

CME Group Announces Managing Director Promotions

CHICAGO, Feb. 24, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- CME Group, the world's leading and most diverse derivatives marketplace, today announced the following promotions, which were effective February 13:

Howard Hopkins, Managing Director, Client Development & Sales — Commercials Corporates

Hopkins leads the global team responsible for client management, relationship building and sales across the company's commercials/corporate client segment. Before joining the company in 2007, Hopkins worked for Merrill Lynch Futures, ABN AMRO and MK brokerage. He also was a NYMEX member. He holds a bachelor's degree in history from Fordham University.

Bob Petrowski, Promoted to Managing Director, Data Centers & Critical Infrastructure

Petrowski is responsible for overseeing CME Group's critical facilities including the data centers, trading floors and other mission critical support spaces. He also manages the company's document processing and security systems administration functions. Prior to joining the company, Petrowski worked for P&S Management Co., Kroeschell Operations Inc. and L.J. Sheridan. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Northern Illinois University and an MBA from Illinois Benedictine University.

Rick Romeo, Promoted to Managing Director, Financial Planning and Analysis

Romeo is responsible for leading CME Group's financial planning and management reporting, with oversight for exchange fee systems and incentive processes. Before joining the company in 2004, he held finance roles at Household International and Ameritech. He holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Rosary College and an MBA degree from Northern Illinois University. He is a Certified Public Accountant.

Sesh Sundaram, Promoted to Managing Director, Software Engineering

Sundaram leads the team responsible for providing a high level of support and service for CME Group's electronic trading systems, including performance optimization, quality testing and environment management. Prior to joining the company, Sundaram worked in a variety of financial services and technology roles in India. He holds a bachelor's degree in engineering from Anna University in India and an MBA degree from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

As the world's leading and most diverse derivatives marketplace, CME Group (www.cmegroup.com) is where the world comes to manage risk. CME Group exchanges offer the widest range of global benchmark products across all major asset classes, including futures and options based on interest rates, equity indexes, foreign exchange, energy, agricultural commodities, metals, weather and real estate. CME Group brings buyers and sellers together through its CME Globex® electronic trading platform and its trading facilities in New York and Chicago. CME Group also operates CME Clearing, one of the largest central counterparty clearing services in the world, which provides clearing and settlement services for exchange-traded contracts, as well as for over-the-counter derivatives transactions through CME ClearPort®. These products and services ensure that businesses everywhere can substantially mitigate counterparty credit risk in both listed and over-the-counter derivatives markets.

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