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**REVISIONS TO THE LOOSE-LEAF RULEBOOK
OF THE LONDON METAL EXCHANGE**

Release No 102

Enclosed are replacement pages of the LME Rulebook affected by recent revisions.

Updates comprise:-

Part 6 – Replace pages 6-11 and 6-12

Details of the substantive changes are below:

18/322	AMENDMENTS TO PART 6 OF THE RULEBOOK – SPECIAL CONTRACT RULE FOR COPPER-GRADE A
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SPECIAL CONTRACT RULES FOR COPPER - GRADE A

1. QUALITY

The copper delivered under this contract must be:

- (a) Refined electrolytic copper conforming to the chemical composition of one of the following Standards:
 - (i) BS EN 1978:1998 (cathode grade designation Cu-CATH-1).
 - (ii) GB/T 467-2010 (high purity Copper Cathode (Cu-CATH-1)).
 - (iii) ASTM B115-10 (cathode Grade 1).
- (b) In the shape of full plate cathodes;
- (c) Of brands listed in the LME approved list.

2. SIZE OF LOT

25 tonnes (2% either more or less).

3. WARRANTS

3.1 Warrants must be for 25 tonnes (2% either more or less).

3.2 The copper in each Warrant shall consist of one brand which is listed as being good delivery and must be in bundles not exceeding 4.0 tonnes securely strapped for safe handling and transport without bundle distortion and breakage.

3.3 Each Warrant must state:

- (a) the name of the brand;
- (b) the country of origin;
- (c) the shape;
- (d) the weight;
- (e) the number of bundles making up each lot.

3.4 Each Warrant must bear an LMEsword generated barcode.

4. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COPPER WARRANTS

4.1 The LME listed brand name must be indelibly marked on clips attached to the producer's bundle strapping or marked continuously on the strapping.

4.2 No opening of producer bundles with producer markings is permitted by a Warehouse upon receipt except as follows:

- (a) Where packaging is damaged such that it may cause a hazard in subsequent handling and storage in which case the Warehouse must repack and label if necessary in accordance with (b) and (c) below;

- (b) Where to create a Warrant lot it is necessary to break one or more bundles provided that with such adjustment at least 80% of the bundles in the Warrant have the original producer's clips or straps showing the brand name. The remaining bundles in the Warrant must have a durable label provided by the Warehouse attached to the top cathode in a bundle showing the brand name;
- (c) Straps replaced by a Warehouse must be of corrosion resistant materials and in compliance with LME strap standards.

5. **MAJOR CURRENCY**

US dollars.

6. **TESTING OF WARRANTED METAL**

If the Chief Executive, or those empowered by him for this purpose, believe that the conditions at (a) and (b) below are satisfied, he or they may instruct an LME Listed Sampler and Assayer (LSA) to undertake such tests as are necessary to form a reasonable opinion on whether or not metal on Warrant conforms with these rules. Where the Chief Executive, or those empowered by him for this purpose, reasonably believes that the situation requires it, those tests may be conducted without the prior consent of the Warrant holder. The LME will bear the costs of such tests.

The conditions referred to above are that:

- (a) There are reasonable grounds to suspect that copper on Warrant does not comply with these rules;
- (b) There is a risk of disruption to the LME's market.