

Canadian Heavy Crude Oil (Net Energy) Index Futures

Overview:

CME Group is partnering with Net Energy to offer a Canadian Heavy Crude Oil (Net Energy) Index futures contract. Canada is the largest exporter of crude oil to the U.S. market, and is a key strategic partner in the oil sector. The contract, designed for spread trading with the Light Sweet Crude Oil (WTI) futures contract, will provide the marketplace with a new benchmark for hedging Canadian crude oil. Available for trading on Net Energy screens and our New York trading floor, the contract may also be cleared through CME ClearPort, a set of flexible clearing services open to over-the-counter (OTC) market participants to substantially mitigate counterparty risk and provide neutral settlement prices across asset classes. The cornerstone of CME ClearPort — CME Clearing — is backed by \$9 billion in financial safeguards, fostering piece of mind in an ever-fluctuating credit environment.

Contract Specifications

Product Symbol	WCC	
Venue & Hours (NY Time/ET)	CME ClearPort	Sunday – Friday 6:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. (5:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Chicago Time/CT) with a 45-minute break each day beginning at 5:15 p.m. (4:15 p.m. CT)
	Open Outcry (New York)	Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. CT)
Contract Unit	1,000 barrels	
Price Quotation	U.S. dollars and cents per barrel	
Minimum Fluctuation	\$0.001 per barrel	
Index Price	The Index Price for each contract month is equal to the simple arithmetic average of the Net Energy Canadian Daily Index (CDI) for Canadian Heavy Crude Oil during the Index Pricing Period for the contract month. The Index Pricing Period shall extend from the first Canadian business day of the month through the last Canadian business day prior to Notice of Shipments (NOS) date on the Enbridge Pipeline. The Index is expressed as a differential versus the Calendar Month Average (CMA) of the NYMEX Light Sweet Crude Oil futures settlement price.	
Termination of Trading	Trading shall cease one Canadian business day prior to the Notice of Shipments (NOS) date on the Enbridge Pipeline. The NOS date occurs on or about the 20th calendar day of the month, subject to confirmation by Enbridge Pipeline. The official schedule for the NOS dates will be made publicly available by Enbridge Pipeline prior to the start of each year, and will be posted on the CME Group web site as part of the termination schedule.	
Listed Contracts	36 consecutive months	
Settlement Type	Financial	
Rulebook Chapter	263	
Exchange Rule	These contracts are listed with, and subject to, the rules and regulations of NYMEX.	

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Benefits

- · Available virtually around the clock
- Traded electronically on Net Energy screens
- Accessible around the globe

- Flexible, efficient, cost effective risk management tool
- Backed by \$9 billion in financial safeguards

HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLEARING THROUGH CME CLEARPORT:

Getting started to clear through CME ClearPort is easy. When an account has been established with a NYMEX clearing member, you simply complete the online registration form. Once approved, you'll immediately be able to clear OTC metals trades.



HOW TO BEGIN ENTERING TRADES FOR CLEARING THROUGH CME CLEARPORT.

Customers have three options for reporting the trade for clearing through CME ClearPort.

Broker Entry

Once a deal is reached, the broker enters the trade into the CME ClearPort web-based user interface (GUI) or CME ClearPort API.



Facilitation Desk

Once a deal is reached, one of the traders calls the CME ClearPort facilitation desk. The facilitation desk contacts the other trader to confirm. When the desk has confirmation from both parties, it processes the trade.



Third-Party Matching

In this scenario, two traders are matched by a third-party matching/confirmation platform. The matching platform writes the trade directly into the CME ClearPort API.



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Futures trading is not suitable for all investors, and involves the risk of loss. Futures are a leveraged investment, and because only a percentage of a contract's value is required to trade, it is possible to lose more than the amount of money deposited for a futures position. Therefore, traders should only use funds that they can afford to lose without affecting their lifestyles. And only a portion of those funds should be devoted to any one trade because they cannot expect to profit on every trade. All examples in this brochure are hypothetical situations, used for explanation purposes only, and should not be considered investment advice or the results of actual market experience.