

To: All Members and other interested parties

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Subject: **UPDATES TO LME GROUP FEES AND CHARGES 2024**

Summary

1. This Notice sets out updates to the fees and charges for LME and LME Clear (together the “LME Group”).

Defined Terms

2. Capitalised terms not otherwise defined in this Notice shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the LME Rulebook.

Transaction fees: EV metals

3. The LME’s declared strategy and focus on sustainability aims to provide the metals industry with the option of gaining greater transparency of and access to sustainably produced metal, as well as to metal that itself plays a significant role in global decarbonisation and the circular economy – such as electric vehicle (EV) metals, battery materials and scrap metals.
4. In support of this strategy and to further enhance the growth of contracts related to the energy transition, the LME is announcing a 100% fee discount for three contracts, as follows:
 - (a) LME Cobalt, contract code “CO”
 - (b) LME Lithium Hydroxide CIF (Fastmarkets MB), contract code “LH”
 - (c) LME Cobalt (Fastmarkets MB), contract code “CB”
5. The fee discount will commence on 1 May 2024 and end on 31 December 2027. The continuation of the fee discount will be reviewed in January 2025; if continued, reviews from that point onwards will take place on an annual basis.
6. The LME reserves the right to suspend or terminate the fee discount at any point with immediate effect, should it deem necessary. Any revocation of the fee



discount before 31 December 2027 will be communicated to the market via a Notice.

Market data: Derived Data

7. The LME has launched a new licensing framework for Derived Data, reflecting the first major Derived Data framework update since its initial launch in 2016.
8. The new framework introduces six categories for Derived Data creation and distribution:
 - (a) Exchange Traded Products;
 - (b) Certificates and Warrants;
 - (c) Leveraged Products;
 - (d) Reference Values; and
 - (e) Vendors of Research and Analytics.
9. The new framework supports the LME's objective of ensuring all market data policies are aligned to industry best practice.
10. The introduction of new derived data categories will support the increased demand from clients to expand the scope of third party products and distribution which can be licensed. The LME conducted extensive market research and benchmarking to ensure the new terms remain fair and is commensurate with the value LME data provides to the market.
11. Further information on Derived Data can be found at <https://www.lme.com/en/Market-data/Market-data-licensing/Derived-data>
12. The new licensing framework for Derived Data, including the associated fees became effective from 1 April 2024.

Lead brand listing fees

13. Notice 24/132 describes a brand listing fee reduction for small scale secondary lead producers.
14. This discount became effective on 1 April 2024 and will expire on 31 December 2025.
15. As with all fees, the LME Group reserves the right to review and adjust its fees from time to time.

MiFID II requirements

16. Sections 7-9 of the Schedule of the LME Group fees and charges explain how the LME's fees comply with the requirements of the relevant UK law corresponding to MiFID II.



Further information

17. Any questions regarding the LME Group's transaction fees, annual membership fees and other fees should be addressed to the Relationship Management team (rm@lme.com).
18. Any questions regarding the LME's market data licensing and applicable fees should be addressed to the Market Data team (LMEMarket.Data@lme.com).

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