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## **VIA E-MAIL**

Ms. Melissa Jurgens
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: Rule 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding Amendments to the Ethanol T2 FOB Rdam Including Duty (Platts) Futures Contract. NYMEX Submission No. 13-303

Dear Ms. Jurgens:

The 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 the Ethanol T2 FOB Rdam Including Duty (Platts) Futures contract (Code: Z1, Rule Chapter 194). The Exchange is self-certifying the amendments to Rule 194.02 ("Floating Price") to accurately reflect the move of the price reference to the new Platts Biofuelscan publication. The amendments do not represent a material change and will, in no manner, impact the structure of the contract. These rule amendments shall become effective on Sunday, August 11, 2013, for trade date Monday, August 12, 2013.

NYMEX business staff responsible for the rule amendments and the NYMEX legal department collectively reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, NYMEX staff identified that this amendment may have some bearing on the following Core Principle:

• <u>Availability of General Information</u>: The information contained herein will be disseminated to the marketplace via Special Executive Report. The Exchange will publish information on the contract's website, together with daily trading volume, open interest, and price information.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the CEA and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), NYMEX hereby certifies that the proposed rule amendments comply with the CEA, including regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to the proposed rule amendments.

NYMEX certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on NYMEX'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 christopher.bowen@cmegroup.com.

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Appendix A – Amendments to NYMEX Chapter 194

## Appendix A

(bold/underline indicates addition; strikethrough indicates deletion)

## Chapter 194 Ethanol T2 FOB Rdam Including Duty (Platts) Futures

## 194.02. FLOATING PRICE

The Floating Price for each contract month is equal to the arithmetic average of the mid-point of the high and low quotations from Platts <u>Biofuelscan</u> <u>European Marketscan</u> for <u>the</u> <u>"Ethanol T2 FOB Rotterdam (Eur/cu m)"</u> <u>"Fuel grade ethanol T2" under the heading "Barges FOB Rotterdam"</u> assessment for each business day that it is determined during the contract month.