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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-4

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# **CME GROUP INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware** (State of Incorporation)

6200

36-4459170 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) **20 South Wacker Drive** 

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(Address, including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

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# Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public: As soon as practicable after this registration statement is declared effective.

If the securities being registered on this form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, please check the following box. o

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ý	Accelerated filer o	Non-accelerated filer o	Smaller reporting
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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered(1)	Amount to be registered(2)	Proposed maximum offering price per unit	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(3)	Amount of registration fee(4)
Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	N/A	N/A	\$430,809,098.39	\$50,060.02

- This Registration Statement relates to securities of CME Group Inc. ("CME") Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("CME Class A Common Stock"), issuable to holders of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("GFI Common Stock"), of GFI Group Inc., a Delaware corporation ("GFI"), in the proposed merger of Commodore Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME (the "GFI Merger"), which will then merge with and into Commodore Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME.
- Pursuant to Rule 457(o), the registration fee has been calculated on the basis of the maximum offering price, and the number of shares being registered has been omitted.
- Pursuant to Rule 457(f)(1) under the Securities Act, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price of CME Class A Common Stock was calculated based upon the market value of shares of GFI Common Stock (the securities to be cancelled in the GFI Merger) in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act as follows: (a) \$5.27, the average of the high and low prices per share of GFI Common Stock on October 9, 2014, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange, multiplied by (b) 81,747,457, the aggregate number of shares of GFI Common Stock outstanding (other than shares owned by GFI, CME, any of their respective subsidiaries, or Jersey Partners, Inc.) and the number of GFI restricted stock units vested or assumed by CME, in each case pursuant to the terms of the agreement providing for the GFI Merger.
- (4) Computed pursuant to Rules 457(f)(1) and 457(c) of the Securities Act, based on a rate of \$116.20 per \$1,000,000 of the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with section 8(a) of the Securities Act or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said section 8(a), may determine.

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The information in this proxy statement/prospectus is not complete and may be changed. CME Group Inc. may not sell the securities offered by this proxy statement/prospectus until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This proxy statement/prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and CME Group Inc. is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

PRELIMINARY SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED OCTOBER 16, 2014

# GFI GROUP INC.

#### MERGER PROPOSED YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT

[ ], 2014

#### Dear Stockholders:

We cordially invite you to attend a special meeting of stockholders of GFI Group Inc., a Delaware corporation ("GFI," "we," "our" or "us," and our stockholders, "GFI Stockholders"), to be held on [ ], 2014, at [ ] Eastern Standard Time, at [ ] (the "Special Meeting").

At the Special Meeting, holders of our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("GFI Common Stock"), will be asked to consider and vote upon a proposal to approve an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 30, 2014, by and among GFI, CME Group Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CME"), Commodore Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, and Commodore Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME ("Merger Sub 2") (as it may be amended from time to time, the "GFI Merger Agreement"), providing for a merger in which GFI will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME (the "GFI Merger"). At the Special Meeting, you will be asked to consider and vote upon a proposal to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement (the "GFI Merger Proposal").

If the GFI Merger contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement is completed, you will be entitled to receive for each share of GFI Common Stock a fraction of a share of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of CME ("CME Class A Common Stock"), equal to the exchange ratio set forth in the GFI Merger Agreement (the "Exchange Ratio"). The Exchange Ratio is a fraction, the numerator of which equals \$4.55 and the denominator of which equals the average closing sales price of CME Class A Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market ("NASDAQ") for the ten trading days ending upon and including the trading day immediately before the closing date of the GFI Merger. The shares of CME Class A Common Stock are traded on NASDAQ under the trading symbol "CME" and we encourage you to obtain quotes for CME Class A Common Stock, given that the merger consideration of GFI Common Stock is payable in shares of CME Class A Common Stock equal to the Exchange Ratio.

In connection with the GFI Merger, our board of directors (the "GFI Board") formed a special committee of independent directors (the "Special Committee") to consider and negotiate the terms and conditions of the GFI Merger and to make a recommendation to the GFI Board. The GFI Board (other than Messrs. Gooch and Heffron, both of whom recused themselves, which resulted in the remaining members of the GFI Board being comprised solely of the members of the Special Committee), after receiving the unanimous recommendation of the Special Committee, has unanimously (i) determined that the GFI Merger Agreement and the GFI Merger are advisable, fair to, and in the best interests of GFI and its stockholders, (ii) approved, adopted and declared advisable the GFI Merger Agreement and the GFI Merger and (iii) resolved to recommend the adoption of the GFI Merger Agreement and the approval of the GFI Merger to GFI Stockholders at the Special Meeting. The GFI Board (other than Messrs. Gooch and Heffron, both of whom recused themselves, which resulted in the remaining members of the GFI Board being comprised solely of the members of the Special Committee), acting upon the unanimous determination of the Special Committee, unanimously recommends that GFI Stockholders vote "FOR" the GFI Merger Proposal.

In considering the recommendation of the Special Committee and the GFI Board, you should be aware that Mr. Gooch, the executive chairman of the GFI Board, and Mr. Heffron, a member of the

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GFI Board and our chief executive officer, have certain interests in the GFI Merger and the related transactions that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of GFI Stockholders generally. Jersey Partners Inc., a New York corporation controlled by Mr. Gooch ("JPI"), is a party to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 30, 2014, by and among CME, Cheetah Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, Cheetah Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, New JPI Inc., a Delaware corporation formed by certain stockholders of JPI ("New JPI"), and stockholders of JPI and New JPI (including Messrs. Gooch and Heffron) (the "JPI Merger Agreement" and the transactions related thereto, the "JPI Merger"), pursuant to which New JPI, the resultant beneficial owner of all GFI Common Stock held by JPI after giving effect to a reorganization, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME in exchange for shares of CME Class A Common Stock equal to the merger consideration that otherwise would be payable in the GFI Merger for the shares of GFI Common Stock owned by New JPI. In connection with the transactions contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement and the JPI Merger Agreement, Merger Sub 2, GFI Brokers Holdco Ltd., a Bermuda limited company ("IDB Buyer"), JPI (solely for purposes of Article IX therein), New JPI (solely for purposes of Article IX therein) and CME (solely for purposes of Article IX therein) entered into a purchase agreement (the "IDB Purchase Agreement" and the transactions related thereto, the "IDB Transaction"), pursuant to which IDB Buyer, a private consortium of GFI management, led by Mr. Gooch and certain other members of GFI management (including Mr. Heffron), will purchase from Merger Sub 2, and Merger Sub 2 will sell, transfer and assign to IDB Buyer, all of Merger Sub 2's right, title and interest in and to all of the issued and outstanding securities of the subsidiaries of GFI that, after giving effect to an internal reorganization contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement, will own and operate GFI's interdealer brokerage business. The closing of the GFI Merger is subject to, and dependent upon, the closing of the JPI Merger and the IDB Transaction. In connection with the execution and delivery of the GFI Merger Agreement, JPI, New JPI and Messrs. Gooch, Heffron and Brown, a member of GFI management (the "GFI Supporting Stockholders"), as beneficial owners of GFI Common Stock, also entered into a support agreement, dated as of July 30, 2014, with CME (the "GFI Support Agreement"). The shares of GFI Common Stock subject to the GFI Support Agreement constituted approximately 37.8% of the total issued and outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock as of September 30, 2014. Under the GFI Support Agreement, the GFI Supporting Stockholders agreed to vote or cause to be voted their shares in favor of adoption of the GFI Merger Agreement and the related transactions.

In considering the unanimous recommendation of the Special Committee and the GFI Board you should be aware that the other directors and executive officers of GFI have certain other interests in the GFI Merger that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of our stockholders generally. The accompanying proxy statement/prospectus includes additional information regarding these additional interests.

In addition, at the Special Meeting you also will be asked to approve, by non-binding, advisory vote, certain compensation arrangements for GFI's named executive officers in connection with the GFI Merger and the related transactions contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement (the "'Golden Parachute' Compensation Proposal") and to approve adjournments of the Special Meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are insufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement (the "Adjournment Proposal"). Such compensation arrangements will be assumed by IDB Buyer in connection with the IDB Transaction and accordingly any amounts owed under such compensation arrangements will be payable by, and be liabilities of, IDB Buyer following the closing of the GFI Merger.

The enclosed proxy statement/prospectus describes the GFI Merger Agreement, the GFI Merger and related transactions and provides specific information concerning the Special Meeting. In addition, you may obtain information about us from documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

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We urge you to, and you should, read the entire proxy statement/prospectus carefully, including the annexes, as it sets forth the details of the GFI Merger Agreement and other important information related to the GFI Merger.

Your vote is very important, regardless of the number of shares you own. The GFI Merger cannot be completed unless (i) the holders of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of the shares of GFI Common Stock cast at the Special Meeting vote to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement (provided that such affirmative vote represents at least a majority of the outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock) and (ii) the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock (excluding shares owned by (a) the GFI Supporting Stockholders, (b) the other stockholders of JPI and New JPI, (c) the officers and directors of GFI or (d) any other person having any equity rights in, or any right to acquire any equity rights in (x) JPI, New JPI or any of their respective affiliates (other than GFI) or subsidiaries or (y) IDB Buyer or any of its affiliates (other than GFI) or subsidiaries) vote to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement. A failure to vote or an abstention will have the same effect as a vote "AGAINST" the GFI Merger Proposal.

Even if you plan to attend the Special Meeting in person, GFI requests that you complete, sign, date and return, as promptly as possible, the enclosed proxy card in the accompanying prepaid reply envelope or submit your proxy by telephone or the Internet prior to the Special Meeting to ensure that your shares of GFI Common Stock will be represented at the Special Meeting if you are unable to attend. If you hold your shares in "street name" through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, you should follow the procedures provided by your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee to vote your shares.

YOUR PROXY IS BEING SOLICITED BY THE GFI BOARD. AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION AND UPON THE UNANIMOUS RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE, THE GFI BOARD (OTHER THAN MESSRS. GOOCH AND HEFFRON WHO RECUSED THEMSELVES, WHICH RESULTED IN THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE GFI BOARD BEING COMPRISED SOLELY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE) HAS UNANIMOUSLY (I) DETERMINED THAT THE GFI MERGER AGREEMENT AND THE GFI MERGER ARE ADVISABLE, FAIR TO AND IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF GFI AND ITS STOCKHOLDERS, (II) APPROVED, ADOPTED AND DECLARED ADVISABLE THE GFI MERGER AGREEMENT AND THE GFI MERGER AND (III) RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND THE ADOPTION OF THE GFI MERGER AGREEMENT AND THE APPROVAL OF THE GFI MERGER BY GFI STOCKHOLDERS. THE GFI BOARD (OTHER THAN MESSRS. GOOCH AND HEFFRON WHO RECUSED THEMSELVES, WHICH RESULTED IN THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE GFI BOARD BEING COMPRISED SOLELY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE), ACTING UPON THE UNANIMOUS RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE, UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU VOTE "FOR" THE GFI MERGER PROPOSAL, "FOR" THE "GOLDEN PARACHUTE" COMPENSATION PROPOSAL AND "FOR" THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL. THE GFI BOARD MADE ITS DETERMINATION AFTER CONSULTATION WITH ITS LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ADVISORS AND AFTER CONSIDERING A NUMBER OF FACTORS.

In particular, we urge you to read carefully the section entitled "*Risk Factors*" beginning on page [ ] of the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus. If you have any questions regarding the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus, you may call MacKenzie Partners, Inc., GFI's proxy solicitor, by calling toll-free at (800) 322-2885.

We urge you to read carefully and in its entirety the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus, including the annexes and the documents incorporated by reference.

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On behalf of the GFI Board, thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Sincerely,

#### Christopher D'Antuono

General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

NEITHER THE SEC NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THE GFI MERGER OR OTHER TRANSACTIONS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS OR THE SECURITIES TO BE ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE GFI MERGER UNDER THE ATTACHED PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS NOR HAVE THEY DETERMINED IF THE ATTACHED PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS IS ACCURATE OR ADEQUATE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The accompanying proxy statement/prospectus is dated [ ], 2014.

], 2014 and is first being mailed to GFI Stockholders on or about

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# GFI GROUP INC.

#### 55 Water Street New York, NY 10041 NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

#### Dear Stockholder:

You are cordially invited to attend a special meeting	ng of the stockhold	ers of GFI Group Inc. ("GFI," "we,"	"our" or "us" and our
stockholders, "GFI Stockholders") to be held on [	], 2014, at [	] Eastern Standard Time, at [	] (the "Special Meeting"), to
consider and vote upon the following matters:			

- a proposal to adopt the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 30, 2014, by and among GFI, a Delaware corporation, CME Group Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CME"), Commodore Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, and Commodore Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME ("Merger Sub 2") (as it may be amended from time to time, the "GFI Merger Agreement"), providing for a merger in which GFI will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME (the "GFI Merger"). A copy of the GFI Merger Agreement is attached as **Annex A** to the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus (the "GFI Merger Proposal");
- a proposal to approve, by non-binding, advisory vote, certain compensation arrangements for GFI's named executive officers in connection with the GFI Merger contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement (the "'Golden Parachute' Compensation Proposal"). Such compensation arrangements will be assumed by IDB Buyer in connection with the IDB Transaction and accordingly any amounts owed under such compensation arrangements will be payable by, and be liabilities of, IDB Buyer following the closing of the GFI Merger; and
- 3. adjournments of the Special Meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are insufficient votes at the time of the Special Meeting to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement (the "Adjournment Proposal").

The record date for the Special Meeting is [ ], 2014. Only stockholders of record as of the close of business on [ ], 2014 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Special Meeting. All stockholders of record as of that date are cordially invited to attend the Special Meeting in person.

Your proxy is being solicited by our board of directors (the "GFI Board"). After careful consideration and acting upon the unanimous recommendation of the special committee of independent directors (the "Special Committee") formed by the GFI Board to consider and negotiate the terms and conditions of the GFI Merger and to make a recommendation to the GFI Board, the GFI Board (other than Messrs. Gooch and Heffron who recused themselves, which resulted in the remaining members of the GFI Board being comprised solely of the members of the Special Committee) has unanimously (i) determined that the GFI Merger Agreement and the GFI Merger are advisable, fair to, and in the best interests of GFI and its stockholders; (ii) approved, adopted and declared advisable the GFI Merger Agreement and the GFI Merger and (iii) resolved to recommend the adoption of the GFI Merger Agreement and the approval of the GFI Merger to GFI Stockholders at the Special Meeting. The GFI Board (other than Messrs. Gooch and Heffron who recused themselves, which resulted in the remaining members of the GFI Board being comprised solely of the members of the Special Committee), acting upon the unanimous recommendation of the Special Committee, unanimously recommends that you vote "FOR" the GFI Merger Proposal, "FOR" the "Golden Parachute" Compensation Proposal and "FOR" the Adjournment Proposal. The GFI Board

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made its determination after consultation with its legal and financial advisors and after considering a number of factors.

In considering the recommendation of the Special Committee and the GFI Board, you should be aware that Mr. Gooch, the executive chairman of the GFI Board, and Mr. Heffron, a member of the GFI Board and our chief executive officer, have certain interests in the GFI Merger and the related transactions that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of GFI Stockholders generally. Jersey Partners Inc., a New York corporation controlled by Mr. Gooch ("JPI"), is a party to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 30, 2014, by and among CME, Cheetah Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, Cheetah Acquisition LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME, New JPI Inc., a Delaware corporation formed by certain stockholders of JPI ("New JPI"), and stockholders of JPI and New JPI (including Messrs. Gooch and Heffron) (the "JPI Merger Agreement" and the transactions related thereto, the "JPI Merger"), pursuant to which New JPI, the resultant beneficial owner of all GFI Common Stock held by JPI after giving effect to a reorganization, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of CME in exchange for shares of CME Class A Common Stock equal to the merger consideration that otherwise would be payable in the GFI Merger for the shares of GFI Common Stock owned by New JPI. In connection with the transactions contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement and the JPI Merger Agreement, Merger Sub 2, GFI Brokers Holdco Ltd., a Bermuda limited company ("IDB Buyer"), JPI (solely for purposes of Article IX therein), New JPI (solely for purposes of Article IX therein) and CME (solely for purposes of Article IX therein) entered into a purchase agreement (the "IDB Purchase Agreement" and the transactions related thereto, the "IDB Transaction"), pursuant to which IDB Buyer, a private consortium of GFI management, led by Mr. Gooch and certain other members of GFI management (including Mr. Heffron), will purchase from Merger Sub 2, and Merger Sub 2 will sell, transfer and assign to IDB Buyer, all of Merger Sub 2's right, title and interest in and to all of the issued and outstanding securities of the subsidiaries of GFI that, after giving effect to an internal reorganization contemplated by the GFI Merger Agreement, will own and operate GFI's interdealer brokerage business. The closing of the GFI Merger is subject to, and dependent upon, the closing of the JPI Merger and the IDB Transaction, and the Special Committee and the GFI Board have not made any recommendation with regard to such transactions. In connection with the execution and delivery of the GFI Merger Agreement, JPI, New JPI and Messrs. Gooch, Heffron and Brown, a member of GFI management (the "GFI Supporting Stockholders"), as beneficial owners of GFI Common Stock, also entered into a support agreement, dated as of July 30, 2014, with CME (the "GFI Support Agreement"). The shares of GFI Common Stock subject to the GFI Support Agreement constituted approximately 37.8% of the total issued and outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock as of September 30, 2014. Under the GFI Support Agreement, the GFI Supporting Stockholders agreed to vote or cause to be voted their shares in favor of adoption of the GFI Merger Agreement and the related transactions.

In considering the unanimous recommendation of the Special Committee and the GFI Board you should be aware that the other directors and executive officers of GFI have certain other interests in the GFI Merger and the related transactions that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of our stockholders generally. The accompanying proxy statement/prospectus includes additional information regarding interests of Messrs. Gooch and Heffron and other directors and executive officers of GFI that are different from, and in addition to, the interests of our stockholders generally.

Your vote is very important, regardless of the number of shares you own. The GFI Merger cannot be completed unless (i) the holders of at least  $66^2/3\%$  of the shares of GFI Common Stock cast at the Special Meeting vote to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement (provided that such affirmative vote represents at least a majority of the outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock) and (ii) the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of GFI Common Stock (excluding shares owned by (a) the GFI Supporting Stockholders, (b) the other stockholders of JPI and New JPI, (c) the officers and directors of GFI or (d) any other person having any equity rights in, or any right to acquire any equity rights in (x) JPI, New JPI or any of their respective affiliates (other than GFI) or subsidiaries or (y) IDB Buyer or any of its affiliates (other than GFI) or subsidiaries) vote to adopt the GFI Merger Agreement.

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Even if you plan to attend the Special Meeting in person, GFI requests that you complete, sign, date and return, as promptly as possible, the enclosed proxy card in the accompanying prepaid reply envelope or submit your proxy by telephone or the Internet prior to the Special Meeting to ensure that your shares of GFI Common Stock will be represented at the Special Meeting if you are unable to attend. If you hold your shares in "street name" through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, you should follow the procedures provided by your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee to vote your shares. If you fail to submit a proxy or to attend the Special Meeting in person or do not provide your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee with instructions as to how to vote your shares, as applicable, your shares of GFI Common Stock will not be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Special Meeting and will have the same effect as a vote "AGAINST" the GFI Merger Proposal.

To gain admittance to the Special Meeting, please detach and retain the admission ticket attached to your proxy card. If your shares of GFI Common Stock are held through a bank, brokerage firm or other nominee, please bring evidence that you own GFI Common Stock to the Special Meeting and we will provide you with an admission ticket. If you received your special meeting materials electronically and wish to attend the meeting, please follow the instructions provided for attendance. A form of government-issued photo ID will be required to enter the Special Meeting.

WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE SPECIAL MEETING, PLEASE COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN AND RETURN, AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE, THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD IN THE ACCOMPANYING PREPAID REPLY ENVELOPE, OR SUBMIT YOUR PROXY BY TELEPHONE OR THE INTERNET. IF YOU ATTEND THE SPECIAL MEETING AND VOTE IN PERSON, YOUR VOTE BY BALLOT WILL REVOKE ANY PROXY PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Christopher D'Antuono

General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

New York, New York

Dated: [ ], 2014

#### REFERENCES TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This proxy statement/prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about GFI and CME, respectively, from other documents that GFI and CME have filed with the SEC and that are contained in or incorporated by reference into this proxy statement/prospectus. For a listing of documents incorporated by reference into this proxy statement/prospectus, see the section entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" beginning on page [ ] of this proxy statement/prospectus. This information is available for you to review at the SEC's public reference room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549, and through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

You may request copies of this proxy statement/prospectus and any of the documents incorporated by reference into this proxy statement/prospectus or other information concerning GFI, without charge, by written request to Investor Relations, GFI Group Inc., 55 Water Street, New York, NY 10041, or by telephone request at (212) 968-2992; or MacKenzie Partners, Inc., GFI's proxy solicitor, by calling toll-free at (800) 322-2885, or from the SEC through the SEC website at the address provided above.

You may also request a copy of this proxy statement/prospectus and any of the documents incorporated by reference into this proxy statement/prospectus or other information concerning CME, without charge, by written request directed to CME, Attention: General Counsel, CME Group Inc., 20 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606, or by telephone request at (312) 930-1000; or from the SEC through the SEC website at the address provided above.

In order for you to receive timely delivery of the documents in advance of the Special Meeting of GFI Stockholders to be held on [ ], 2014, you must request the information no later than five business days prior to the date of the Special Meeting, by [ ], 2014.

#### ABOUT THIS PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS

This document, which forms part of a registration statement on Form S-4 filed with the SEC by CME (File No. 333-[ ]), constitutes a prospectus of CME under Section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to the shares of CME Class A Common Stock to be issued to GFI Stockholders pursuant to the GFI Merger Agreement. This document also constitutes a proxy statement/prospectus of GFI under Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. It also constitutes a notice of meeting with respect to the Special Meeting, at which GFI Stockholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the adoption of the GFI Merger Agreement.

CME has supplied all information contained or incorporated by reference into this proxy statement/prospectus relating to CME, and GFI has supplied all such information relating to GFI.