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Submission No. 22-236
November 29, 2022

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

Re: New ICE Futures U.S. Henry Hub 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, the terms of the new Henry Hub Development Program (“Program”), which are set forth in Exhibit A. The Exchange believes the new Program will incentivize participants to utilize the Exchange’s Henry Hub futures and options markets increasing both the volume and the liquidity in such markets.

The Exchange certifies that the new Program, which will become effective on January 1, 2023, complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. In particular, the Program complies 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 notice of pending certification was posted on the Exchange’s website. A copy of this submission may be accessed at (<https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#rule-filings>). The Exchange is not aware of any opposing views with respect to the Program.

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
Assistant General Counsel
Market Regulation

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cc: Division of Market Oversight

EXHIBIT A

ICE Futures US Henry Hub Development Program

Program Purpose

The purpose of the Program is to incentivize participants to increase liquidity in the products listed below; this enhanced liquidity will benefit all participants in the marketplace.

Product Scope

Henry Hub Futures and Options (“Program Contracts”)

Eligible Participants

IFUS may designate up to 3 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 show significant volumes across Henry Hub contracts on IFUS: volumes in excess of 700,000 lots per month on average per quarter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Exchange may add or subtract from the aforementioned criteria as it deems necessary.

Program Term

The Program shall end on September 30, 2024, 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

[PARAGRAPH REDACTED]

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.