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CFTC Requests Comment on the Listing of Compute Derivatives Contracts

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WASHINGTON — The Commodity Futures Trading Commission today issued a request for comment to better inform its understanding and oversight of derivatives markets in compute.

“America cannot win the AI race without a robust derivatives market for compute,” Chairman Michael S. Selig said. “Just as American markets helped establish the gold standard for trading the commodities that powered the industrial economy, we will do the same for the commodity that will power the intelligence economy. This request for comment is the first step toward establishing clear rules of the road for American compute markets.”

This request seeks comment on the size, liquidity, and other considerations with respect to compute cash markets, market oversight and manipulation concerns, customer protection, and perpetual compute futures. The request also welcomes comment on all aspects of the compute markets.

Comments will be accepted for 60 days following publication in the Federal Register.

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