) and risk. Customer agrees that any such sale or purchase may be public or private and may be made without advertising or notice to Customer and in such manner as OEC may, in OEC's sole and absolute discretion, determine. Customer agrees that no demands, tenders or notices which OEC makes or gives to Customer shall invalidate Customer's aforesaid waiver of the same. Customer agrees that at any such sale OEC may purchase the property free from any right of redemption and Customer shall not make any claim against OEC concerning the manner or timing of the sale.

Customer agrees that the proceeds of any transaction(s) effected under the provisions of this Section shall be applied toward any indebtedness owed by Customer to OEC. Customer agrees to accept full responsibility for any remaining deficit balances in Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees that if the proceeds of any transaction(s) effected under this Section are insufficient for the payment of all Customer's liabilities due to OEC, Customer shall promptly on demand pay the deficit and all unpaid liabilities and charges in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, together with interest thereon equal to three percentage points above the then prevailing prime rate at OEC's principal bank or twelve (12) percent per annum, whichever is higher. Customer agrees that Customer is responsible for all costs of collection of such deficit balances including, without limitation, all expenses, attorneys' fees, pre-judgment interest, witness fees and travel expenses.

#### **12. DELIVERY MONTH LIQUIDATION INSTRUCTIONS.**

Customer agrees that liquidation instructions with regard to open Commodity Interest positions maturing in such Commodity Interest's expiration month must be given to OEC at least five (5) business days prior to the first notice day with regard to long Commodity Interest positions, and, in the case of short Commodity Interest positions, at least seven (7) business days prior to the last trading day. Alternatively, Customer agrees to deposit with and provide to OEC sufficient monies or funds to take delivery of the Commodity Interest along with the necessary delivery documents within these same time periods. Customer agrees that if neither instructions or sufficient monies or funds and delivery documents are received from Customer, OEC may, but is not required to, without notice, either liquidate Customer's Commodity Interest positions or make or receive delivery on behalf of Customer. Customer agrees that OEC may, but is not required to, liquidate such Customer's Commodity Interest positions or make or receive such delivery on such terms and by such methods as determined in OEC's sole and absolute discretion, including, without limitation, in accordance with Sections 10 and 11.

#### **13. CHARGES.**

Customer agrees to pay such fees, brokerage, commissions, service charges, transaction fees and all other reasonable and customary fees (including, without limitation, storage, delivery, document retrieval, give-up, give-in, wire transfer and execution fees) as OEC may impose or which may be imposed by any securities or futures exchange or regulatory organization. Customer agrees that securities or futures exchange, clearing, brokerage and NFA fees may be charged as

separate items for each transaction in Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees that all fees are subject to change without notice. Customer agrees that Commodity Interest transactions effected on the MidAmerica Commodity Exchange may include a "changer fee" and the amount of such fee, if any, included in a transaction price will be provided upon request. Customer agrees that if Customer's Account(s) is transferred to or from another futures commission merchant a reasonable transfer charge may be imposed and charged to Customer's Account(s).

#### **14. CONFIRMATION AND NOTICES.**

Customer agrees that reports of the confirmation of Commodity Interest trades and statements of Customer's Account(s) (collectively "Reports") shall be deemed to have been received by Customer when transmitted by OEC orally or by Electronic Medium or by U.S. mail three (3) days after mailing of the same, whichever is earlier. Customer agrees that such Reports shall be conclusive and binding on Customer if not orally objected to by Customer immediately upon receipt and such objection is also received by OEC in writing within five (5) days thereafter. Customer agrees that oral and written notification of objections to such Reports shall be directed to OEC's compliance department at the address appearing on the Reports. Customer agrees that any such objections shall only be deemed to have been received by OEC if delivered by registered mail return receipt requested.

Customer agrees that Customer's failure to object in accordance with this Section shall be deemed ratification of all actions or inactions taken by OEC prior to Customer's receipt of such Reports. Customer agrees that Customer's failure to receive a Report shall not relieve Customer of the obligation to timely object to any transactions with regard to Customer's Account(s). Customer agrees that if Customer fails to receive Reports for Customer's Account(s) within seven (7) days from the date of a transaction in Customer's Account(s) such transaction shall be conclusive and deemed ratified by Customer.

#### **15. COMMUNICATIONS.**

Customer agrees that Reports, statements, notices and any other communications may be transmitted to Customer at the address given in Customer's Account documentation or to such other address as Customer may from time to time designate in writing to OEC. Customer agrees to waive all claims arising from Customer's failure to receive such Reports, statements, notices and other communications if Customer fails to notify OEC's compliance department in writing of a change of address, facsimile number and/or electronic mail address, as the case may be. Customer agrees that all Reports, statements, notices and other communications shall be deemed received by Customer when transmitted by OEC orally or by Electronic Medium or by U.S. mail three (3) days after mailing of the same, whichever is earlier.

#### **16. OEC'S OBLIGATIONS.**

Customer agrees that OEC is not responsible for any losses resulting directly or indirectly from any government restriction, exchange ruling, suspension of trading, actions of independent floor brokers, persons beyond OEC's control, war, strike, natural disaster, or wire malfunction, delay in mails or any other delay in or inaccuracy in the transmission of orders or information due to a failure or breakdown of communication facilities. Customer agrees that all Commodity Interest information, including, without limitation, price quotations and trade price reports, are subject to change, error and delay in reporting and Customer agrees that reliance on such information is at Customer's sole risk. Customer agrees that Customer is bound to the actual execution price of Commodity Interest transactions on the securities or futures exchange, over-the-counter market, cash market or otherwise on which a Commodity Interest is executed and that OEC is not bound by erroneous transaction price reports communicated to Customer. Customer agrees that OEC shall only be liable for its actions or inactions which amount to fraud or gross negligence.

#### **17. CURRENCY FLUCTUATION RISK.**

Customer agrees that if Customer effects any Commodity Interest transaction in a foreign currency that:

- (a) any profit or loss arising as a result of a fluctuation in the exchange rate affecting such currency will be solely for Customer's Account(s) and risk; and,
- (b) all initial and subsequent deposits of margin in Customer's Account(s) shall be made in U.S. dollars (which may be waived in OEC's sole and absolute discretion) in such amounts as OEC may in OEC's sole and absolute discretion require; and,

(c) OEC is authorized to convert monies and funds in Customer's Account(s) into or from such foreign currency at a rate of exchange determined by OEC in OEC's sole and absolute discretion on the basis of then prevailing money market rates.

## **18. TRADING RECOMMENDATIONS.**

Customer agrees that:

(a) any market information and recommendation communicated by OEC to Customer does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any Commodity Interest; and,

(b) such information and recommendation, although based upon information obtained from sources believed by OEC to be reliable, may be based solely on a broker's opinion and such information may be incomplete and unverified; and,

(c) OEC makes no representation, warranty, covenant or guarantee as to and shall not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of any such information or trading recommendation furnished to Customer.

Customer agrees that OEC and/or OEC's officers, directors, affiliates, associates, stockholders or representatives may have a position in or may intend to buy or sell Commodity Interests which are the subject of market information and recommendations furnished to the Customer and that the market position of OEC or any such officer, director, affiliate, associate, stockholder or representative may not be consistent with the information and recommendations furnished by OEC to Customer. Customer agrees that OEC makes no representations concerning the tax implications or treatment of Commodity Interests recommended by OEC to Customer.

Customer agrees that if Customer grants trading authority or control over Customer's Account(s) to a third party ("Trading Agent"), whether on a discretionary or non-discretionary basis, OEC shall not be responsible for reviewing Customer's choice of such Trading Agent or making any recommendations with regard to such Trading Agent. Customer agrees that OEC makes no representations or warranties with regard to the Trading Agent and that OEC shall not be responsible for any loss to Customer resulting from the actions or inactions of the Trading Agent. Customer agrees that OEC does not, by implication or otherwise, endorse or approve the operating methods of any Trading Agent. Customer agrees that if Customer gives Trading Agent authority to exercise any of Customer's rights over Customer's Account(s) Customer does so at Customer's own risk. Customer agrees that the provisions set forth in this Section apply whether or not any Trading Agent was recommended by OEC to Customer or chosen of Customer's own volition.

## **19. FOREIGN BROKER OR FOREIGN TRADER NOTICE.**

Customer agrees that if Customer is a foreign trader (i.e. a non-U.S. resident who owns or controls a Commodity Interest Account(s)) or a foreign broker (i.e. a non-U.S. resident who carries a Commodity Interest Account(s) for any other person) Customer agrees that CFTC Regulation 15.05 designates OEC as Customer's agent (and in the case of a foreign broker the agent of such foreign broker's customers) for purposes of accepting delivery and service of communications issued by the CFTC with regard to any futures or options on futures contracts which are or have been maintained in accounts carried by OEC. Customer agrees that service or delivery of any such communication to OEC shall constitute valid and effective service or delivery on Customer (and in the case of a foreign broker the customers of such foreign broker). Customer agrees that CFTC Regulation 21.03 requires Customer to provide to the CFTC upon special call market information with regard to Customer's futures and options on futures trading. Customer agrees that if Customer fails to respond to the special call the CFTC may direct the appropriate contract market and all brokers to prohibit further trades for or on Customer's behalf (and in the case of a foreign broker for or on the behalf of the customers of such foreign broker) in the contract specified in the call unless such trades offset existing open Commodity Interest positions. Customer understands that pursuant to CFTC regulation 21.03(g) if Customer believes that the action taken by the CFTC is detrimental Customer shall have the opportunity for a prompt hearing after the CFTC acts.

## **20. NO WAIVER OR AMENDMENT, ADDENDUMS TO AGREEMENT.**

Customer agrees that no provision of this Agreement may be waived or amended except in writing signed by a principal of OEC. Customer agrees that no oral agreements or instructions contrary to any provision of this Agreement will be recognized or enforceable. Customer agrees to be bound to any amendments to this Agreement unless Customer

objects in writing within three (3) business days after delivery of the notice of such amendments. Such notice shall be deemed to have been delivered when transmitted by OEC by Electronic Mail or by U.S. mail three (3) days after mailing of the same, whichever is earlier. Customer agrees that the failure of OEC to enforce any provision of this Agreement at any time shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision and shall not in any way affect the validity of this Agreement or OEC's right to thereafter enforce each and every provision of this Agreement. Customer agrees that no waiver or amendment shall be implied from OEC's conduct, action or inaction.

Customer agrees that any and all addendums to this Agreement shall have the same force and effect as the provisions of this Agreement and are expressly incorporated herein by reference. Terms in any and all addendums shall have the same meanings as defined in this Agreement unless otherwise defined. Customer agrees that if any provision of any addendum conflicts with any provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall control.

## **21. BINDING EFFECT.**

Customer agrees that this Agreement shall be continuous and shall cover, individually and collectively, all of Customer's Account(s) at any time with OEC and shall be binding on Customer and/or Customer's estate, executor, trustees, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns. Customer agrees that by executing this Agreement Customer ratifies all transactions with OEC effected prior to the date of this Agreement and agrees that the rights and obligations of Customer shall be governed by the provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of OEC's present organization and any successor organization irrespective of any changes at any time of personnel for any cause whatsoever. Customer agrees that OEC may, subject to the applicable rules and regulations of the CFTC, NFA and securities or futures exchanges, assign this Agreement and transfer Customer's Account(s) to another futures commission merchant or introducing broker.

## **22. TERMINATION.**

This Agreement shall continue in effect until termination and may be terminated by Customer only when Customer has no open Commodity Interest positions in Customer's Account(s), no liabilities held by or owed to OEC and on the actual receipt by OEC at its principal office of written notice of termination by Customer. Customer agrees that OEC may terminate this Agreement at any time whatsoever when notice of such termination is transmitted by OEC orally or by Electronic Medium or by U.S. mail three (3) days after mailing of the same, whichever is earlier. However, such termination by OEC shall not affect any transactions previously entered into and shall not relieve either OEC or Customer of any obligations set out in this Agreement, including, without limitation, Customer's obligation to satisfy any deficit balances in Customer's Account(s).

## **23. INDEMNIFICATION, PAYMENT OF COSTS.**

Customer agrees to indemnify and hold OEC, OEC's officers, directors, employees, affiliates, agents, successors and assigns harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, interest and pre-judgment interest incurred by OEC arising out of Customer's failure to fully and timely perform Customer's agreements herein or in the event that any of Customer's representations and warranties fail to be true and correct. Customer agrees to pay promptly to OEC all damages, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, interest and pre-judgment interest incurred by OEC in the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Agreement and any other agreements between OEC and Customer. Customer agrees that if Customer should commence any action against OEC in any judicial, arbitration or administrative forum (including, without limitation, CFTC reparations proceedings and NFA arbitrations), whether in law or equity, arising out of or relating to this Agreement and Customer fails to prevail in such action, OEC shall be entitled to, and Customer shall be liable to OEC for, OEC's costs of defending the same, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees incurred in defense of such action.

## **24. PERMISSION TO TAKE THE OTHER SIDE OF A TRADE.**

Customer agrees that a situation may arise whereby OEC, a OEC officer, director, affiliate, associate, employee, floor broker or floor trader may be the opposing broker for a Commodity Interest trade entered for the Customer's Account(s). Customer consents to any such transaction, subject to the limitations and conditions, if any, contained in the rules or regulations of the CFTC, NFA or any securities or futures exchange.

## **25. AUTHORITY.**

Customer represents and warrants that Customer has the requisite authority to engage in the transactions contemplated pursuant to this Agreement and that by entering into this Agreement and trading Commodity Interests, Customer and Customer's principals, if any, will not be violating any statute, contract, prohibition or the rules and regulations of any authority by which Customer is bound. Customer agrees that, having authorized the opening of Customer's Account(s), Customer will undertake to affirmatively supervise Customer's agents and employees to determine that they are not acting in excess of their authority with regard to deposits, withdrawals, trading activity or in any other manner. Customer also represents and warrants that Customer has, and agrees that Customer will, fully and timely advise all persons and entities which have, may have or will have an interest in Customer, Customer's income, Customer's assets and Customer's activities of this Agreement and the Commodity Interest transactions in Customer's Account(s).

## **26. TERMS AND HEADINGS.**

As used in this Agreement the term "OEC" shall be deemed to include Open E Cry, LLC, OEC's parent, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors and assigns. As used in this Agreement the term "Customer" shall mean the party (or parties) executing this Agreement and those with an interest in the assets of Customer's Account(s). The paragraph headings in this Agreement are inserted for convenience or reference only and are not deemed to limit the applicability or affect the meaning of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

## **27. ACCEPTANCE.**

This Agreement shall not be deemed to be accepted by OEC or become a binding contract between Customer and OEC until approved at OEC's principal office.

## **28. CONSTRUCTION.**

Customer agrees that Customer has been advised to and had the opportunity to seek independent attorneys, accountants or other advisers with regard to this Agreement and the provisions set forth herein. Customer and OEC agree that this Agreement shall not be construed against any party for having drafted it.

## **29. GOVERNING LAW, VENUE, CONSENT TO JURISDICTION, SEVERABILITY.**

This Agreement has been made and delivered at Chicago, Illinois. Its validity, construction and enforcement shall be governed by the laws of the state of Illinois without reference to choice or conflicts of law principles. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between OEC and Customer with regard to the subject matter set forth herein. Whenever possible each portion of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner to be valid and effective under applicable law. However, if any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid under or prohibited by such applicable law, such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity or prohibition without affecting the validity of the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement. **CUSTOMER AGREES NOT TO COMMENCE ANY LEGAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST OEC UNTIL ANY DEFICIT BALANCE IN CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT(S) IS SATISFIED.**

### **CONSENT TO JURISDICTION**

**ALL ACTIONS, DISPUTES, CLAIMS OR PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY ARBITRATION PROCEEDING (INCLUDING NFA ARBITRATIONS AND CFTC REPARATIONS CLAIMS) ARISING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN CONNECTION WITH, OUT OF, OR RELATED TO OR FROM THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CUSTOMER AND OEC, OR ANY ORDERS PLACED OR TRANSACTIONS EFFECTED FOR THE CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT(S), WHETHER OR NOT INITIATED BY OEC, SHALL BE ADJUDICATED ONLY IN COURTS OR OTHER DISPUTE RESOLUTION FORUMS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, STATE OF ILLINOIS. CUSTOMER SPECIFICALLY CONSENTS AND SUB. MITS TO JURISDICTION OF ANY STATE OR FEDERAL COURT OR ARBITRATION OR REPARATION TRIBUNAL LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, STATE OF ILLINOIS. CUSTOMER WAIVES ANY CLAIM CUSTOMER MAY HAVE THAT: (A) CUSTOMER IS NOT PERSONALLY SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF ANY STATE OR FEDERAL COURT OR**

**ARBITRATION OR REPARATION TRIBUNAL LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, STATE OF ILLINOIS, (B) CUSTOMER IS IMMUNE FROM ANY LEGAL PROCESS (WHETHER THROUGH SERVICE OR NOTICE, ATTACHMENT PRIOR TO JUDGEMENT, ATTACHMENT IN AID OF EXECUTION, EXECUTION OR OTHERWISE) WITH REGARD TO CUSTOMER OR CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY, (C) ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING IS BROUGHT IN AN INCONVENIENT FORUM, (D) THE VENUE OF ANY SUCH SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING IS IMPROPER, OR (E) THIS CONSENT OR THIS AGREEMENT BETWEEN CUSTOMER AND OEC MAY NOT BE ENFORCED IN OR BY SUCH COURT OR TRIBUNAL.**

**BY SIGNING THIS CONTRACT CONTAINING THIS CONSENT TO JURISDICTION CUSTOMER ASSENTS TO THE JURISDICTION SET FORTH ABOVE AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THESE CLAUSES WERE FREELY AND KNOWINGLY NEGOTIATED BETWEEN OEC AND CUSTOMER.**

**30. RISK ACKNOWLEDGMENT.**

**CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT INVESTMENT IN COMMODITY INTEREST CONTRACTS IS SPECULATIVE, INVOLVES A HIGH DEGREE OF RISK AND IS APPROPRIATE ONLY FOR PERSONS WHO CAN ASSUME RISK OF LOSS IN EXCESS OF THEIR MARGIN DEPOSIT. CUSTOMER UNDERSTANDS THAT BECAUSE OF THE HIGH LEVERAGE INVOLVED IN COMMODITY INTEREST TRADING, PRICE CHANGES IN THE UNDERLYING COMMODITY MAY RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT LOSSES, LOSSES WHICH MAY SUBSTANTIALLY EXCEED CUSTOMER'S INVESTMENT AND MARGIN DEPOSIT. CUSTOMER WARRANTS THAT CUSTOMER IS WILLING AND ABLE, FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE, TO ASSUME THE RISK OF COMMODITY INTEREST TRADING, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF OEC'S CARRYING CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT(S) CUSTOMER AGREES NOT TO HOLD OEC RESPONSIBLE FOR LOSSES INCURRED THROUGH FOLLOWING OEC'S TRADING RECOMMENDATIONS OR SUGGESTIONS OR THOSE OF OEC'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES. CUSTOMER RECOGNIZES THAT GUARANTEES OF PROFIT OR FREEDOM FROM LOSS ARE IMPOSSIBLE IN COMMODITY INTEREST TRADING. CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT CUSTOMER HAS RECEIVED NO SUCH GUARANTEES FROM OEC OR FROM ANY OF OEC'S REPRESENTATIVES OR ANY INTRODUCING BROKER OR OTHER ENTITY WITH WHOM CUSTOMER IS CONDUCTING CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT AND HAS NOT ENTERED INTO THIS AGREEMENT IN CONSIDERATION OF OR IN RELIANCE UPON ANY SUCH GUARANTEES OR SIMILAR REPRESENTATIONS.**

**CUSTOMER AGREEMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The undersigned acknowledges that he or she has received, read, fully understands and agrees to be bound by the Commodity Customer Agreement:

- FOR CORPORATIONS (An authorized Officer must sign)
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## **ARBITRATION AGREEMENT**

Customer agrees to submit all disputes with OEC to arbitration if such disputes arise out of or relate to Customer's Account(s) and/or the Commodity Customer Agreement.

At such time that either Customer or OEC notifies the other of the intent to submit a dispute to arbitration (which, if at OEC's election, OEC may or may not elect to submit, in OEC's sole and absolute discretion), Customer will have the opportunity to elect a qualified forum to conduct the arbitration proceeding. OEC will provide Customer (within ten (10) days if arbitration is elected by Customer, or immediately if arbitration is elected by OEC) with a list of organizations whose procedures are qualified to conduct arbitrations pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission regulations, together with a copy of the rules of each forum listed. If Customer chooses to have a dispute heard by a qualified organization which provides for a mixed panel of arbitrators, OEC will pay any incremental fees which may be assessed by the organization for providing a mixed panel of arbitrators, except that Customer may be required to pay such fees if the arbitrators in the proceeding decide that Customer acted in bad faith in initiating or conducting the proceeding.

No arbitration panel shall have the right to award punitive damages to either party. Judgment upon any award rendered by an arbitration panel shall be final, binding and enforceable and such judgment may be entered in any court of law within the state of Illinois or any other court of law having competent jurisdiction thereof. If Customer elects to submit a dispute to arbitration, Customer must do so within one (1) year from the date the cause of action giving rise to such dispute arose.

### **THREE FORUMS EXIST FOR THE RESOLUTION OF COMMODITY DISPUTES: CIVIL COURT LITIGATION, REPARATIONS AT THE COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION ("CFTC") AND ARBITRATION CONDUCTED BY A SELF-REGULATORY OR OTHER PRIVATE ORGANIZATION.**

**THE CFTC RECOGNIZES THAT THE OPPORTUNITY TO SETTLE DISPUTES BY ARBITRATION MAY IN SOME CASES PROVIDE MANY BENEFITS TO CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING THE ABILITY TO OBTAIN AN EXPEDITIOUS AND FINAL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES WITHOUT INCURRING SUBSTANTIAL COSTS. THE CFTC REQUIRES, HOWEVER, THAT EACH CUSTOMER INDIVIDUALLY EXAMINE THE RELATIVE MERITS OF ARBITRATION AND THAT YOUR CONSENT TO THIS ARBITRATION AGREEMENT BE VOLUNTARY.**

**BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU: (1) MAY BE WAIVING YOUR RIGHT TO SUE IN A COURT OF LAW; AND (2) ARE AGREEING TO BE BOUND BY ARBITRATION OF ANY CLAIMS OR COUNTERCLAIMS WHICH YOU OR OEC MAY SUBMIT TO ARBITRATION UNDER THIS AGREEMENT. YOU ARE NOT, HOWEVER, WAIVING YOUR RIGHT TO ELECT INSTEAD TO PETITION THE CFTC TO INSTITUTE REPARATIONS PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 14 OF THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT WITH RESPECT TO ANY DISPUTE WHICH MAY BE ARBITRATED PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT. IN THE EVENT A DISPUTE ARISES, YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED IF OEC INTENDS TO SUBMIT THE DISPUTE TO ARBITRATION.**

**IF YOU BELIEVE A VIOLATION OF THE COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT IS INVOLVED AND IF YOU PREFER TO REQUEST A SECTION 14 "REPARATIONS" PROCEEDING BEFORE THE CFTC, YOU HAVE 45 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH NOTICE IN WHICH TO MAKE THAT ELECTION.**

**YOU NEED NOT SIGN THIS AGREEMENT TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT WITH OEC (SEE 17 CFR 180.1-180.5).**

The undersigned Customer agrees to submit to arbitration all disputes arising out of or relating to Customer's Account(s) with OEC, including any claim against OEC or any past or present director, officer, shareholder, affiliate, agent, alleged agent, employee or associated person of OEC, or any other person for whose acts OEC is alleged to be liable, and the undersigned Customer understands and hereby agrees with and assents to this arbitration agreement.

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## **ELECTRONIC TRADING AND ORDER ROUTING SYSTEMS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT\***

**(Prepared by subcommittee of the NFA)**

Electronic trading and order routing systems differ from traditional open outcry pit trading and manual order routing methods. Transactions using an electronic system are subject to the rules and regulations of the exchange(s) offering the system and/or listing the contract. Before you engage in transactions using an electronic system, you should carefully review the rules and regulations of the exchange(s) offering the system and/or listing contracts you intend to trade.

### **DIFFERENCES AMONG ELECTRONIC TRADING SYSTEMS**

Trading or routing orders through electronic systems varies widely among the different electronic systems. You should consult the rules and regulations of the exchange offering the electronic system and/or listing the contract traded or order routed to understand, among other things, in the case of trading systems, the system's order matching procedure, opening and closing procedures and prices, error trading policies, and trading limitations or requirements; and in the case of aU systems, qualifications for access and grounds for termination and limitations on the types of orders that may be entered into the system. Each of these matters may present different risk factors with respect to trading on or using a particular system. Each system may also present risks related to system access, varying response times, and security. In the case of internet-based systems, there may be additional types of risks related to system access, varying response times and security, as well as risks related to service providers and the receipt and monitoring of electronic mail.

### **RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH SYSTEM FAILURE**

Trading through an electronic trading or order routing system exposes you to risks associated with system or component failure. In the event of system or component failure, it is possible that, for a certain time period, you may not be able to enter new orders, execute existing orders, or modify or cancel orders that were previously entered. System or component failure may also result in loss of orders or order priority.

### **SIMULTANEOUS OPEN OUTCRY PIT AND ELECTRONIC TRADING**

Some contracts offered on an electronic trading system may be traded electronically and through open outcry during the same trading hours. You should review the rules and regulations of the exchange offering the system and/or listing the contract to determine how orders that do not designate a particular process will be executed.

### **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

Exchanges offering an electronic trading or order routing system and/or listing the contract may have adopted rules to limit their liability, the liability of FCM's, and software and communication system vendors and the amount of damages you may collect for system failure and delays. These limitations of liability provisions vary among the exchanges. You should consult the rules and regulations of the relevant exchange(s) in order to understand these liability limitations.

\*Each exchange's relevant rules are available upon request from the industry professional with whom you have an account. Some exchange's relevant rules also are available on the exchange's internet home page.

**INTERNET ELECTRONIC TRADING**

This undersigned Customer of OEC, by signature set forth below, in consideration of OEC providing to Customer internet electronic trading access for the purpose of entering orders for Commodity Interest transactions for Customer's Account(s), hereby acknowledges and agrees as follows:

1. Customer will receive a privileged and confidential user I.D. and password from OEC. This user I.D. and password is unique to Customer's Account(s) with OEC and will be used solely by Customer to enter orders for Customer's Account(s). Customer will not disclose, divulge or allow any other person to utilize Customer's user I.D. and password. Customer hereby agrees that all orders entered or instructions given to OEC through the internet are Customer's sole responsibility and that Customer will save, defend, indemnify and hold harmless OEC from and against any and all liability, costs or damages of any kind arising from any unauthorized use of Customer's user I.D. and password.
2. Orders entered by Customer will not be deemed received by OEC until such time as Customer receives notification by confirmation either through working, rejected or filled order blotters from OEC through the internet that Customer's order has been accepted or rejected for placement.
3. Customer will remain solely liable and responsible for any losses resulting in Customer's Account from orders entered through the Internet. OEC's acceptance of a Customer order does not constitute an undertaking, agreement or promise of any kind by OEC to review Customer's account to determine the sufficiency of margin in Customer's account. Customer will remain solely responsible for maintaining sufficient margin in Customer's Account at all times and Customer hereby waives any right to claim that any losses in Customer's Account could have been prevented by OEC's refusal of any order entered by Customer.
4. Customer understands that entering orders through the Internet exposes Customer's orders to risks such as failure of hardware and software or other temporary disruptions. Customer understands that such failure may prevent Customer's orders from being executed according to Customer's instructions or may prevent Customer's orders from being executed in their entirety. Customer hereby assumes such risks and agrees to save, defend, indemnify and hold harmless OEC from and against any and all liability, costs or damages of any kind arising from such failure.

Customer hereby agrees that this addendum in no way modifies the Commodity Customer Agreement executed by Customer, and specifically incorporates the same by reference herein, including, without limitation, the provisions of Section 6 of the Commodity Customer Agreement.

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**ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF STATEMENTS**

In an advisory issued June 10, 1997, (the "Advisory") the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") provided that futures commission merchants such as OEC may deliver customer confirmations, purchase-and-sale and monthly statements (collectively "Customer Statements") solely by Electronic Medium without also delivering corresponding mailed copies of such Customer Statements. To take advantage of the Advisory, OEC must obtain appropriate consent from OEC's Customers.

Accordingly, pursuant to the guidelines set forth in the Advisory, OEC hereby advises you as follows:

- 1. OEC will deliver Customer's Customer Statements by electronic mail;
- 2. This consent will be effective upon receipt by OEC and remain so until further receipt by OEC of written notice from Customer of revocation of this consent;
- 3. There may be additional fees incurred by Customer for receipt of Customer Statements by electronic mail, and by signing below Customer hereby authorizes deduction of such fees directly from Customer's Account(s);
- 4. Customer will receive Customer Statements solely by electronic mail, that is, Customer will not receive duplicate Customer Statements by mail;

Customer hereby agrees that this addendum in no way modifies the Commodity Customer Agreement executed by Customer, and specifically incorporates the same by reference herein, including, without limitation, the provisions of Section 14 of the Commodity Customer Agreement which require Customer to review and object both orally and in writing to any discrepancies in Customer Statements, and Section 15 of the Commodity Customer Agreement which require Customer to notify OEC's compliance department in writing of a change of address or electronic mail address.

If the above terms are acceptable and Customer consents to receiving Customer Statements solely by electronic mail, please sign below where indicated.

All daily and monthly Customer Statements should be sent to the following Email Address \_\_\_\_\_.

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NON-CASH MARGIN DISCLOSURES STATEMENT

THIS STATEMENT IS FURNISHED TO YOU BECAUSE RULE 190.10(C) OF THE COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION REQUIRES IT FOR REASONS OF FAIR NOTICE UNRELATED TO THIS COMPANY'S CURRENT FINANCIAL CONDITION.

1. YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT OF THIS COMPANY'S BANKRUPTCY, PROPERTY, INCLUDING PROPERTIES SPECIFICALLY TRACEABLE TO YOU, WILL BE RETURNED, TRANSFERRED OR DISTRIBUTED TO YOU, OR ON YOUR BEHALF, ONLY TO THE EXTENT OF YOUR PRO RATA SHARE OF ALL PROPERTY AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CUSTOMERS.

2. NOTICE CONCERNING THE TERMS FOR THE RETURN OF SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIABLE PROPERTY WILL BE BY PUBLICATION IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION.

3. THE COMMISSION'S REGULATIONS CONCERNING BANKRUPTCIES OF COMMODITY BROKERS CAN BE FOUND AT 17 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS PART 190.

Non-Cash Margin Disclosure Acknowledgment

The undersigned acknowledges that he or she has received, read, fully understands and agrees with the above Non-Cash Margin Disclosure Statement prior to opening an account with Open E Cry, LLC

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**SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT**

Funds of Customers trading on United States contract markets may be held in accounts denominated in a foreign currency with depositories located outside the United States or its territories if the Customer is domiciled in a foreign country or if the funds are held in connection with contracts priced and settled in a foreign currency. Such accounts are subject to the risk that events could occur which would hinder or prevent the availability of these funds for distribution to customers. Such accounts also may be subject to foreign currency exchange rate risks.

By signing this acknowledgment, the Customer authorizes the deposit of funds into such foreign depositories. For customers domiciled in the United States, this authorization permits the holding of funds in regulated accounts offshore only if such funds are used to margin, guarantee, or secure positions in such contracts or accrue as a result of such positions.

In order to avoid the possible dilution of other customer funds, a customer who has funds held outside the United States must further agree that its claims based on such funds will be subordinated as described below in the unlikely event **both** of the following conditions are met: (1) the Customer's futures commission merchant is placed in receivership or bankruptcy, **and** (2) there are insufficient funds available for distribution denominated in the foreign currency as to which the customer has a claim to satisfy all claims against those funds.

By signing this acknowledgment, the Customer agrees that if both of the conditions listed above occur, the Customer's claim against the futures commission merchant's assets attributable to funds held overseas in a particular foreign currency may be satisfied out of segregated customer funds held in accounts denominated in dollars or other foreign currencies only after each customer whose funds are held in dollars or in such other currencies receives its pro-rata portion of such funds. It is further agreed that in no event may a customer whose funds are held overseas receive more than its pro-rata share of the aggregate pool consisting of funds held in dollars, funds held in the particular foreign currency, and non-segregated assets of the futures commission merchant.

The undersigned acknowledges that he or she has received, read, fully understands and agrees with the above Subordination Agreement prior to opening an account with Open E Cry, LLC.

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## PARTNERSHIP AUTHORIZATION

The undersigned, being all of the General Partners of the Partnership, agree to be jointly and severally liable for all obligations assumed in or arising out of the Commodity Customer Agreement. Further, any one or more of the General Partners shall have full authority to act on behalf of the Partnership as if (s)he alone were interested therein, all without notice to the others interested in said account and all for the account and risk of the Partnership. Such authority shall include, but not be limited:

- (a) To establish, maintain, or continue on margin or otherwise, one or more accounts (the "Account(s)") with Open E Cry, LLC ("OEC");
- (b) to execute a Futures & Options Risk Disclosure Statement, Commodity Customer Agreement and any other acknowledgements or documents (and amendments thereto) related to opening or maintaining an account with OEC;
- (c) to deposit with and withdraw from said firm money, Commodity Interests, checks and other negotiable instruments, securities or other property;
- (d) to give written or verbal instructions to buy, sell and trade in Commodity Interests for present or future delivery, on margin or otherwise, including the power to sell "short";
- (e) to receive and acquiesce in the correctness of notices, confirmations, requests, demands and communications of every kind including demands for margin;
- (f) to settle, compromise, adjust and give releases with respect to any and all claims, demands, disputes and controversies, pending or contingent; and
- (g) to make other agreements and take any other action relating to any of the foregoing matters, including, but not limited to, the authority to grant discretionary trading authorization to other individuals or entities.

Each General Partner hereby appoints each and every other General Partner as his/her agent and confers upon every other General Partner and each of them, the broadest possible power with respect to the above grants of authority; and each General Partner agrees to indemnify and hold OEC harmless against any and all claims that may arise by reason of its following any directions, instructions and orders given to it by any General Partner in respect of this account. All property of any one or more of the General Partners held or carried by OEC shall be held as collateral security and with a general lien thereon for the payment of all debits, losses or expenses incurred in the partnership account and vice versa, however arising. In the event of death or legal incapacity of any of the General Partners, the survivor(s) immediately shall give OEC notice and OEC may, before or after receiving such notice, take such action, require such documents, retain such assets/or restrict transactions as OEC deems advisable, in its sole and absolute discretion, to protect itself. Liability of the General Partners hereunder shall pass to any estate or personal representative of the General Partners. The authority granted herein is in addition to other authority given to OEC by any or all of the General Partners and is continuing and shall remain in full force and effect until OEC receives written notice of revocation or modification.

The undersigned hereby certify that the General Partners and their ownership interest are as follows:

Name _____	Percentage of Ownership Interest _____
Name _____	Percentage of Ownership Interest _____
Name _____	Percentage of Ownership Interest _____

The undersigned, by signing this agreement, hereby confirms that the General Partners named above are authorized under the terms of the Partnership Agreement to enter into the types of transactions set forth above and to bind the Partnership.

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Partner's Signature                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Partner's Signature                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Partner's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Partner's Name

**SUB ACCOUNT DECLARATION-FUTURES ACCOUNTS**

The undersigned wishes to establish an additional trading account with Open E Cry, LLC for the purpose stated below. All of the trading in this account will be initiated by individuals authorized to trade for the account solely for benefit of the account. Under no circumstances, will the trading activity in this account be for beneficial ownership of interest of other parties.

The undersigned is aware of CFTC Regulation 1.46 regarding the closing out of offsetting long and short positions. A customer may not maintain more than one account for the purpose of holding open a long and short position in the same futures or option contract. The trading in this account will not violate the provisions of CFTC Regulation 1.46 and corresponding exchange regulations.

Hedge accounts may be long and short the same contract, provided the positions are bona fide hedge positions and a signed hedge agreement on file.

Accounts of exchange members may be long and short the same position provided the positions are part of an exchange recognized spread reversals, conversions, etc.

Account Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**PURPOSE FOR MAINTAINING SUB ACCOUNT:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Certificate of Foreign Status of Beneficial Owner for United States Tax Withholding

▶ Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code. ▶ See separate instructions.  
 ▶ Give this form to the withholding agent or payer. Do not send to the IRS.

**Do not use this form for:**

- A U.S. citizen or other U.S. person, including a resident alien individual . . . . . W-9
- A person claiming an exemption from U.S. withholding on income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States . . . . . W-8ECI
- A foreign partnership, a foreign simple trust, or a foreign grantor trust (see instructions for exceptions) . . . . . W-8ECI or W-8IMY
- A foreign government, international organization, foreign central bank of issue, foreign tax-exempt organization, foreign private foundation, or government of a U.S. possession that received effectively connected income or that is claiming the applicability of section(s) 115(2), 501(c), 892, 895, or 1443(b) (see instructions) . . . . . W-8ECI or W-8EXP

**Note:** These entities should use Form W-8BEN if they are claiming treaty benefits or are providing the form only to claim they are a foreign person exempt from backup withholding.

- A person acting as an intermediary . . . . . W-8IMY

**Note:** See instructions for additional exceptions.

**Instead, use Form:**

## Part I Identification of Beneficial Owner (See instructions.)

1 Name of individual or organization that is the beneficial owner	2 Country of incorporation or organization
3 Type of beneficial owner: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Disregarded entity <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Simple trust <input type="checkbox"/> Grantor trust <input type="checkbox"/> Complex trust <input type="checkbox"/> Estate <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> International organization <input type="checkbox"/> Central bank of issue <input type="checkbox"/> Tax-exempt organization <input type="checkbox"/> Private foundation	
4 Permanent residence address (street, apt. or suite no., or rural route). <b>Do not use a P.O. box or in-care-of address.</b>	
City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.	Country (do not abbreviate)
5 Mailing address (if different from above)	
City or town, state or province. Include postal code where appropriate.	Country (do not abbreviate)
6 U.S. taxpayer identification number, if required (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> SSN or ITIN <input type="checkbox"/> EIN	7 Foreign tax identifying number, if any (optional)
8 Reference number(s) (see instructions)	

## Part II Claim of Tax Treaty Benefits (if applicable)

9 I certify that (check all that apply):

a  The beneficial owner is a resident of ..... within the meaning of the income tax treaty between the United States and that country.

b  If required, the U.S. taxpayer identification number is stated on line 6 (see instructions).

c  The beneficial owner is not an individual, derives the item (or items) of income for which the treaty benefits are claimed, and, if applicable, meets the requirements of the treaty provision dealing with limitation on benefits (see instructions).

d  The beneficial owner is not an individual, is claiming treaty benefits for dividends received from a foreign corporation or interest from a U.S. trade or business of a foreign corporation, and meets qualified resident status (see instructions).

e  The beneficial owner is related to the person obligated to pay the income within the meaning of section 267(b) or 707(b), and will file Form 8833 if the amount subject to withholding received during a calendar year exceeds, in the aggregate, \$500,000.

10 **Special rates and conditions** (if applicable—see instructions): The beneficial owner is claiming the provisions of Article ..... of the treaty identified on line 9a above to claim a ..... % rate of withholding on (specify type of income):.....  
 Explain the reasons the beneficial owner meets the terms of the treaty article: .....

## Part III Notional Principal Contracts

11  I have provided or will provide a statement that identifies those notional principal contracts from which the income is **not** effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States. I agree to update this statement as required.

## Part IV Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information on this form and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct, and complete. I further certify under penalties of perjury that:

- I am the beneficial owner (or am authorized to sign for the beneficial owner) of all the income to which this form relates,
- The beneficial owner is not a U.S. person,
- The income to which this form relates is not effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States or is effectively connected but is not subject to tax under an income tax treaty, **and**
- For broker transactions or barter exchanges, the beneficial owner is an exempt foreign person as defined in the instructions.

Furthermore, I authorize this form to be provided to any withholding agent that has control, receipt, or custody of the income of which I am the beneficial owner or any withholding agent that can disburse or make payments of the income of which I am the beneficial owner.

**Sign Here** ▶

.....  
 Signature of beneficial owner (or individual authorized to sign for beneficial owner)      Date (MM-DD-YYYY)      Capacity in which acting