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Submission No. 17-265
December 20, 2017

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: Amendments to Block Trade Procedures - Establishment of Block Trade
Minimums for New JPM LNG (Platts) Future - Submission Pursuant to Section
5c(c)(1) of the Act and Regulation 40.6**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Pursuant to Section 5c(c)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, and Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“Commission”) Regulation 40.6(a), ICE Futures U.S., Inc. (“IFUS” or “Exchange”) self certifies an amendment to the Exchange’s Block Trading Procedures (the “Procedures”), which is reflected in the Exchange’s Block Trade FAQ (“FAQ”), as set forth in Exhibit A. The Exchange is amending the FAQ to establish minimum the block trade quantity for the new JPM LNG (Platts) Future being listed by the Exchange (see ICE futures U.S. Submission No. 17-224). The Exchange is setting the minimum block trade quantity for the new product at 5 contracts. The Exchange believes the minimum block size for the new product is set at a level representing a quantity that would, if entered into the central limit order book, incur substantial price concessions.

The Exchange is not aware of any opposing views and certifies that the amendment to the FAQ, which will become effective on January 5, 2017, complies with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. Specifically, the amendment complies with Core Principle 9, which allows designated contract markets (“DCM”) to authorize transactions, such as block trades, that are executed away from the DCM’s centralized marketplace. The

Exchange further certifies that, concurrent with this filing, a notice of pending certification was posted on the Exchange's website as well as a copy of this submission, which may be accessed at (<https://www.theice.com/futures-us/regulation#Rule-Filings>).

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". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jason V. Fusco
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cc: Division of Market Oversight

EXHIBIT A

**ICE FUTURES U.S.
BLOCK TRADE - FAQs**

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2. **What are the eligible contracts and the minimum threshold quantities for a block trade?**

The minimum quantity requirements for block trades of eligible Oil and Energy futures and options contracts can be found under the “Energy Forms” tab at the link below:

Contract Name	Commodity Code	Contract Size	Unit of Trading	Block MQR (in Lots)
<u>JKM LNG (Platts) Future</u>	<u>JKM</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>MMBtu</u>	<u>5</u>