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Organization: New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. ("NYMEX")

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Organization Rules and Rule Amendments

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Notification § 40.6(d)
- Advance Notice of SIDCO Rule Change § 40.10(a)
- SIDCO Emergency Rule Change § 40.10(h)

Rule Numbers:

New Product

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- Certification § 40.2(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
- Certification Swap Class § 40.2(d)
- Approval § 40.3(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

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: See filing.

Rule Numbers: See filing.

February 23, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL

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

**Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification. Notification Regarding the Expansion of the Listing Schedule of the CPC Blend CIF Med Cargoes (Platts) vs. Dated Brent (Platts) Futures Contract.
NYMEX Submission No. 18-050**

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 expansion of the listing schedule of the CPC Blend CIF Med Cargoes (Platts) vs. Dated Brent (Platts) Futures contract (the “Contract”) for trading on the CME Globex electronic trading platform and for submission for clearing via CME ClearPort, effective Sunday, March 11, 2018 for trade date Monday, March 12, 2018, as more specifically described in the table below.

Contract Title	CME Globex and CME ClearPort Code	NYMEX Rulebook Chapter Number	Current Listing Schedule	Listing Schedule Effective on Trade Date 3/12/18
CPC Blend CIF Med Cargoes (Platts) vs. Dated Brent (Platts) Futures	CPD	228	Monthly contracts listed for six (6) consecutive months. Add a new contract month after the nearby expiry.	Monthly contracts shall be listed for twelve (12) consecutive months. Add a new contract month after the nearby expiry.

The Exchange reviewed the designated contracts market core principles (“Core Principles”) as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”) and identified that the amendments may have some bearing on the following Core Principles:

- **Availability of General Information:** The Exchange will publish information on the Contract’s specifications on its website, together with daily trading volume, open interest and price information.
- **Daily Publication of Trading Information:** The Exchange will publish information on the Contract’s specifications on its website, together with daily trading volume, open interest and price information.

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

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

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please e-mail

CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com or contact the undersigned at (212) 299-2200

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel