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Submission No. 16-79 July 8, 2016

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

Re: Amendments to Appendix II of Chapter 8 (Coffee "C" Rules) - Pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6(a)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. ("IFUS" or "Exchange") submits by written certification the amendments to Appendix II of Chapter 8 set forth in Exhibit A, which clarify five particular imperfections for coffee delivered against the Coffee "C" Futures Contract.

The Exchange is making non-substantive changes to the language used to describe five imperfections listed in the Schedule of Imperfections for the Coffee "C" Futures Contract to conform such descriptions with current industry terminology. The IFUS Board of Coffee Graders, a committee which has an oversight role in the coffee grading process, first proposed the amendments and voted unanimously to recommend them for consideration by the Coffee Committee. The IFUS Coffee Committee voted unanimously to approve the amendments with the additional recommendation that they be implemented for all delivery months, including those with open interest. In reaching that recommendation the Coffee Committee determined unanimously that the proposed amendments clarify the current text and do not change the meaning of the provisions in any way. The recommendations of the Coffee Committee were subsequently approved by unanimous vote by the Exchange's Board of Directors.

The Exchange certifies that the amendments, which will become effective on July 25, 2016, comply with the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to the amendment. The Exchange further certifies that concurrent with this

posted filing copy of this submission the Exchange's website а was on 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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EXHIBIT A

(g) Schedule of Imperfections.

- (1) The following constitute one (1) full imperfection:
 - one (1) full black;
 - one (1) full sour;
 - one (1) pod or cherry;
 - five (5) shells;
 - five (5) broken or cut beans;

two (2) to five (5) partly black or partly sour or partly immature beans, depending upon the extent to which each bean is discolored or spoiled;

five (5) floaters;

three (3) sticks smaller than one-half (1/2) inch;

one (1) stick ranging in size from one-half (1/2) inch to one (1) inch;

three (3) stones [passing through a screen size] below screen twelve (12);

one (1) stone [passing through a screen size no smaller than] <u>below screen sixteen (16) but</u> <u>above screen twelve (12);</u>

- two (2) to three (3) hulls or husks, depending upon size;
- ten (10) bored beans; and
- two (2) to three (3) parchments, depending upon size.
- (2) The following constitute two (2) full imperfections:
 - one (1) stick ranging in size from greater than one (1) inch to two (2) inches; and
 - one (1) stone [passing through a screen size no smaller than] below screen twenty (20) and above screen fifteen (15) [sixteen (16)].
- (3) The following constitute three (3) full imperfections:
 - one (1) stick larger than two (2) inches; and
 - one (1) stone [passing through a] above screen [size over] twenty (20).
- (4) Any additional non-coffee item shall be one (1) full imperfection.

(Balance of the Rule unchanged)