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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported)

May 23, 2012

CME GROUP INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission
File No.)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

20 South Wacker Drive

Chicago, Illinois
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60606
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (312) 930-1000

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

At the 2012 CME Group Inc. (the Company) Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on May 23, 2012, (the Annual Meeting) shareholders approved proposals to adopt amendments to the Company s Omnibus Stock Plan and Employee Stock Purchase Plan. The amendments to the Omnibus Stock Plan include an extension of the term of the plan to June 30, 2022, the addition of new performance metrics and an amendment to the change of control provisions to provide that performance-based awards granted following the amendment shall vest in the event of a change of control at the greater of (i) actual performance at the time of the change of control or (ii) the target level. The amendments to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan increased the number of available shares from 40,000 to 100,000 and extended the expiration date to June 30, 2022.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Amended and Restated Omnibus Stock Plan and the Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan, which are filed as Exhibit 10.1 and Exhibit 10.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

At the Annual Meeting, shareholders approved a proposal to adopt amendments (the Amended Charter) to the Company s Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to (i) phase out the classification of the Company s Board of Directors as of its 2014 Annual Meeting, such that each director will be elected to a one-year term beginning with the Company s 2014 Annual Meeting and (ii) remove certain obsolete provisions contained in the Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. Upon shareholder approval of this proposal, conforming amendments (the Amended Bylaws) to the Company s Seventh Amended and Restated Bylaws became effective as well.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Amended Charter and Amended Bylaws, which are filed as Exhibit 3.1 and Exhibit 3.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

At the close of business on March 28, 2012, the record date of the Annual Meeting, the Company had 66,465,050 shares of Class A and Class B common stock issued and outstanding. The holders of a total of 55,012,937 shares of Class A and Class B common stock were present at the Annual Meeting, either in person or by proxy, which total constituted approximately 83% of the issued and outstanding shares on the record date for the Annual Meeting.

The results of the proposals are as follows:

1. *The election of seven Equity Directors to serve until 2014 (elected by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Withheld</i> |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Dennis H. Chookaszian | 30,203,602 | 16,598,361 |
| Larry G. Gerdes | 41,955,704 | 4,846,259 |
| Daniel R. Glickman | 45,347,670 | 1,454,293 |
| James E. Oliff | 45,484,554 | 1,317,409 |
| Edemir Pinto | 45,276,612 | 1,525,351 |
| Alex J. Pollock | 42,636,508 | 4,165,455 |
| William R. Shepard | 41,988,834 | 4,813,129 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

2. *The ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent public accounting firm for 2012 (ratified by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 50,623,354 | 4,128,568 | 261,015 |

3. *The approval, by advisory vote, of the compensation of the Company's named executive officers (approved by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 45,024,998 | 1,604,856 | 172,109 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

4. *Approval of the Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to eliminate classification of the Company's Board of Directors as of the 2014 Annual Meeting (approved by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 46,307,699 | 342,342 | 151,922 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

5. *Approval of the Amended and Restated Omnibus Stock Plan (approved by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 43,703,392 | 2,969,433 | 129,138 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

6. *Approval of the Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan (approved by the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 45,879,641 | 797,990 | 124,332 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

7. *Shareholder Proposal Regarding Proxy Access (failed to receive sufficient support from the Class A and Class B shareholders voting together as a single class):*

| <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 17,699,882 | 28,937,468 | 164,613 |

There were a total of 8,210,974 broker non-votes in this proposal.

8. *The election of Class B Directors:*

- a. *The election of one Class B-1 Director to serve until 2014 from a slate of three nominees (elected by the Class B-1 shareholders):*

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Jeffrey M. Bernacchi | 157 | 46 | 114 |
| Gary T. Lark | 31 | 80 | 206 |
| Gerard M. Shannon | 106 | 61 | 150 |

- b. *The election of one Class B-2 Director to serve until 2014 from a slate of three nominees (elected by the Class B-2 shareholders):*

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Yra G. Harris | 72 | 95 | 221 |
| Patrick J. Mulchrone | 67 | 100 | 221 |
| David J. Wescott | 202 | 39 | 147 |

9. *The election of Class B Nominating Committees:*

- a. *The election of five members of the Class B-1 Nominating Committee to serve until 2013 from a slate of ten nominees (elected by the Class B-1 shareholders):*

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Votes For</i> | <i>Votes Against</i> | <i>Abstentions</i> |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| William C. Bauman | 127 | 30 | 155 |
| Thomas A. Bentley | 122 | 38 | 152 |
| Michael J. Downs | 122 | 38 | 152 |
| Steven I. Freeman | 50 | 68 | 194 |
| Stephen F. French | 87 | 54 | 171 |
| John C. Garrity | 150 | 27 | 135 |
| Mark S. Kobilca | 58 | 53 | 201 |
| Brian J. Munro | 115 | 38 | 159 |
| Michael J. Small | 86 | 41 | 185 |
| Kenneth G. Zekich | 57 | 54 | 201 |

- b. *The election of five members of the Class B-3 Nominating Committee to serve until 2013 from a slate of ten nominees (elected by the Class B-3 shareholders) was deferred to June 13, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. at 20 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois.*

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- 3.1 Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of CME Group Inc.
- 3.2 Eighth Amended and Restated Bylaws of CME Group Inc.
- 10.1 CME Group Inc. Amended and Restated Omnibus Stock Plan
(amended and restated as of May 23, 2012)
- 10.2 Amended and Restated CME Group Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (amended and restated as of May 23, 2012)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CME Group Inc.

Registrant

Date: May 29, 2012

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Cronin
Name: Kathleen M. Cronin
Title: Senior Managing Director, General

Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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