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Submission No. 13-109 November 14, 2013

Ms. Melissa Jurgens Secretary of the Commission Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581

Re: Delayed Open of Certain Natural Gas Markets <u>Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6 (a)</u>

Dear Ms Jurgens:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. ("Exchange") is notifying the Commission that on the evening November 13, 2013, the open of trading for all non-Henry Hub Natural Gas futures and options markets for trade date November 14th was temporarily delayed from 7:50PM to 8:25PM. The market did not open as scheduled at 7:50PM New York Time due to a system override that was implemented to correct a software issue which occurred earlier in the day. Once the problem was identified, the system override was corrected and the Exchange began procedures to re-open the markets at 8:10PM. All non-Henry Hub Natural Gas markets subsequently went into pre-open at 8:20PM and opened at 8:25PM. An automated message was sent to all users who were logged in at the time of the incident.

The action to open the non-Henry Hub Natural Gas markets was taken by the Vice President of Operations of ICE in accordance with Rule 6.02(a), which provides that " in the event of a computer malfunction or screen-based trading system disruption, the Vice President, Operations of ICE may take any action which, in the opinion of such officer is necessary or appropriate to deal with the computer malfunction or screen-based trading system disruption...".

The Exchange certifies that the delayed open complies with the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The Exchange is not aware of any substantive opposing views with respect to this action. ICE Futures US further certifies that a copy of this submission was posted on the Exchange's website concurrent with its filing with the Commission.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 212-748-4021 or at jason.fusco@theice.com.

Sincerely,

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