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February 2, 2015

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick Office of the Secretariat Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20581

Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding the Delisting of Two (2) Brent Crude Oil CFD Futures Contracts. NYMEX Submission No. 15-039

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying the delisting of two (2) Brent Crude Oil CFD futures contracts effective immediately, as set out in the table below:

Product Name	Commodity Code	NYMEX Rulebook Chapter Number
Brent CFD: Dated Brent (Platts) vs. Brent Front Month (Platts) Daily Futures	1C	319
Brent CFD: Dated Brent (Platts) vs. Brent Front Month (Platts) Weekly Futures	CFA	1144

These contracts will be delisted from CME Globex, CME ClearPort and Open Outcry, the venues on which they were listed. There is no open interest in these contracts.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("Act" or "CEA"). During the review, Exchange staff identified that the delisting may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- <u>Emergency Authority</u>: There is no open interest in these contracts, and therefore, there will be no market disruption related to the delisting.
- <u>Availability of General Information</u>: Notice will be made of the contracts' delisting, and upon delisting, the terms and conditions of these contracts will no longer be available to the marketplace.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and CFTC Regulation 40.6(a), the Exchange hereby certifies that the delisting of these products complies with the Act, including regulations under the Act. There were no substantive opposing views to this proposal.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange's website at http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200 or <u>CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/Christopher Bowen Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachments: Appendix A – NYMEX Rulebook Amendments (blackline format) Appendix B – Amendments to NYMEX Position Limit Table (attached under separate cover)

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Appendix A

NYMEX Rulebook

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Chapter 319 Brent CFD: Dated Brent (Platts) vs. Brent Front Month (Platts) Daily Futures

319.01 SCOPE The provisions of these rules shall apply to all contracts bought or sold on the Exchange for cash settlement based on the Floating Price. 319.02 FLOATING PRICE The Floating Price for each contract is the daily mid-point between the high and low guotations from the Platts Crude Oil Marketwire for the CFD assessment which is based on Dated Brent minus the first month Brent (also referred to BFOE) cash price for the contract day. 319.03 CONTRACT QUANTITY AND VALUE The contract quantity shall be 1,000 U.S. barrels. Each contract shall be valued as the contract quantity (1,000) multiplied by the settlement price. 319.04 CONTRACT DAYS Trading shall be conducted in contracts in such duration as shall be determined by the Exchange. 319.05 PRICES AND FLUCTUATIONS Prices shall be quoted in U.S. dollars and cents per barrel. The minimum price fluctuation shall be \$0.001 per barrel. There shall be no maximum price fluctuation. 319.06 **TERMINATION OF TRADING** Trading shall cease at the close of the business day of the daily contract. 319.07 FINAL SETTLEMENT Delivery under the contract shall be by cash settlement. Final settlement will be based on the Floating Price. The final settlement price will be the Floating Price calculated for each contract. EXCHANGE OF FUTURES FOR RELATED POSITION TRANSACTIONS 319.08 Any Exchange of Futures for Related Position (EFRP) transactions shall be governed by the provisions of Exchange Rule 538. 319.09 DISCLAIMER Platts, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("Platts"), licenses the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX") to use various Platts' price assessments in connection with the trading of the contract. NEITHER NYMEX AND ITS AFFILIATES NOR PLATTS GUARANTEES THE ACCURACY AND/OR COMPLETENESS OF THE ASSESSMENT OR ANY OF THE DATA INCLUDED THEREIN. NYMEX AND ITS AFFILIATES AND PLATTS MAKE NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE RESULTS TO BE OBTAINED BY ANY PERSON OR ENTITY FROM USE OF THE ASSESSMENT, TRADING BASED ON THE ASSESSMENT, OR ANY DATA INCLUDED THEREIN IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRADING OF THE CONTRACT, OR, FOR ANY OTHER USE. NYMEX AND ITS AFFILIATES AND PLATTS MAKE NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AND HEREBY DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSESSMENT OR ANY DATA INCLUDED THEREIN. WITHOUT LIMITING ANY OF THE FOREGOING. IN NO EVENT SHALL NYMEX AND ITS AFFILIATES OR PLATTS HAVE ANY

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Chapter 1144

Brent CFD: Dated Brent (Platts) vs. Brent Front Month (Platts) Weekly Futures

1144100. SCOPE OF CHAPTER

The provisions of these rules shall apply to all futures contracts bought or sold on the Exchange for cash settlement based on the Floating Price. The procedures for trading, clearing and cash settlement of this contract, and any other matters not specifically covered herein shall be governed by the general rules of the Exchange.

1144101. CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

The Floating Price for each contract is the arithmetic average of the mid-point between the high and low quotations from Platts Crude Oil Marketwire for Dated Brent minus the arithmetic average midpoint between the high and low quotations from Platts Crude Oil Marketwire for the first month Brent cash price, for each business day that both prices are determined during the specified contract week.

- The Floating Price reflects data published during a specified calendar week, from Monday to Friday inclusive.
 - The same calendar month reference shall be used for all days of the week, and shall be determined as the calendar month which is one month later than the calendar month in which the Monday of the contract week falls.

The Floating Price is calculated using the common pricing convention. In calculating the spread differential, the monthly average for each component leg of the spread shall be calculated by using only the common trading days in the month between the two component legs, followed by the calculation of the spread differential between the two averages.

1144102. TRADING SPECIFICATIONS The number of weeks open for trading at a given time shall be determined by the Exchange. 1144102.A. Trading Schedule The hours of trading for this contract shall be determined by the Exchange. 1144102.B. Trading Unit The contract quantity shall be 1,000 U.S. barrels. Each contract shall be valued as the contract quantity (1,000) multiplied by the settlement price. 1144102.C. Price Increments Prices shall be guoted in U.S. dollars and cents per barrel. The minimum price fluctuation shall be \$0.001 per barrel. 1144102.D. Position Limits and Position Accountability In accordance with Rule 559, no person shall own or control positions in excess of 2,000 contracts net long or net short in the spot month. In accordance with Rule 560: 1. the all-months accountability level shall be 5,000 contracts net long or net short in all months combined; 2. the any-one month accountability level shall be 5,000 contracts net long or net short in any single contract month excluding the spot month. Refer to Rule 559 for requirements concerning the aggregation of positions and allowable exemptions from the specified position limits. 1144102.E. Termination of Trading The contract shall terminate at the close of trading on Friday of the contract week. If such Friday is a UK holiday, the contract will terminate on the UK business day immediately prior to the last Friday of the contract month unless such day is not an Exchange business day, in which case the contract shall terminate on the Exchange business day immediately prior.

1144103. FINAL SETTLEMENT

Final settlement under the contract shall be by cash settlement. Final settlement, following termination of trading for a contract day, will be based on the Floating Price. The final settlement price will be the Floating Price calculated for each contract day.

1144104. DISCLAIMER

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Appendix B

Amendments to NYMEX Position Limit Table

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