

## CME Announces Labor Day Holiday Hours

CHICAGO, Aug. 9 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. (CME) today announced the following trading schedule in conjunction with the upcoming Labor Day holiday (all times are Central time):

- Friday, Sept. 3     Commodities futures, foreign exchange (FX), interest rates and the GSCI(R) products will close at 12:00 noon, and commodity options will close at 12:02 p.m. Equity products will have normal trading hours and will close at their regularly scheduled time of 3:15 p.m. Equity index, interest rate and FX products traded on GLOBEX(R) during regular trading hours will close at 3:15 p.m. Commodities, weather, and GSCI traded on GLOBEX will close at 12 p.m. noon. Products closing at their regular times on GLOBEX are equity indexes (3:15 p.m.), CPI (2:00 p.m.) and TRAKRS(SM) (3:00 p.m.)
- Sunday, Sept. 5     GLOBEX has a regular trading session opening at its new opening time of 5 p.m. for the trade date of Tuesday, September 7.
- Monday, Sept. 6     Exchange trading floors closed in observance of Labor Day. GLOBEX trading continues uninterrupted, except for equities which observe a 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. trading break. GLOBEX trading halts for Interest Rate and Foreign Exchange products at 12:00 noon and resumes also at 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 7     Regular trading sessions for Exchange trading floors and GLOBEX.

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