

October 27, 2020

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Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Attention: Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification: Submission of Amendments to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Nodal Exchange, LLC (“Nodal Exchange” or “Exchange”) is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) that it is self-certifying amendments to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook (“Rules”) pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6(a). The Exchange is adding Section 3.6 *Requirements for Participants making or taking physical delivery of Renewable Identification Numbers (“RINs”)* and adding Section 3.7 *Eligible Facility Criteria for RINs*. In addition, the Exchange is amending the *Exchange and Clearing Transaction Fee Schedule* and *Appendix B Minimum Block Sizes* to facilitate the trading of RINs as well as other environmental contracts. The amended Rules are attached hereto and indicate the specific text in red that is being added. The Exchange intends to implement the amended Rules on or after November 10, 2020.

To facilitate the upcoming launch of RINs products, the Exchange is amending the Rulebook to provide requirements for Participants making or taking physical delivery of RINs and establishing eligible facility criteria for RINs. In addition, the Exchange is updating the fee schedule and minimum block sizes for RINs as well as other environmental products.

Exchange management has assessed the amendments to the Rules and Fee Schedule, and their compliance with applicable provisions of the Act, including the Commissions Regulations and the Core Principles. Nodal Exchange has identified that the amendments may affect the following Core Principles as follows:

Core Principle 2 - Compliance with the Rules: The amendments to the Rules provide clarity and consistency with the Act for compliance with the Rules. The Exchange and Clearing Transaction Fee Schedule is applicable to all Nodal Exchange Participants.

Core Principle 4 - Prevention of Market Disruption: All activity performed on Nodal is subject to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook Section VI, which prohibits disruptive trading behavior and manipulation, subject to monitoring and surveillance by the Exchange's Division of Market Surveillance.

Core Principle 7 – Availability of General Information: The amendments to the Rules provide clarity to Exchange Participants. The amended Rules and the Exchange and Clearing Transaction Fee Schedule are available to market authorities, Participants, Authorized Brokers and the public on the Exchange website.

Core Principle 12 - Protection of Markets and Market Participants: Section VI of the Nodal Exchange Rulebook protects the market and market participants from abusive, disruptive, fraudulent, noncompetitive and unfair conduct and trade practices.

Core Principle 13 - Disciplinary Procedures: Section VII of the Nodal Exchange Rulebook describes the disciplinary procedures of the Exchange that authorize the Exchange to discipline, suspend, or expel anyone on the Exchange that violates these rules.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and the Commission's Regulation 40.6, the Exchange certifies that amended Rules comply with the Act and the Commission's Regulations thereunder. There have not been any opposing views expressed regarding the amendments to the Rules.

Nodal Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Nodal Exchange website at www.nodalexchange.com.

If you have any question or need additional information regarding this submission, please contact me at 703-962-9853 or Markotic@nodalexchange.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Max Markotic

Director of Compliance

Attachment:

Redline of Nodal Exchange Rulebook Sections 3.6 and 3.7

Redline of Nodal Exchange Rulebook Appendix B – Minimum Block Sizes

Redline of the Exchange and Clearing Transaction Fee Schedule