

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of
QC Clearing LLC
For Registration as a Derivatives Clearing Organization

ORDER OF REGISTRATION

QC Clearing LLC (“QC Clearing”) has submitted to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “Commission”), pursuant to Section 5b of the Commodity Exchange Act (the “Act”), 7 U.S.C. § 7a-1, an application for registration as a derivatives clearing organization (“DCO”). Having reviewed the complete record in this matter, including QC Clearing’s application, all amendments thereto, and representations made by QC Clearing, the Commission makes the following findings and rulings:

WHEREAS QC Clearing represents that it meets all the requirements for registration as a DCO under Section 5b of the Act, that it will comply with all core principles applicable to a DCO under Section 5b of the Act (“Core Principles”) and the Commission’s regulations thereunder, and that it will remain subject to and compliant with all provisions of the Act and the Commission’s regulations applicable to a DCO;

WHEREAS QC Clearing represents that it will ensure the performance of all self-regulatory functions required of it as a registered DCO under the Act and Commission regulations, including, without limitation: monitoring and enforcing clearing member compliance with QC Clearing admission and continuing eligibility standards; and enforcing clearing member compliance with the terms of all other QC Clearing rules, regulations, and procedures;

WHEREAS QC Clearing represents that all funds held in any Account (as that term is defined in QC Clearing's rulebook, referring to clearing member accounts) will be considered member property, as that term is defined in the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, and it will at all times maintain funds of its clearing members separate and distinct from its own funds;

WHEREAS QC Clearing represents that it will not permit any clearing member to clear on behalf of customers at QC Clearing, and that prior to permitting clearing members to clear on behalf of customers, QC Clearing will have rules applicable to customer clearing approved by the Commission pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.5 or self-certified pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6;

WHEREAS Commission staff reviewed and analyzed QC Clearing's application for registration as a DCO, including QC Clearing's rules and all amendments thereto and representations made by QC Clearing, and conducted a technical evaluation of QC Clearing's proposed operations to evaluate QC Clearing's compliance with each of the core principles and corresponding regulations in accordance with Section 5b(c)(2)(A)(i) of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 7a-1(c)(2)(A)(i);

WHEREAS based on that review, the Commission concludes that QC Clearing's application, including all amendments thereto and representations made by QC Clearing, demonstrates compliance with the applicable requirements of the Act and the Commission's regulations for registration as a DCO;

WHEREAS this order is based upon the representations made and supporting material provided to the Commission by QC Clearing and any changes to or omissions in the material facts or circumstances pursuant to which this order is issued may require a new or amended order;

The Commission FINDS that QC Clearing has demonstrated, as required by Section 5b of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 7a-1, and Commission Regulation 39.3(a), 17 C.F.R. § 39.3(a), that it complies with the provisions set forth in the Act and the Commission’s regulations thereunder applicable to registration as a DCO, and provides sufficient assurance that it will continue to comply with the requirements of the Act and the Commission’s regulations.

Therefore:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Section 5b of the Act, 7 U.S.C. § 7a-1, that the application of QC Clearing for registration as a DCO is approved, subject to the terms and conditions specified herein:

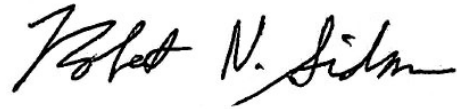
(1) Cleared Products. QC Clearing is permitted to clear, in its capacity as a DCO, fully collateralized positions in futures contracts, options on futures contracts, and swaps. A position cleared by QC Clearing is fully collateralized if it meets the definition of “fully collateralized position” in Commission Regulation 39.2.

(2) New Regulations. Should the Commission promulgate or amend a regulation addressing or otherwise affecting any aspect of this order, then such regulation will apply and supersede the applicable term(s) in this order.

(3) Reservation of Rights. This order is based upon the representations made and supporting material provided to the Commission by QC Clearing. Any changes to or omissions in the material facts or circumstances pursuant to which this order is issued may require a new or amended order. Further, for any reason in its own discretion, the Commission may condition, modify, suspend, terminate, or otherwise restrict the terms of this order, as appropriate and as permitted by law, on its own motion.

Issued in Washington, D.C., this 16th day of December, 2024.

By the Commission

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert N. Sidman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "R".

Robert N. Sidman
Deputy Secretary of the Commission