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Submission No. 18-2 January 2, 2018

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick Secretary of the Commission Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581

Re: New Henry Hub Commercial Development Program -Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6(a)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commission Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. ("Exchange") submits, by written certification, notice that the Exchange is launching a new Henry Hub Commercial Development Program (the "Program") on January 18, 2018. The terms of the new Program are set forth in Exhibit A.

The Exchange certifies that the new Program complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. In particular, the Program complies with Core Principle 4 (Monitoring of Trading), Core Principle 9 (Execution of Transactions) and Core Principle 12 (Protection of Market Participants). The Program is structured to not create incentives for participants to engage in market abuses such as manipulative trading or wash sales. In addition, the Exchange's Market Regulation Department actively monitors for trading abuses using electronic exception reports and will take appropriate action against any participants engaging in market abuses. The Program does not impact order execution priority or otherwise give participants any execution preference or advantage.

The Exchange further certifies that, concurrent with this filing, a redacted copy of this submission (consistent with the petition for Confidential Treatment filed contemporaneously with the Commission) was posted on the Exchange's website at (<u>https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#rule-filings</u>). No substantive opposing views were expressed by members or others with respect to the new Program which will become effective on January 18, 2018.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 212-748-4021 or at jason.fusco@theice.com.

Sincerely,

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Division of Market Oversight cc:

EXHIBIT A

ICE Futures U.S. Henry Hub Commercial Participant Development Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incentivize commercial participants to increase central limit order book liquidity in the products listed below; this enhanced liquidity will benefit all participants in the marketplace.

Product Scope

Henry Hub LD1 Futures, Henry Hub LD1 TAS, Henry Hub ICE Lots Futures, Henry Hub ICE Lots Futures TAS, and Henry LD1 Fixed Price Future 25K, all lots, screen and block.

Eligible Participants

[REDACTED]

Program Term

The Program shall end on December 31, 2019, unless extended by the Exchange. The Exchange reserves the right to amend or end the program and/or to terminate any participant at any time prior to that date.

Obligations

Participants are required to provide the Exchange with information acceptable to the Exchange detailing Participants' Program volume, and the Exchange may require an additional third party verification report.

Program Incentives

[REDACTED]

Monitoring and Termination of Status

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and Participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke Participants' status if it concludes from review that a Program Participant has failed to meet its obligations or no longer meets the eligibility requirements of this Program.