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Re: Revisions to the ICC End-of-Day Price Discovery Policies and Procedures Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission Regulation 40.6(a)

VIA E-MAIL Mr. Christopher Kirkpatrick Secretary Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20581

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

ICE Clear Credit LLC ("ICC") hereby submits, pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act and Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") Regulation 40.6(a), a self-certification of revisions to the ICC End-of-Day Price Discovery Policies and Procedures ("EOD Pricing Policy") to remove the ability for Clearing Participants to submit end-of-day submissions for Single Name instruments in terms of spread and associated recovery rate. ICC is registered with the Commission as a derivatives clearing organization ("DCO"). ICC intends to make the EOD Pricing Policy revisions effective no sooner than the tenth business day following the filing of this submission with the Commission at its Washington, D.C. headquarters and with its Chicago regional office.

The proposed revisions to ICC's EOD Pricing Policy are intended to remove the ability for Clearing Participants to submit end-of-day submissions for Single Name instruments in terms of spread and associated recovery rate. This submission includes a description of the ICC EOD Pricing Policy revisions. Certification of the revisions to the ICC EOD Pricing Policy pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Act and Commission Regulation 40.6(a) is also provided below.

ICC requires all Clearing Participants to provide end-of-day submissions for specific instruments related to their cleared open interest. ICC uses these submissions as inputs to its price discovery algorithm, which determines end-of-day levels.

Despite the fact that ICC computes margin and guaranty fund requirements, and all other money movements, in price terms, it currently supports Clearing Participant submissions in terms of price (or the equivalent points upfront), or spread and associated recovery rate. The first step in the price discovery algorithm for Single Name instruments is to convert any submissions in terms of spread and associated recovery rate to the equivalent submission in price terms using the ISDA standard model.

ICC is revising its End-of-Day Price Discovery Policies and Procedures to remove the ability for Clearing Participants to provide end-of-day submissions for Single Name instruments in terms of spread and associated recovery rate. Rather, ICC will require price (or the equivalent points upfront) submissions for all Single Name instruments. This change will result in the elimination of the use of the ISDA standard model to determine end-of-day prices for Single Name instruments. ICC also clarified language regarding its determination of implied recovery rates. There are no changes to ICC's Clearing Rules as a result of these enhancements.

Core Principle Review:

ICC reviewed the DCO core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act. During this review, ICC identified the following Core Principles as being impacted:

Settlement Procedures: The revisions to the ICC EOD Pricing Policy are consistent with the settlement procedures requirements of Core Principle E as pricing is an integral component of ICC's settlement procedures and the revisions enhance ICC's price discovery process.

Risk Management: The revisions to the ICC EOD Pricing Policy are consistent with the risk management requirements of Core Principle D.

Amended Rules:

The proposed change consists of revisions to ICC's EOD Pricing Policy to remove the ability for Clearing Participants to submit end-of-day submissions for Single Name instruments in terms of spread and associated recovery rate. ICC has respectfully requested confidential treatment for the ICC EOD Pricing Policy which was submitted concurrently with this self-certification submission.

Certifications:

ICC hereby certifies that the revisions to the ICC EOD Pricing Policy comply with the Act and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to the revisions.

ICC further certifies that, concurrent with this filing, a copy of the submission was posted on ICC's website, and may be accessed at: <u>https://www.theice.com/clear-credit/regulation</u>

ICC would be pleased to respond to any questions the Commission or the staff may have regarding this submission. Please direct any questions or requests for information to the attention of the undersigned at (312) 836-6883.

Sincerely,

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