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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: Amendment to ICE Futures U.S. Coffee “C” @ Appendix II(e)--  
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 Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“Commission”) Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“IFUS” or “Exchange”) self certifies the amendment attached as Exhibit A. The amendment is being made to clarify that grading coffee for defects is performed based on the volume of coffee beans in the sample tray, not the weight of the sample. Specifically, the amendment expressly refers to a sample size which can fit in a tray of specified dimensions, rather than a sample size of any particular weight. The reference to a 350 gram tray would also be deleted. This clarification is consistent with the current process in place and gives a clear description of how the sample size is determined, and was unanimously recommended by the Exchange’s board of coffee graders.

The Exchange is not aware of any opposing views expressed by members or others regarding the amendment. The Exchange certifies that the amendment, which will become effective ten (10) business days from the date of this filing, complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The Exchange further certifies that, concurrent with this filing, a copy of this submission was posted on the Exchange’s website and may be accessed at (<https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#rule-filings>). If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the undersigned at 212-748-4083 or [Audrey.hirschfeld@theice.com](mailto:Audrey.hirschfeld@theice.com).

Sincerely yours,

Audrey R. Hirschfeld  
SVP and General Counsel

cc: Division of Market Oversight

## **Exhibit A**

Coffee "C" Appendix II - Procedures for Grading Coffee and Issuance of Certificates of Grade

Appendix II (e) Procedures for Grading

Graders shall grade samples in accordance with normal commercial practice and:

(+) shall only grade samples of such size as is contained in a standard aluminum tray which measures 5"x8" with 1.2" sidewalls with the tray filled and leveled off to the top (~~three hundred fifty (350) gram tray;~~)

**Remainder of Rule Unchanged**