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The Exchange is pleased to announce the details of an Outright Market Making Program for the ICE ECX EUA and ICE ECX CER Futures Contracts. Subject to regulatory approval the Program will be effective from 1 April 2009 and will run through to 30 September 2009.

In summary, the program is an extension of Tier 2 of the previous Emissions Market Maker Program which expired on 31 March 2009, but with some variations to the bid/offer spread. Full details of the previous Program can be found in Circular 08/084 dated 22 September 2008.

The Market Maker Program will apply from 07:00 hours to 17:00 hours London time.

Market Maker Program - benchmark obligations

The general Market Maker obligations (including bid/offer and volume requirements) are set out below.

The Market Maker must on a daily basis:

(i) ensure that for a minimum quantity of 10 lots on the bid and offer:

		Two-sided market no wider than
Near December contract	EUA	€0.08
	CER	€0.15
Other December contracts to 2012	EUA	€0.20
	CER	€0.25

(ii) make a market on the ICE Platform in these contracts for at least 85% of the time between 07:00 and 17:00 hours London time.

Commercial terms

In return for meeting the Market Making obligations set out above, the Exchange transaction fees will be rebated for all ICE ECX EUA Futures and ICE ECX CER Futures Contracts executed on the screen above a certain threshold by the Market Maker in each month.

The rebates will be paid monthly within 30 days of the end of the respective calendar month. Market Makers will be exempt from any Volume Ratio Charging Structure in relation to trades in ICE ECX EUA Futures and ICE ECX CER Futures Contracts. Clearing fees will not be waived.

Participation

The Exchange requests Members and their customers with an interest in becoming a Market Maker to contact Jason Pegley, t: +44 (0) 20 7065 7743, e: jason.pegley@theice.com. Successful applicants will be required to enter into an agreement with the Exchange in relation to the Market Maker Program.

Market Makers will be selected by the Exchange according to their ability to meet the above obligations, the availability of appropriate IT systems, earlier Market Making experience, and the amount of risk capital that a prospective Market Maker is prepared to commit. Each Market Maker will be required to set up a specific back office account reference so that the Exchange can monitor the commitment of the Market Maker. There will be a maximum of four Market Makers in the Program.

The Exchange reserves the right to suspend or withhold payment of part or all the rebates for failure to meet the agreed commitments.

Please ensure that the appropriate staff within your organisation are advised of the content of this Circular.

Signed:

Patrick Davis

Company Secretary