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Organization: New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX")

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- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
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- SIDCO Emergency Rule Change § 40.10(h)

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- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
- Approval § 40.3(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

**Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
- Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.24(c)
- Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
- "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" § 40.4(b)(5)
- Notification § 40.6(d)

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:

Rule Numbers:

July 19, 2022

**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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

**Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Trading at Settlement (“TAS”) Eligibility for the Micro WTI Crude Oil Futures Contract. NYMEX Submission No. 22-226**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or “Exchange”) is certifying to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or the “Commission”) amendments to the Trading at Settlement (“TAS”) and Trading at Market (“TAM”) Table located in Chapter 5 (“Trading Qualifications and Practices”) (the “Table”) to enable TAS transactions for the Micro WTI Crude Oil Futures Contract (the “Contract”) effective Sunday, August 7, 2022 for trade date Monday, August 8, 2022, as noted below.

Contract Title	Rulebook Chapter	CME Globex and CME ClearPort Code	TAS Code	TAS Eligibility as of Trade Date August 8, 2022
Micro WTI Crude Oil Futures	309	MCL	MCT	TAS eligible in first 12 contract months

Specifically, the Contract shall be TAS eligible on the CME Globex electronic trading platform (“CME Globex”) and as block TAS on CME ClearPort for the first twelve (12) contract months (collectively, the “Rule Amendments”). Spread transactions of the Contract shall not be TAS eligible.

The Exchange conducted an analysis of liquidity of the Contracts on a month-by-month basis and determined that the TAS eligibility of the Contract is appropriate at this time.

Amendments to the Table are provided as Exhibit A in blackline format.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”) and identified that the Rule Amendments may have some bearing on the following core principles:

- **Availability of General Information:** The Exchange will publish information on the change via a Special Executive Report (“SER”) to notify the marketplace of the Rule Amendments. The SER will also be posted on the CME Group website.
- **Contract Not Readily Subject to Manipulation:** A review of the Contract shows that there is sufficient liquidity on CME Globex to support pricing at TAS. There continues to be belief that this Contract is not subject to manipulation.

- **Daily Publication of Trading Information:** The Exchange shall make public daily information on settlement prices, volume, open interest, and opening and closing ranges for the Contract.
- **Compliance with Rules:** The SER being issued provides information on the Contract eligible to be entered on CME Globex. The SER and the Table are intended to provide regulatory guidance to ensure that market participants are in compliance with Rule 524. (“Trading at Settlement (“TAS”) and Trading at Marker (“TAM”) Transactions”).

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the CEA and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the Rule Amendments comply with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange’s website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200 or e-mail [CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com).

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit A – Amendments to the Trading at Settlement (“TAS”) and Trading at Marker (“TAM”) Table

**Exhibit A**  
**NYMEX Rulebook**  
**Chapter 5**  
**(“Trading Qualifications and Practices”)**  
**Rule 524. Trading at Settlement (“TAS”) and Trading at Marker (“TAM”) Table**  
**(additions underscored)**

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