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Submission No. 19-245 July 24, 2019

Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20581

# **Re:** Amendments to ICE Futures U.S. NGL Global Development 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, an amendment extending the term of the NGL Global Development Program ("Program"), as set forth in Exhibit A. The Exchange believes that the Program, which is set to expire on September 3, 2019, has helped increase liquidity in the covered NGL markets. As such, the Program is being extended through January 31, 2020. All other Program terms remain unchanged.

The Exchange certifies that the amendment to the Program complies 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 is not aware of any opposing views with regard to the amendment to the Program, which will become effective on August 12, 2019, and 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/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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Division of Market Oversight cc: New York Regional Office

## EXHIBIT A

### ICE Futures U.S. NGL Global Development Program

#### **Program Purpose**

The purpose of the Program is to attract and incentivize low volume participants to grow their ICE Cleared NGL/LPG Futures transaction volumes.

#### **Product Scope**

ICE Futures U.S. NGL Futures and Options

### **Eligible Participants**

IFUS may designate up to five Participants in the Program, who may be Exchange members or nonmembers. In order to be considered for selection into the Program, potential Participants must be minimally active in trading NGL or LPG Futures and be capable of growing their volumes to a monthly average of 5,000 lots or the barrel equivalent of 5,000,000. Notwithstanding the foregoing the Exchange may add or subtract from the aforementioned criteria as it deems necessary.

### **Program Term**

[Each Participant shall be eligible for a maximum of 12 calendar months and t] The end date of the Program shall be [September 3, 2019] January 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 agree 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**

### [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.