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Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick
Secretary of the Commission
Office of the Secretariat
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Three Lafayette Centre
1155 21st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20581

Re: Weekly Notification of Rule Changes
Submission Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6 (d)

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commission Regulation 40.6(d), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“Exchange”) submits notification to the Commission that, during the preceding week, the Exchange amended Rules 4.02 and 18.E.004, as set forth in Exhibit A and described below.

The Exchange corrected typographical errors in Rules 4.02 and 18.E.004. Specifically, Rule 4.02(g)(1) incorrectly referenced sub-paragraph (m) for the definition of pre-execution discussions, when such definition is contained in sub-paragraph (k). Rule 18.E.004, which contains the contract specifications for the Option on Henry Penultimate Fixed Price Future (“PHE”), similarly contained a typographical error in that it identified an increment of \$0.001 for user-defined strike prices, rather than an increment of \$0.01.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason V. Fusco", written in a cursive style.

Jason V. Fusco
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Market Regulation

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cc: Division of Market Oversight

EXHIBIT A

(In the text of the amendments below, additions are underlined and deletions are bracketed and lined out.)

Subchapter 18E – Energy Options Contracts

Rule 18.E.004 Option on Henry Penultimate Fixed Price Future

Contract Description: A monthly Option on the corresponding Contract Period of the Henry Penultimate Fixed Price Future.

Contract Symbol: PHE

Settlement Method: Exercise into Underlying Futures Contract

Contract Size: 2500 MMBtus

Currency: USD

Minimum Price Fluctuation: The price quotation convention shall be One hundredth of a cent (\$0.0001) per MMBtu; minimum price fluctuation may vary by trade type. Please see Table in Resolution 1 to this Chapter 18.

Listing Cycle: Up to 84 consecutive monthly Contract Periods, or as otherwise determined by the Exchange.

Last Trading Day: At 2:30pm EPT on the fourth Business Day prior to the first calendar day of the Contract Period

Option Style: European

Exercise Method: Automatic Only

Exercise Procedure: Manual exercise or abandon is not permitted

Exercise Day: The Last Trading Day

Automatic Exercise Provisions: Options which are "in the money", with respect to Reference Price A, exercise automatically into the Underlying Futures Contract with a contract price equal to the Strike Price.

Options which are "out of the money", expire automatically.

Reference Price A: NATURAL GAS-NYMEX

- a) **Description:** "NATURAL GAS-NYMEX" means that the price for a Pricing Date will be that day's Specified Price per MMBtu of natural gas on the NYMEX of the Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in U.S. Dollars, as made public by the NYMEX on that Pricing Date.

- b) **Pricing Date:** One Business Day prior to the last scheduled trading day of the NYMEX Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures Contract for the Delivery Date
- c) **Specified Price:** Settlement price
- d) **Pricing Calendar:** NYMEX
- e) **Delivery Date:** Contract Period

Strike Price Listing Provisions: A minimum of 10 Strike Prices in increments of \$0.25 per MMBtu above and below the at-the-money Strike Price. Strike Price boundaries are adjusted according to futures price movements. User-defined Strike Prices are allowed in \$0.0[0]1 increments.

Rule 4.02. Trade Practice Violations

In connection with the placement of any order or execution of any Transaction, it shall be a violation of the Rules for any Person to:

- (a) Manipulate, or attempt to manipulate, the price of any Commodity traded on the Exchange;
- (b) Corner, or attempt to corner, any Commodity traded on the Exchange;
- (c) Execute a wash sale, accommodation Trade, fictitious sale or prearranged Trade;
- (d) Commit fraudulent action on the Exchange;
- (e) Withhold or withdraw from the market any order or any part of an order for the convenience of another Person;
- (f) Prearrange the execution of transactions in Exchange products for the purpose of passing or transferring equity between accounts;
- (g) Engage in cross trading other than in accordance with the following procedures:
 - (1) Independently initiated orders on opposite sides of the market for different beneficial account owners that are immediately executable against each other may be entered without delay provided that the orders did not involve pre-execution communications as defined in subparagraph (m)(k) of this Rule.
 - (2) Orders on opposite sides of the market that are simultaneously placed for different beneficial accounts by a Person with discretion over both accounts must be entered into ETS as Crossing Order (“CO”) which contains both the buy and sell orders.
 - (3) An order that allows for price and/or time discretion, if not entered immediately upon receipt, may be knowingly entered opposite a second order received by the same intermediary only as part of a CO which contains both the buy and sell orders.
- (h) Engage in front running;
- (i) Disclose or divulge the buy or sell order of another Person except (1) in furtherance of executing the order, (2) at the request of an authorized representative of the CFTC or (3) pursuant to subparagraph (k) of this Rule regarding certain pre-execution communications.
- (j) knowingly enter, or cause to be entered, a Transaction in which the opposite side of a Customer order is executed for an account which is owned or controlled, or in which an ownership interest is held, by an intermediary handling the Customer order, or for the proprietary account of the employer of such an intermediary, without submitting to ETS a Crossing Order (“CO”) consisting of both the Customer order and the order for such other account, provided, however, that any Transaction that is consummated without the knowledge of the intermediary shall not be considered to have violated this Rule.

(k) Engage in pre-execution communications, except in accordance with the following procedures:

(1) For the purposes of this Chapter, pre-execution communications shall mean communications between two (2) market participants for the purpose of discerning interest in the execution of a Transaction prior to the terms of an order being entered on the ETS and visible to all market participants on the electronic trading screen.

(2) A market participant may engage in pre-execution communications with regard to Transactions executed on ETS where a market participant wishes to be assured that another market participant will take the opposite side of an order under the following circumstances:

(A) If a Customer order is involved, the Customer has previously consented to such communications being made on its behalf;

(B) A party to pre-execution communications shall not disclose the details of such communications to any Person who is not a party to the communications;

(C) A party to pre-execution communications shall not enter an order to take advantage of information conveyed during such communications, except in accordance with this Rule;

(D) Each order that results from pre-execution communications must be executed by entry into ETS of a CO consisting of both the buy and sell orders, and

(E) Once the terms of a CO have been agreed to, the parties may not delay entry of the CO and may not enter a Request for Quote (“RFQ”) until the CO is transacted.
