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Submission No. 11-21 April 25, 2011

Mr. David A. Stawick
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:

Temporary Change in Trading Hours on Electronic Platform Due to Human Error Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6

Dear Mr. Stawick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commission Regulation 40.6, ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (the "Exchange") submits, by written certification, notification to the Commission that, on April 14, 2011, the Exchange's electronic platform was temporarily shutdown solely for its Financial futures and options contracts due to human error. Only floor trading for the Financial options contracts was scheduled to close early at 1:00 p.m. due to the Good Friday Holiday the next day (see Submission No. 11-19). However, due to human error, electronic trading in the Financials was closed at 1:00 p.m. as well. The human error was resolved by the Exchange reopening electronic trading for the Financial futures and options contracts at 1:25 p.m. and closing at its normal time of 5:00 p.m.

This action was taken in accordance with Rule 6.02(a), which provides that "[i]n the event the physical functions of the Exchange are . . . adversely affected by a 'Physical Emergency', such as . . .computer malfunction, screen-based trading break-down. . . the President, or in his absence any Senior Vice President . . . may take any action which, in the opinion of such officer is necessary or appropriate to deal with the Physical Emergency, . . . ." Given the human error which inappropriately closed electronic trading for the Financials, the President made the determination to reopen such trading for the Financials as quickly as possible.

The Exchange certifies that the reopening of electronic trading in response to the human error experienced by the Exchange complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 212-748-4084 or at <a href="mailto:jill.fassler@theice.com">jill.fassler@theice.com</a> or Jason Fusco at 212-748-4021 or at <a href="mailto:jason.fusco@theice.com">jason.fusco@theice.com</a>.

Sincerely,

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