CRONIN KATHLEEN M

Form 4

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1(b).

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12/06/2005

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CRONIN KATHLEEN M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE HOLDINGS INC [CME]				6	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2005				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) MD, Gen. Counsel & Corp. Sec.			
CHICAGO	(Street)		4. If Amo	endment, Danth/Day/Year	_	al		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O _ Form filed by M Person	•	rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu		ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 8)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficia		Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock Class A	12/06/2005			M	Amount 1,760	(D)	Price \$ 63.01	3,512	D	
Common Stock Class A	12/06/2005			M	800	A	\$ 74.68	4,312	D	
Common Stock Class A	12/06/2005			M	640	A	\$ 127	4,952	D	

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3,200 D

1,752

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Common	\$
Stock	366.09
Class A	

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 63.01	12/06/2005		M	1,760	06/06/2005(1)	06/06/2013	Common Stock Class A	1,760
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 74.68	12/06/2005		M	800	08/06/2005(2)	08/06/2013	Common Stock Class A	800
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 127	12/06/2005		M	640	06/14/2005(3)	06/14/2014	Common Stock Class A	640

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CRONIN KATHLEEN M						
20 S. WACKER DRIVE			MD, Gen. Counsel & Corp. Sec.			
CHICAGO, IL 60606						

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Signatures

Margaret C. Austin, Attorney in Fact 12/06/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- On August 6, 2005, this option vested with respect to 40% of the granted number of shares covered by the option. An additional 20% of (2) the shares subject to the option will become exercisable on each of three subsequent anniversaries of that date, subject to acceleration or termination in certain circumstances.
- On June 14, 2005, this option vested with respect to 20% of the granted number of shares covered by the option. An additional 20% of the shares subject to the option will become exercisable on each of four subsequent anniversaries of that date, subject to acceleration or termination in certain circumstances.
- On June 6, 2005, this option vested with respect to 40% of the granted number of shares covered by the option. An additional 20% of the (1) shares subject to the option will become exercisable on each of three subsequent anniversaries of that date, subject to acceleration or termination in certain circumstances.

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