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Notice to all Members,

Sub: Invitation to Apply for Designated Market Maker Status in the specified DGCX Futures Contracts

In pursuance of DGCX By-laws and the Clearing Rules of the DCCC, the following is hereby notified:

Details of a Designated Market Maker (DMM) Scheme for the DGCX specified Futures contracts, are provided in Annexure 1.

The DMM Scheme will run for an initial period of 6 months from **December 01, 2009** to the close of business on May 31, 2010.

Applicants should complete and submit the provided DMM Application Form by close of business on **November 23, 2009**. The DMM Application Form is provided in Annexure 2.

Members are requested to take note of the above.

For Dubai Gold & Commodities Exchange

Gautam Sashittal
Chief Financial Officer

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Annexure 1: DGCX Futures Contracts Designated Market Maker Scheme Details

1. Introduction

This Designated Market Maker (DMM) Scheme is intended to encourage liquidity in the DGCX Futures contracts, by inviting DMMs to provide competitive two-way prices and volume quotes.

The DMM Scheme is open to all existing Broker and Trade Members and also to all Clients that hold accounts with a Broker Clearing Member.

2. Benefits for DMMs

2.1. Subject to fulfillment of the obligation as per clause 3 below, each DMM will receive:

2.1.1. **A Waiver on Exchange transaction fees** only for DMM transactions in the DGCX Futures Contracts in which they are acting as a DMM. Clearing fee, currently \$0.10 per contract per side & ESCA regulatory fees, currently \$0.02 per contract per side that apply to DGCX contracts shall be passed on by DGCX, and will be incurred by the DMM.

2.1.2. **A monthly stipend** that reflects the DMM's costs of acting in a DMM capacity.

2.2. The names of DMMs and the nature of their commitments may be promoted by the Exchange, and included on the DGCX website. Applicants not wishing their names to appear in such publicity should mention this on their application.

3. DMM Obligations

3.1. Applicants should state in their application, the Futures Contract(s) in which they wish to act as a market maker and the obligations that they would be prepared to meet. Obligations are detailed in the attached Appendix 'A' below, which outlines the benchmarks that the Exchange would expect a DMM to fulfill; however, applicants may include obligations in their applications, which vary from the benchmarks detailed.

3.2. Appendix A sets out the minimum obligations and applications which improve upon

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the obligations set out in the attached Appendix 'A' are encouraged.

4. Application Process

- 4.1 All applicants with appropriate trading rights and clearing arrangements (see 1 – Introduction) are eligible to apply for DMM status. Applicants should submit a **completed DMM Application Form (provided in Annexure 2) by close of business on November 23, 2009.**

Members can apply to become a DMM in their own right. Where the Member is not a Clearing Member, the Member should only apply for DMM status with the agreement of the relevant Broker Clearing Member.

A Non-Member may undertake the market making activities on behalf of a Broker Clearing Member; however, in such cases the performance of the DMM obligations remain the sole responsibility of the Broker Clearing Member and, as such, DMM applications must be submitted to the Exchange through, and with the full understanding, of the respective Broker Clearing Member.

- 4.2 The applicant should state (i) the products in which they wish to participate as a DMM; (ii) the obligations that they are prepared to meet for each contract; (iii) and the stipend payment that they wish to charge for performing the obligations.

Applications should also provide detailed supporting information with their application (which they feel would be relevant) including, but not limited to, the following:

- the number and experience of staff, both in terms of responsible persons and other staff, available to support the market making
- the trading system and support they will be using, and the likely message per second usage
- the level of risk capital available to support the market making commitment
- previous market making experience at either DGCX and/or other derivative exchanges

The Exchange reserves the right to introduce daily message allocation for Price

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Injection Models used by the DMM in fulfilling its obligations.

- 4.3 DMMs will be appointed through a competitive tender process. A Market Maker Review Panel, comprising DGCX executives, will evaluate the applications received for DMM status in the Contracts. The decision(s) taken by the Panel shall be final and shall not be subject to external scrutiny.

The Exchange will appoint, at its absolute discretion, as many DMMs as it deems appropriate with the objective of providing the maximum benefit to the market whilst ensuring the effective operation of the DMM Scheme.

DMM appointments will be made on the basis of the liquidity that applicants propose to provide, the stipend they wish to charge, and the supporting information on their structure (as outlined in 4.2) and experience.

- 4.4 The appointment of a DMM will be subject to a binding contract between the DMM and the Exchange. A completed application form does not constitute such a contract. Members who have made successful applications will receive a formal contract for signature from the Exchange.
- 4.5 The DMM will be required to meet its obligations in full. Should circumstance arise which prevent this, the DMM will have to notify DGCX immediately that it is unable to fulfill its DMM obligations for a period of time, and advise DGCX what is being done to rectify the situation. Failure to meet obligations will result in the stipend payment being adjusted accordingly. Continued DMM failure to fulfill obligations will result in the agreement being terminated by the Exchange and the DMM agreeing to forfeit all remaining stipend payments.
- 4.6 For further information prospective applicants should contact:
Relationship Management at RM@dgcx.ae

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Appendix 'A' - Designated Market Maker Benchmark Obligations

- 1) The DMM will quote two way prices continuously for at least 80% of the Trading Day, at the minimum sizes and maximum spreads required for the DGCX Precious Metals, Crude Oil, & specified Currency Futures contracts, as reflected in the table below.
- 2) In relation to the front delivery month, the DMM is only required to meet their obligations up to, but not including, the 6th business day prior to the start of the tender period.
- 3) In the case of an announcement of significant economic news, and during periods of significant market volatility or technical issues, the DMM would be permitted after prior agreement with DGCX to widen its spread by 3 times the agreed spread.

Futures Contract	Front Month		Second Month	
	Minimum Volume (Lots)	Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)	Minimum Volume (Lots)	Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
GOLD	9	3	9	8
SILVER	5	5	5	8
WTI	2	5	2	7
USD/GBP	10	3	10	4
USD/EUR	10	3	10	4
USD/JPY	5	3	5	4
USD/INR	5	10	5	15

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Annexure 2 – DMM APPLICATION FORM

1. Name of Member:

2. Name of Client (where a Client wishes to be a DMM via a Broker Clearing Member, subject to an application being supported by a copy of an agreement with a Broker Clearing Member):

3. Membership Type:

4. Clearing Member to be used, if not a Clearing Member:

5. Name and designation of main contact person to discuss this application:

The List of Products on which the Applicant seeks to make markets in:

Futures Contract	Front Month		Second Month	
	Minimum Volume (Lots)	Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)	Minimum Volume (Lots)	Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
GOLD				
SILVER				
WTI				
USD/GBP				
USD/EUR				
USD/JPY				
USD/INR				

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6. The period of the Trading Day in which it is proposed to act as a DMM (the minimum obligation is 80% of the DGCX Trading Day):

7. Monthly stipend (USD) required to act as a market maker:

Gold:- Silver:- WTI:- Currencies:- INR:-

8. Market Making Experience in related markets: Yes No

If yes, state the number of years:

Which Exchange/Markets:

9. Trading system used:

Method of trading: Manual Automated
Do you currently have automated software: Yes No

10. Market Making software to be used if any:

11. Counterparty arrangements Yes No

12. Banking Arrangements to meet DMM obligations Yes No

13. Proposed funds to be allocated for Market Making:

\$ _____

14. Name(s) of proposed Market Maker Traders (MMT) responsible for market making:
(Please include their CVs)

15. Date from which the applicant can carry out market making commitments:

16. Company can be promoted as DMM for publicity purposes: Yes No

Please attach any additional information that may be relevant to the application

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The Applicant hereby declares that all the information contained in this application form, and otherwise supplied, is complete, true, accurate and not misleading.

Authorized Signature:

Name:

Designation:

_____ Date: _____

Please return by the close of business on 23 November 2009 to:

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