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Submission No. 17-91
June 12, 2017

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: Amendments to Sugar Arb Blocks Liquidity Provider Program
Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“IFUS” or “Exchange”) hereby submits, by written certification, notice that the Exchange is extending the term of the Sugar Arb Blocks Liquidity Provider Program (“Program”), which was launched for an initial term on August 1, 2016 and set to expire on June 30, 2017. The Exchange believes the program has helped support liquidity in the Sugar No. 11/white sugar arbitrage market and is extending the Program through June 30, 2018. All other Program terms, which are described in Exhibit A, remain unchanged.

The Exchange certifies that the amendments to the Program comply with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. In particular, the Program continues to comply with Core Principle 4 (Monitoring of Trading), Core Principle 9 (Execution of Transactions) and Core Principle 12 (Protection of Market Participants). The Program does not impact order execution priority or otherwise give participants any execution preference or advantage. 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 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 (<https://www.theice.com/notices/RegulatoryFilings.shtml>).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason V. Fusco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jason V. Fusco
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cc: Division of Market Oversight
New York Regional Office

EXHIBIT A

[REDACTED]

ICE Futures U.S. Sugar Arb Blocks Liquidity Provider Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incentivize participants to increase liquidity in the Sugar No. 11/White Sugar arbitrage market.

Product Scope

Sugar No. 11 futures.

Eligible Participants

IFUS may designate up to five participants in the Program, who may be Exchange members or non-members. In order to be considered for selection into the Program, potential participants must have maintained a sufficient monthly average volume relative to the Monthly Program Volume threshold in Program contracts over the past three months at the time of application. Notwithstanding the foregoing the Exchange may add or subtract from the aforementioned criteria as it deems necessary.

Program Term

The Program shall end on June 30, 201(7)8, 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' trading activity under the program, and the Exchange may require an additional third party verification report.

Program Incentives

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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.