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November 15, 2018

### **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 Amendments to NYMEX Rule 589. ("Special Price Fluctuation Limits") for Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures Contract and Seven (7) Associated Natural Gas Contracts.

NYMEX Submission No. 18-465

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying amendments to NYMEX Rule 589. ("Special Price Fluctuation Limits and Daily Price Limits") table (the "Table") for the Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures contract and seven (7) associated natural gas contracts (the "Contracts") listed in Exhibit A attached (the "Rule Amendments").

Earlier today, pursuant NYMEX Rule 579.A. ("Global Command Center – GCC Authority"), the Exchange notified the Commission that the CME Group Global Command Center ("GCC") took emergency action on November 14, 2018, effective for trade date November 15, 2018. The emergency action was taken in light of recent natural gas price movements and is intended to ensure fair and orderly trading in all these products which are subject to NYMEX Rule 589. The emergency action applied to Contracts. Specifically, GCC amended the special price fluctuation limits of the Contracts from 30 cents to 50 cents. See NYMEX Submission No. 18-464 also dated November 15, 2018.

Pursuant to this submission, the Exchange will implement the Rule Amendments on a permanent basis. The emergency action described above will remain in effect until this submission shall become effective on trade date Monday, December 3, 2018.

The Rule Amendments are provided in blackline format as Exhibit A.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA") and staff identified that the Rule Amendments may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- Prevention of Market Disruption: The Rule Amendments reflect the Exchange efforts to more effectively protect the market from large price fluctuations of the Contracts. The Exchange believes that the amendments are consistent with this Core Principle requiring the Exchange to maintain and promote an orderly market.
- Availability of General Information: The Exchange will amend the NYMEX rulebook accordingly which is publicly available on the CME Group website. In addition, the Exchange published industry notifications to advise the marketplace of the Rule Amendments. The industry notifications are posted on the CME Group website.
- **Execution of Transactions**: The Rule Amendments will further enable the Exchange to continue its current practice of providing a competitive, open, and efficient market mechanism for executing transactions.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the Rule Amendments comply with the Act, including all 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 <a href="http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html">http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</a>.

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

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachments: Exhibit A: Amendments to NYMEX Rule 589. ("Special Price Fluctuation Limits and Daily Price Limits") Table (blackline format)

## Exhibit A NYMEX Rulebook Chapter 5

## ("Trading Qualifications and Practices") Rule 589.

# Special Price Fluctuation Limits and Daily Price Limits Table (additions <u>underlined</u>; deletions <u>struckthrough</u>)

| Product  | Rulebook<br>Chapter | Commodity<br>Code | Primary/<br>Associated | Associated<br>With | Base in<br>Real<br>Economic<br>Value | Level<br>1                   | Level<br>2  | Level<br>3  | Level<br>4                     | Level<br>5  |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
|  |                     |                   |                        |                    |                                      |                              |             |             |                                |             |
| Henry Hub<br>Natural<br>Gas<br>Futures   | 220                 | NG                | Primary                | Primary            | \$0.30<br>\$0.50                     | 300<br>500                   | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | 1200<br>2000                   | No<br>Limit |
| Henry Hub Natural Gas Last Day Physically- Delivered Futures                   | 1156                | MNG               | Associated             | NG                 | \$ <del>0.30</del><br>\$0.50         | <del>300</del><br><u>500</u> | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br><u>2000</u> | No<br>Limit |
| E-mini<br>Natural<br>Gas<br>Futures  | 402                 | QG                | Associated             | NG                 | <del>\$0.30</del><br><u>\$0.50</u>   | 300<br>500                   | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br><u>2000</u> | No<br>Limit |
| Henry Hub Natural Gas Look- Alike Penultimate Financial Futures                | 824                 | НР                | Associated             | NG                 | \$ <del>0.30</del><br>\$0.50         | <del>300</del><br><u>500</u> | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br><u>2000</u> | No<br>Limit |
| Henry Hub Natural Gas Penultimate Financial Futures                            | 529                 | NP                | Associated             | NG                 | \$0.30<br>\$0.50                     | 300<br>500                   | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br>2000        | No<br>Limit |
| Henry Hub<br>Natural<br>Gas Look-<br>Alike Last<br>Day<br>Financial<br>Futures | 823                 | нн                | Associated             | NG                 | \$ <del>0.30</del><br>\$0.50         | <del>300</del><br><u>500</u> | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br>2000        | No<br>Limit |

| Henry Hub<br>Natural<br>Gas Last<br>Day<br>Financial<br>Futures | 508 | NN  | Associated | NG | \$ <del>0.30</del><br>\$0.50 | <del>300</del><br><u>500</u> | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br><u>2000</u> | No<br>Limit |
|---|-----|-----|------------|----|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Henry Hub Natural Gas Last Day Financial Futures (Daily Units)  | 508 | NNE | Associated | NG | \$ <del>0.30</del><br>\$0.50 | <del>30</del><br>500         | 600<br>1000 | 900<br>1500 | <del>1200</del><br>2000        | No<br>Limit |