



Advisory Notice

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TO: Montréal Exchange Participants

FROM: Market Access Manager

SUBJECT: Activation of Random Opening for Interest Rates Futures and Options on Futures contracts.

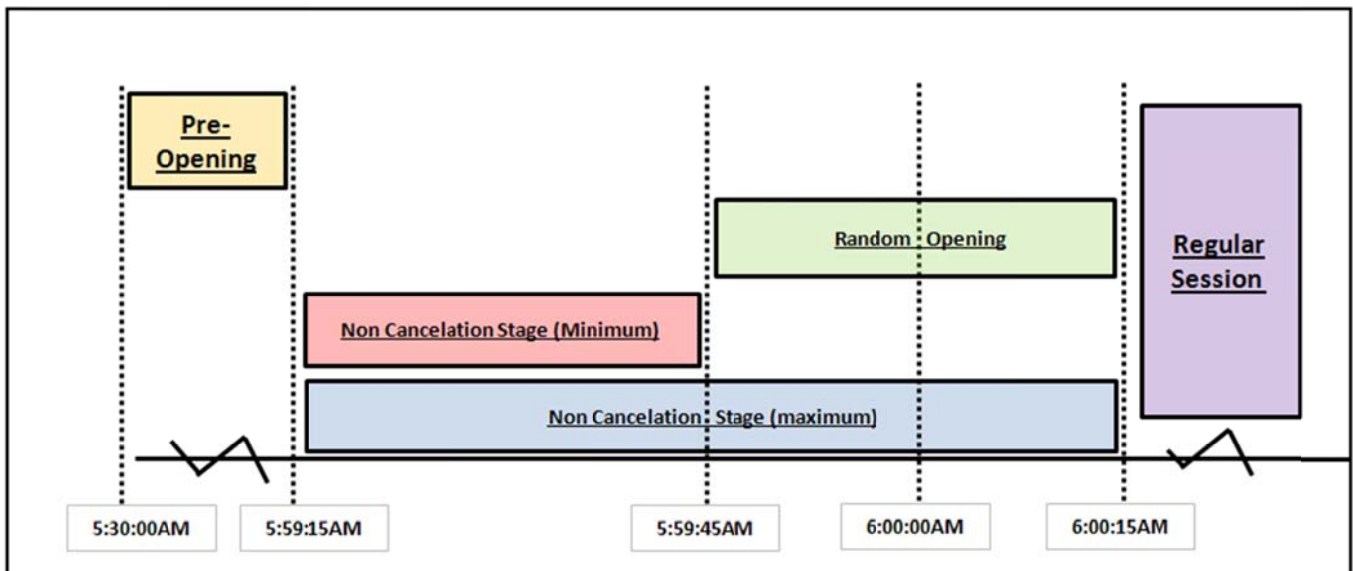
DATE: August 8, 2014

Following the self-certification to the amendments to the rules of Bourse de Montréal Inc. (the Bourse) article 6368 – Trading Stages and to the specifications of interest rates futures contracts and options on futures contracts listed on the Bourse, the Random Opening functionality will be activated on **Friday, September 12, 2014**.

Random Opening is being implemented in an effort to maintain market integrity and align with international standards.

The random opening will have a variable time range which will vary between +/- 15 seconds of the current opening time of the product and the no-cancellation period will be reduced from two minutes to a variable delay of a minimum of 30 seconds (5:59:15 to 5:59:45) up to a maximum of 1 minute (5:59:15 to 6:00:15) for the outright contracts and up to a maximum of 2 minutes for the strategies (5:59:15 to 6:01:15).

Below is an example of the random opening for the three-month Canadian Bankers' Acceptance (BAX), which currently opens at 6:00 a.m. The random opening will occur between 5:59:45 and 6:00:15.



Please refer to the following circulars published by the regulatory division for the detailed analysis, objectives and the modified contracts specifications [108-2013](#), [101-14](#) and [106-14](#).

PRODUCTS IMPACTED

			Start Time of the Trading Phase					
		System Rule	Pre-Opening	No-Cancellation	Opening			Closing
					Predefined	Earliest	Latest	
Money Market Derivatives	Outright	BAX	5:30:00 AM	5:59:15 AM	5:59:45 AM	5:59:45 AM	6:00:15 AM	4:00:00 PM
		OBX/OBW/OBY/OBZ						
		ONX						
		OIS						
Money Market Derivatives	Strategy	BAX	5:30:00 AM	5:59:15 AM	6:00:45 AM	6:00:45 AM	6:01:15 AM	4:00:00 PM
		OBX/OBW/OBY/OBZ						
		ONX						
		OIS						
Bond Market Derivatives	Outright	CGZ	5:30:00 AM	5:59:15 AM	5:59:45 AM	5:59:45 AM	6:00:15 AM	4:00:00 PM
		CGF						
		CGB						
		LGB						
		OGB						
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		CGF						
		CGB						
		LGB						
		OGB						

TECHNICAL IMPACT

Approved Participants, Data Vendors and Independents Software Vendors will not have to make any changes to their technology software as none of our external supported gateway protocols have been modified. Product stages messages such as pre-opening, no-cancellation, opening and their respective sequencing have not been changed.

This is a reminder of the principal group state status within our protocols SAIL and HSVF,

SAIL Protocol	Groupe State	
	P: Pre-opening	
	E: No Cancel Period	
	O: Opening	
	S: Continuous Trading Session	
HSVF	Status Markers	
	Y: Pre-opening phase	
	O: Opening phase	
	T: Opened for Trading	

GENERAL TEST ENVIRONMENT (GTE) AND PREPARATION

As this is only a schedule modification, the Interest rates futures contracts and options on futures contracts opening time has already been changed to reflect the new random opening functionality. Feel free to request that the schedule be changed to allow testing on the new schedule by sending an email to samsupport@m-x.ca.

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We thank you for your cooperation.

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