# THE MACQUARIE MQCP174 INDEX

### INTRODUCTION

The MQCP174 index (hereinafter, the *Index*) is designed to provide investment exposure to a basket of commodity futures. The Index is designed to be readily accessible to market participants and is calculated daily in both an Excess Return and a Total Return format.

The Index Sponsor will calculate the level of the Index, in accordance with the methodology for the Bloomberg Commodity ex-Agriculture and Livestock Capped Index as outlined by the Bloomberg Commodity Index Handbook

(http://www.bloombergindexes.com/content/uploads/sites/3/2014/06/Commodity-Index-Methodology1.pdf), except as amended by the modifications specified below.

## INDEX SPECIFICATION

Index Name: The MQCP174 Index

Index Sponsor: Macquarie Bank Limited

**Index Ticker:** Excess Return – MQCP174E Index (Bloomberg); Total Return – MQCP174T Index (Bloomberg)

**Initial Index Level:** 100.

Index Start Date: 3-Jan-2000.

#### MODIFICATIONS

**Contract Months:** The Table below is substituted for Table 9 (Contract Months Included in WAV Calculations) in Section 2.8. (Ongoing Calculation of WAV1 and WAV2) of the <u>Bloomberg</u> <u>Commodity Index Handbook</u>.

i	Commodity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

1	Natural Gas	G	К	К	К	N	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	F+	F+
2	WT Crude Oil	Η	Н	К	К	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
3	RBOB Gasoline	G	К	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	F+	F+
4	Heating Oil	G	К	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	F+	F+
5	Live Cattle	G	J	J	Μ	Μ	Q	Q	V	V	Z	Z	G+
6	Lean Hogs	G	J	J	Μ	Μ	Ν	Q	V	V	Z	Z	G+
7	Wheat (Chicago)	Н	Н	К	к	N	N	U	U	Z	z	Z	H+
8	Wheat (KC HRW)	Н	Н	К	к	N	N	U	U	Z	Z	Z	H+
9	Corn	Η	Н	К	К	Ν	Ν	U	U	Ζ	Z	Z	H+
10	Soybeans	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	Х	Х	Х	Х	F+	F+
11	Soybean Oil	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	Z	Z	Z	Z	F+	F+
12	Soybean Meal	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	Z	Z	Ζ	Z	F+	F+
13	Aluminum	Η	Η	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
14	COMEX Copper	Η	Н	К	к	N	N	U	U	Z	z	Z	H+
15	Zinc	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
16	Nickel	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
17	Lead	Η	Н	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
18	Tin	Η	Η	К	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Х	Х	F+	F+
19	Sugar	Η	Η	К	K	Ν	Ν	V	V	V	H+	H+	H+
20	Cotton	Η	Η	K	K	Ν	Ν	Z	Ζ	Z	Z	Z	H+
21	Coffee	Η	Η	K	K	Ν	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	Z	H+
22	Сосоа	Η	Η	K	К	Ν	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	Z	H+

\* The letters, F, G, H, J, K, M, N, Q, U, V, X, and Z stand for the months of Jan, Feb, ..., Dec respectively with the sign "+" signalling the contract on the following year.

**Weighting:** The Commodity Index Multipliers ("CIMs") are same as the ones determined on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) business day of the month of January every year according to the <u>Bloomberg</u> <u>Commodity Index Handbook</u> with the exception of the CIMs for Crude (Brent), Gold, Silver and Platinum which are all set equal to 0 (zero).

**Commodities available for inclusion:** The commodities available for inclusion in the MQCP174 index will be the same as the Commodities available for inclusion in the Bloomberg Commodity ex-Agriculture and Livestock Capped index table of the <u>Bloomberg Commodity</u> <u>Index Handbook</u> with the exception of Brent Crude Oil, Gold and Silver

**Calculation of the Bloomberg ex-AG & Livestock Capped Indexes:** All references to 30% in Step 2 of Appendix 0 will be changed to 34%. All references to 20% in Step 3 of Appendix 0 will be changed to 19%

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