

November 22, 2019

**VIA PORTAL**

Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Attention: Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21<sup>st</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20581

**Re: CFTC Regulation 40.6(a) Certification: Submission of Amendments to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Nodal Exchange, LLC ("Nodal Exchange" or "Exchange") is notifying the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") that it is self-certifying amendments to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook ("Rules") pursuant to Commission Regulation 40.6(a). The Exchange is amending Section 6.5 *Position Limits*. The Exchange intends to implement the amended Rules in 10 business days on December 9, 2019. The Rules are being revised to reflect the addition of a risk management exemption from position limits equivalent to the risk management exemption found on other exchanges.

Exchange management has assessed the amendments to the Rules, and their compliance with applicable provisions of the Act, including the Commissions Regulations and the Core Principles. Nodal Exchange has identified that the amendments may affect the following Core Principles as follows:

**Core Principle 2 - Compliance with the Rules:** The amendments to the Rules provide clarity and consistency with the Act for compliance with the Rules.

**Core Principle 3 - Contracts not Readily Susceptible to Manipulation:** Nodal has previously provided a description of the underlying cash markets for the Exchange's contracts, which demonstrates compliance that the Exchange's contracts are not readily susceptible to manipulation.

**Core Principle 4 - Prevention of Market Disruption:** All activity performed on Nodal is subject to the Nodal Exchange Rulebook Section VI, which prohibits disruptive trading behavior and manipulation, subject to monitoring and surveillance by the Exchange's Division of Market Surveillance.

Core Principle 7 – Availability of General Information: The amendments to the Rules provide clarity to Exchange Participants. The amended Rules are available to market authorities, Participants, Authorized Brokers and the public on the Exchange website.

Core Principle 8 - Daily publication of Trading Information: The Exchange will publish daily information on settlement prices, volume, open interest and opening and closing ranges for the Exchange's actively traded contracts on its website.

Core Principle 12 - Protection of Markets and Market Participants: Section VI of the Nodal Exchange Rulebook protects the market and market participants from abusive, disruptive, fraudulent, noncompetitive and unfair conduct and trade practices.

Core Principle 13 - Disciplinary Procedures: Section VII of the Nodal Exchange Rulebook describes the disciplinary procedures of the Exchange that authorize the Exchange to discipline, suspend, or expel anyone on the Exchange that violates these rules.

Pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Act and the Commission's Regulation 40.6, the Exchange certifies that amended Rules comply with the Act and the Commission's Regulations thereunder. There have not been any opposing views expressed regarding the amendments to the Rules.

Nodal Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Nodal Exchange website at [www.nodalexchange.com](http://www.nodalexchange.com).

If you have any question or need additional information regarding this submission, please contact me at 703-962-9853 or [Markotic@nodalexchange.com](mailto:Markotic@nodalexchange.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ Max Markotic

Director of Compliance

Attachment:

Redline of Nodal Exchange Rulebook Section 6.5