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Submission No. 22-128  
September 12, 2024

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

**Re: Extension of Henry Hub Options Trading Incentive Program -  
Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commission Regulation 40.6, ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“Exchange”) submits, by written certification, notice that the Exchange is extending the term of the ICE Futures U.S. Henry Hub Options Trading Incentive Program (“the Program”) through September 30, 2026. As explained in Exhibit A, the Exchange believes that the program, which was launched on November 4, 2015 and set to expire on September 30, 2024, will continue to help promote interest in the covered products. A copy of the Program terms are attached as Exhibit A.

The Exchange certifies that the Program complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. In particular, the amendments comply with Core Principle 4 (Monitoring of Trading), Core Principle 9 (Execution of Transactions) and Core Principle 12 (Protection of Market Participants). The Program is structured so that they do not create incentives for participants to engage in market abuses such as manipulative trading or wash sales. 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 Program does not impact order execution priority or otherwise give participants any execution preference or advantage.

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 extension will become effective on October 1, 2024. The Exchange is not aware of any substantive opposing views with respect to the extension.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason V. Fusco". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'J'.

Jason V. Fusco  
General Counsel  
ICE Futures U.S., Inc.

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cc: Division of Market Oversight  
New York Regional Office

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **ICE Futures U.S. Henry Hub Options Trading Incentive Program**

#### **Program Purpose**

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

#### **Product Scope**

Henry Hub Daily Options, Henry Hub Monthly Options, Henry Hub CSO Options and Henry Hub 1X Options (“Program Contracts”)

#### **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 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 start date for the Program shall be the Effective Date; the end date shall be September 30, 202[4]6.

#### **Obligations**

[REDACTED]

#### **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.