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Certification	\$ 40.6(a)
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Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change	§ 40.10(a)
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Certification	§ 40.2(a)
Certification Security Futures	§ 41.23(a)
Certification Swap Class	§ 40.2(d)
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Approval Security Futures	§ 41.23(b)
Novel Derivative Product Notification	§ 40.12(a)
Swap Submission	§ 39.5
Official Product Name:	
Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)	
Certification	§ 40.6(a)
Certification Made Available to Trade Determination	§ 40.6(a)
Certification Security Futures	§ 41.24(a)
Delisting (No Open Interest)	§ 40.6(a)
Approval	§ 40.5(a)
Approval Made Available to Trade Determination	§ 40.5(a)
Approval Security Futures	§ 41.24(c)
Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products	§ 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
"Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change"	§ 40.4(b)(5)
Notification	§ 40.6(d)
Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:	
Rule Numbers:	



October 16, 2020

### **VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

Division of Market Oversight Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

RE: Modifications to the NEX SEF African <u>& Middle East</u> NDFs Market Maker Program

**NEX SEF Submission No. 20-455** 

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA") and Section 40.6(a) of the regulations of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission"), NEX SEF Limited ("NEX SEF") hereby notifies the Commission of modifications to NEX SEF's African & Middle East NDFs Market Maker Program ("Program"). The modifications to the Program will be effective on November 1, 2020.

The modified Program is set forth in Appendix A below, with additions <u>underlined</u> and deletions <del>overstruck</del>. A clean version of the modified Program is set forth in Appendix B below. A request for confidential treatment of the Program is being simultaneously submitted to the Commission and a copy of that request for confidential treatment is included with this submission.

NEX SEF has reviewed the swap execution facility core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the CEA and has determined that the Program complies with the requirements of impartial access in Core Principle 2 and Commission Regulation 37.202 because all fees and any discounts will be applied in an impartial, fair, and non-discriminatory manner, and the Program will be made transparent to all participants. In compliance with Core Principle 2 and Commission Regulation 37.200, the Program does not incentivize manipulative trading or market abuse or impact NEX SEF's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the Act, and Market Regulation staff will continue to monitor trading to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. The Program also complies with the requirements for monitoring and trade processing in Core Principle 4 and Commission Regulation 37.401, and the recordkeeping and reporting requirements in Core Principle 10 and Commission Regulations 37.1000 and 37.1001. NEX SEF has implemented systems to track Program participants' transactions to ensure proper fee discounts are applied.

NEX SEF certifies that the revised Program complies with the requirements of the CEA and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

NEX SEF certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on its website at <a href="http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html">http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html</a>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please contact the undersigned at 212-521-4609 or via email at <a href="Mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com">CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</a>.

Sincerely,

/s/ Nirup Ramalingam Chief Operating Officer

Attachments: Appendix A – Program (blacklined) (Confidential Treatment Requested)

Appendix B – Program (clean) (Confidential Treatment Requested)

# **APPENDIX A**

## **CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT REQUESTED**

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# **APPENDIX B**

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