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CME GROUP INC.

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On April 25, 2012, representatives of CME Group Inc. (the "Company") met with representatives of ISS Proxy Advisory Services to discuss the Company's 2012 annual meeting and related proposals. A copy of the materials from such meeting are attached hereto.



Presentation to ISS:

CME Group 2012 Annual Meeting

April 25, 2012

Agenda

- •Enhancements to our Compensation Program
- •Enhancements to our Corporate Governance Practices
- Related Party Transactions

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Enhancements to our Compensation Program

We Have Enhanced Alignment of Pay with Performance

Since our last annual meeting, we have implemented the following improvements to our compensation program:

- <u>Performance shares</u> added to our 2011 annual equity grants
 Tied to our achievement of 2012 cash earnings and annual total shareholder return relative to the S&P 500
- In 2012, we have increased the performance period for such shares from one to three years, linking the awards to <u>long-term performance</u>
- For 2012, we have <u>added a new long-term performance measure</u> tied to three-year growth in our cash earnings on a per share basis
 - Cash earnings is the measure we use to evaluate the overalberformance of the Company and to determine dividend payouts
- For 2012, we have <u>increased from 25% to 50%</u> the amount of the annual equity award delivered in performance shares

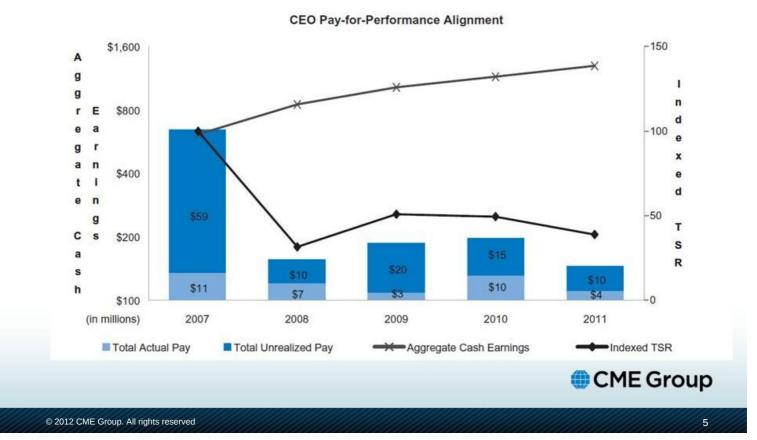
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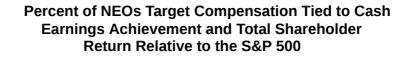


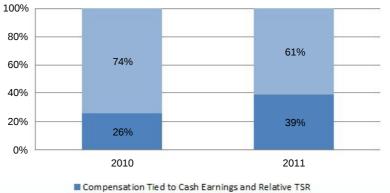
Our CEO's realized and potential compensation has been aligned with our performance, measured by total shareholder return year-over-year on an indexed basis, and we have achieved consistent growth in our cash earnings.

See pages 40 and 41 of the proxy statement for more detail



The following table shows the increase in the portion of compensation tied to cash earnings achievement and total relative shareholder return for our named executive officers. We believe the composition of this performance-based pay will increase to approximately 50% in 2012 based on the increase in the awards from 25% to 50% of the annual grant.





Salary + Stock Options + Restricted Stock



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Our short-term incentive program is <u>performance based</u> and is tied to our achievement of cash earnings:

- 2010 Cash earnings achievement was 110% of target
- 2011 Target increased 11% vs. prior year actual cash earnings
 - Cash earnings achievement was 101% of target
 - Bonuses for all of our named executive officers decreased from 2010

Named Executive Officer	Annual Incentive Plan Target as % of Base Earnings	Annual Incentive Plan Target	Annual Incentive Plan Maximum as % of Base Earnings	Annual Incentive Plan Maximum	2011 Annual Bonus as % of Base Earnings	2010 Annual Bonus	2011 Annual Bonus	Percentage Change
Craig S. Donohue	150%	\$1,500,000	300%	\$3,000,000	156.82%	\$2,295,737	\$1,568,179	(32)%
James E. Parisi	100%	497,116	200%	994,231	104.55%	628,555	519,711	(17)
Terrence A. Duffy	100%	1,000,000	200%	2,000,000	104.55%	1,985,892	1,045,453	(47)
Phupinder S. Gill	100%	800,000	200%	1,600,000	104.55%	1,647,188	836,362	(49)
Bryan T. Durkin	100%	575,000	200%	1,150,000	109.30%	1,431,010	628,475	(56)



Analysis of Pay Relative to Peers

- We believe the ISS peer group should include other financial exchanges such as The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. and NYSE Euronext, who are similarly sized in terms of revenue
 - Revenues better reflect the size of financial exchanges where the objective is to collect clearing and transaction fees which are booked as revenues – not assets
 - Almost 25% of our assets consist of performance bonds and guaranty fund contributions in the form of cash that are held as part of our clearing guarantee; our financial statements include an equal and offsetting liability for the same amount of these assets
 - Approximately 40% of our assets relates to the intangible value of our trading products, recorded as a result of our various mergers

Ticker	Revenues	Assets
CME	\$3.3B	\$40.8B
NDAQ	\$3.4B	\$14.1B
NYX	\$4.6B	\$13.1B

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Enhancements to our Corporate Governance Practices

We Enhanced our Corporate Governance Practices

In response to shareholder concerns, we have instituted the following improvements in our corporate governance:

- Seeking shareholder approval at the 2012 Annual Meeting to declassify our Board and move to annual elections as of the 2014 Annual Meeting
- We did not renew our shareholder rights plan and it expired in accordance with its terms
- We are continuously evaluating ways to reduce the size of our Board while ensuring that we maintain the appropriate expertise, industry knowledge and skills to effectively oversee our complex, highly regulated business and it will be reduced by two as of the 2012 Annual Meeting



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Proxy Access Proposal

CME Group received a shareholder proposal from Norges Bank, the central bank for the Government of Norway, for a binding bylaw amendment providing for proxy access:

- Ownership Threshold: <u>1%</u> or more of our outstanding common stock beneficially owned by a shareholder or group of shareholders
- Holding Period: Continuously for <u>1 year</u> prior to the submission of the nomination with an intention to hold through the meeting date
- Maximum Proportion of Directors Subject to Nomination: 25%



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Proxy Access Proposal

We believe that ISS should recommend <u>AGAINST</u> the proxy access proposal at CME Group for the following reasons:

- A 1% holder at CME Group is the owner of an investment of less than <u>\$200 million</u>
- Proxy access combined with our existing Class B shareholder director election rights would result in <u>40%</u> of our Board being subject to nomination outside of our independent Board Nominating Committee
 - As we move to decrease the size of our Board, this percentage would increase
 - This could result in <u>significant turnover</u> in our Board which other recipients of the proposal are not subjected to
- We are governed by the CFTC which has additional director composition requirements we are required to satisfy that do not apply to other public companies
 - CFTC proposed rules include a mandate that at least 35% of our Board be comprised of "public" directors as defined by the CFTC



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Related Party Transactions

We believe that ISS should recommend <u>FOR</u> the election of Dennis H. Chookaszian:

- In its 2011 advisory report, ISS noted that Dennis Chookaszian serves as a nonindependent member of the Audit Committee

 Classification based on Mr. Chookaszian's son being employed by a consultant CME Group has engaged
- CME Group relationship with the consulting firm <u>pre-dated</u> Mr. Chookaszian's service on our Board and his son's affiliation with the firm
- After an <u>extensive sourcing process</u>, we independently determined such consulting firm had the best understanding of our unique business
- As confirmed by Internal Audit, the fees charged are <u>reasonable</u> and available to other companies
- Disclosure of a related party transaction in accordance with SEC regulations should not be a substitute for assessing independence
- Mr. Chookaszian has extensive experience benefiting the CME Group Board and its Audit Committee

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Conclusion

In summary, we believe that ISS should recommend that its clients:

- Vote <u>FOR</u> the advisory approval of the compensation of our named executive officers
- Vote <u>AGAINST</u> the binding shareholder proposal for proxy access
- Vote FOR the election of Dennis H. Chookaszian

Questions regarding CME Group's annual meeting and the related proposals may be directed to meg.wright@cmegroup.com



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