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- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
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- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.24(c)
- Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
- "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" § 40.4(b)(5)
- Notification § 40.6(d)

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected: See filing. Rule Numbers: See filing.

August 3, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a). Certification. Notification Regarding S&P Global Platts to Merge The Steel Index (TSI) 62% and Platts IODEX Price Series Methodology Changes Affecting Four (4) NYMEX Iron Ore Futures and Options Contracts.

NYMEX Submission No. 17-305

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. (“NYMEX” or “Exchange”) is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC” or “Commission”) that S&P S&P Global Platts (“Platts”) recently announced that effective on January 1, 2018, it will change the methodologies of both The Steel Index (“TSI”) “Iron Ore 62% Fe Benchmark Index” and Platts “IODEX 62% FE CFR China” assessment in order to align them. The announcement regarding these changes may be viewed [here](#). In connection therewith NYMEX is self-certifying with the Commission that effective with the January 2018 contract month and beyond, the Exchange determined that with specific regard to the four (4) contracts noted in the table below (the “Contracts”), no price differential will be utilized to adjust outstanding futures and options positions that will settle against TSI “Iron Ore 62% Fe Benchmark Index” or Platts “IODEX 62% FE CFR China” assessment specifications.

Commodity Code	Contract Title	NYMEX Rulebook Chapter
TIO	Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR China (TSI) Futures	919
ICT	Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR China (TSI) Average Price Option	644
PIO	Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR North China (Platts) Futures	925
ICP	Iron Ore 62% Fe, CFR North China (Platts) Average Price Option	645

TSI and Platts have advised the Exchange that they have analyzed the historical price differences based on the different quality and delivery specifications and timestamps.

The Contracts are available for trading on the CME Globex electronic trading platform and for submission for clearing through CME ClearPort.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“Act” or “CEA”) and identified that the methodology changes may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- Availability of General Information: NYMEX will issue a Special Executive Report (“SER”) to the marketplace regarding these index and assessment methodology changes. The SER will also be posted on the CME Group website.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the information contained herein complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange’s website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200 or CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com.

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel