SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-79821; File No. SR-ICC-2016-014)

January 18, 2017

Self-Regulatory Organizations; ICE Clear Credit LLC; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change to Provide for the Clearance of Additional Credit Default Swap Contracts

On November 18, 2016, ICE Clear Credit LLC ("ICC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to provide for the clearance of additional credit default swap contracts. (File No. SR-ICC-2016-014). The proposed rule change was published for comment in the <u>Federal Register</u> on December 7, 2016.³ To date, the Commission has not received comments on the proposed rule change.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁴ provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

Securities Exchange Act Release No. 79439 (Dec. 1, 2016), 81 FR 88291 (Dec. 7, 2016) (SR-ICC-2016-014).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

change should be disapproved. The 45th day from the publication of notice of filing of this proposed rule change is January 20, 2017.

The Commission is extending the 45-day time period for Commission action on the proposed rule change. ICC's proposes to revise the ICC Rulebook (the "Rules") to provide for the clearance of Standard Australian Corporate Single Name CDS contracts (collectively, "STAC Contracts") and Standard Australian Financial Corporate Single Name CDS contracts (collectively, "STAFC Contracts"). The Commission finds it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider ICC's proposed rule change.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)⁵ of the Act, designates February 24, 2017, as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR-ICC-2016-014).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁶

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⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).