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

Re: Amendments to Licensing Rules 7.08 and 7.14 - Pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6(a)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. ("IFUS" or "Exchange") submits by written certification the amendments to Exchange Rules 7.08 and 7.14 discussed below and set forth in Exhibit A.

Rule 7.08

Exchange Rule 7.08 sets for the requirements for Exchange licensed Warehouse and Tank Facility Operators. The amendment to Rule 7.08 will expressly require all licensed coffee and cocoa warehouse operators and all licensed frozen concentrate orange juice tank facility operators to be registered at all times with the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") in accordance the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act ("Act"). The Act requires domestic and foreign facilities engaged in manufacturing, processing, packing, or holding of food for consumption in the United States to be registered with the FDA as a "Food Facility" or Foreign Food Facility".

Rule 7.14

Exchange Rule 7.14 provides that all Exchange licensees are responsible for the acts of their officers, employees and agents. As written, the rule currently addresses only actions of employees; the amendment augments the rule by adding liability for omissions of employees. This standard more accurately reflects typical employer liability provisions in contractual relationships.

The Exchange certifies that the amendment, which will become effective on April 12, 2016, complies with the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to the amendment. The Exchange further certifies that concurrent with this filing a copy of this submission was posted on the Exchange's website at (https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#rule-filings).

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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EXHIBIT A

Rule 7.08. Warehouse and Tank Facility Operators

To be eligible for an Exchange license or renewal thereof, a warehouse operator must:

- (a) <u>be registered at all times with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as a "Food Facility" or "Foreign Food Facility, as applicable, (except in the case of a cotton warehouse operator), and meet all applicable laws, customs and other requirements of each jurisdiction in which the Firm is located, operates any Exchange licensed warehouse or tank facility or otherwise conducts business and all applicable laws and requirements of any government agency governing the operations of such licensed warehouse or tank facility;</u>
 - (i) if, at any time, any Exchange licensed warehouse or tank facility operator becomes aware that the laws of the jurisdiction, in which any Exchange licensed warehouse or tank facility is located, conflict, or are likely to conflict, with the requirements of the Rules, the warehouse or tank facility operator shall immediately notify the Exchange. In the event of a conflict, the Exchange shall determine whether, in its reasonable opinion, the conflict is reconcilable with the Rules and shall determine in its absolute discretion what action, if any, to take. If the Exchange determines in its sole discretion that the conflict will not immediately prejudice the warehouse or tank facility operator from complying with the Rules, the Exchange shall, without prejudice to its rights and powers under the Rules, consult with the warehouse or tank facility operator as to what, if any, remedial action to take.

[REMAINDER OF RULE UNCHANGED]

Rule 7.14. Responsibility for Employees

All Licensees shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of their officers, employees and agents.