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# **Trayport Acquisition Agreement Q&A**

#### 1. Why is CME Group acquiring Trayport?

This acquisition is about global energy growth and in the European energy space in particular.

There is increased demand for risk management as the energy industry deregulates in Europe. Trayport is a successful stand-alone business that we believe puts CME Group at the heart of the European energy markets as they continue to evolve. We are looking to invest and grow what we believe is already a valuable part of the energy sector network.

New customers: Trayport gives CME Group stronger relationships with a desirable set of commercial customers. Their front-end is one of the leading screens in the energy sector and allows CME Group to provide useful connectivity for brokers, traders, exchanges and CCPs in Europe. Provision of software services to the increasingly integrated global energy business is a strong business opportunity.

Market structure evolution: Trayport has helped its clients to navigate the changing regulatory environment in Europe. And, as CME Group is accustomed to working in highly regulated marketplaces, this helps us meet customer needs even more broadly.

Past success: We are an experienced market operator that has a track record of developing technology solutions for third parties. We already work with Trayport today. By linking Trayport s existing

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network to CME ClearPort, CME Group has been able to attract significant volume in OTC-cleared coal. We are hoping to promote similar efficiencies and customer benefits for other energy product offerings as we expand our reach in the European energy marketplace.

New trading opportunities: Our investment will help expand access to CME Group-listed products and geographies for Trayport clients. Trayport succeeds because it has a number of different IDBs, clearing houses and exchanges connected to it. That will continue, and we think we can make the customer experience even better with further investment.

### 2. What will this acquisition mean for **brokers** using Trayport?

Broker connectivity and pricing is not expected to change.

CME Group has a long history of working closely with the broker community, and our acquisition of Trayport will enhance the Trayport experience overall.

Trayport will continue to offer clearing and execution through the exchanges and clearinghouses connected to the Trayport network.

Brokers will be able to benefit from CME Group s resources to expand Trayport s capabilities further for the brokered products.

# 3. What will this acquisition mean for <u>exchanges</u> using Trayport, either as a backend or as a distribution channel to traders?

As energy markets continue to change, CME Group recognizes the value of Trayport in providing both technology and distribution to European and Asian exchanges.

Providing neutral access to multiple product offerings, geographies and relevant exchange capabilities is vital to maintaining the support of the energy trading community.

### 4. What will this acquisition mean for *clearing houses* connected to Trayport software?

CME Group intends on maintaining and supporting multiple clearinghouses as part of Trayport s trading community. We value Trayport s role as a neutral connectivity provider to exchanges and clearinghouses in Europe and in Asia.

## 5. Will GFI Group continue to be a broker on the Trayport network?

The new brokerage led by former GFI Group management will continue to be connected to Trayport s network.

## 6. Which new products/trading opportunities will CME Group distribute through Trayport?

CME Group intends to offer new European energy contracts, cleared on CME Group CE and listed on CME Group Europe in order to be responsive to the needs of our European customers. As an example, in response to customer demand, we are planning to launch European natural gas futures in Q3 2014. That launch would be supported by both the CME Group and Trayport trading infrastructures and client ecosystems.

### 7. How does CME Group plan to grow the Trayport platform going forward?

Trayport s energy focused trading applications, client distribution and integrated exchange and clearing house connections, creates a compelling offering for the energy trading community in Europe and Asia.

As emerging markets de-regulate in power (both in Europe and beyond) and global natural gas develops, new trading opportunities will arise and CME Group will invest and grow the thriving trading ecosystem that Trayport has promoted.

In addition, Trayport s customers are increasingly moving to a hosted SaaS model, allowing customers to add new users quickly and to take advantage of new features and services (hosted clearing links, access to oil markets, STP into risk systems, trade reporting) with minimal upfront effort. By reducing the friction of adoption, users will have expanded usage of the platform beyond trade entry, creating additional potential for growth.

Trayport is a successful stand-alone business that we believe puts CME Group at the heart of the European energy markets as they continue to evolve.

# 8. CME Group has its own trading software called CME Direct. Will Trayport and CME Direct duplicate each other?

No. CME Direct is principally a free front-end used to access CME Group futures and options exclusively - whether they are traded electronically or off exchange through brokers.

In contrast, Trayport operates as a front end to multiple energy OTC & exchange marketplaces with connectivity to multiple clearinghouses.

### 9. Who will manage Trayport? What will the governance be?

Trayport will continue to be managed independently, as they are today. (i.e. Trayport maintains a board of directors comprised of members of GFI Group and Trayport senior management. The GFI Group positions will be replaced with members of CME Group senior management to be determined post-closing.)

### 10. Will Trayport be integrated into CME Group?

It is envisioned that it will operate as it does today as a standalone business.

# 11. How does the acquisition of Trayport increase operational efficiencies for European energy market participants?

The acquisition will offer Trayport customers the benefit of streamlined access to CME Group exchanges and products, along with our pre- and post-trade services, including connectivity to Globex.

### 12. What can Trayport clients expect as a result of this acquisition?

Trayport clients should expect continuation of market leading customer service and support, with the addition of new growth opportunities going forward:

The existing management team will continue to run the day-to-day management of the business, and the client facing sales teams and customer support staff will remain with the company.

There is no anticipated change to the existing commercial agreements.

Existing product roadmap will remain intact.

Do not anticipate technology infrastructure changes from the client perspective.

Trayport to maintain its position as an agnostic Independent Software Vendor (ISV) providing full service for customer needs.

### 13. Who do I contact for more product information?

For questions about Trayport s business or for existing clients, please contact your regular account manager at Trayport.

For questions about this transaction or CME Group s energy business, please contact the CME Group energy team in London:

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The proposed acquisition of GFI by CME will be submitted to the stockholders of GFI for their consideration. In connection therewith, CME will file a registration statement on Form S-4 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) that will include a proxy statement of GFI that also constitutes a prospectus of CME. CME and GFI also plan to file other documents with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ SUCH PROSPECTUS/PROXY STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER SUCH DOCUMENTS, WHEN AVAILABLE, WHICH WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of the prospectus/proxy statement, as well as other filings containing information about the Parties without charge, at the SEC s website (<a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>) once such documents are filed with the SEC. Copies of the prospectus/proxy statement can also

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