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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CRONIN KATHLEEN M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE HOLDINGS INC [CME]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last) 20 S. WACI	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D) 09/15/20	•				X Officer (give title Other (specify below) MD General Counsel & Corp Secr		
CHICAGO,	(Street)			ndment, Date Original th/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City) (State) (7in)			7 2.1.1					Person quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Dee Execution		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi	ties A ispose 4 and (A) or	cquired d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	•
Common Stock Class A	09/15/2006			M	450	A	\$ 63.01	2,279	D	
Common Stock Class	09/15/2006			S	450 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 475	1,829	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Exercise any ice of (Mont erivative		4. 5. Number Transactionof Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 63.01	09/15/2006		M	450	06/06/2006(2)	06/06/2013	Common Stock Class A	45

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

10% Owner Officer Other Director

CRONIN KATHLEEN M 20 S. WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606

MD General Counsel & Corp Secr

Signatures

By: Margaret C. Austin For: Kathleen M

Cronin

09/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) This sale was completed pursuant to the terms of a pre-arranged trading plan established in accordance with Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) On June 6, 2006, this option vested with respect to 60% of the granted number of shares covered by the option. On the anniversary of (2) that date in each of the two subsequent years, the option will vest with respect to an additional 20% of the shares covered by the option, subject to acceleration or termination in certain circumstances.

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