SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Reduction of the Customer Transaction Fee for OEX and XEO Weeklys Options.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1), notice is hereby given that on January 29, 2010, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" or the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by CBOE. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" or "Exchange") proposes to amend its Fees Schedule to reduce the transaction fee for short term options series ("Weeklys") in options on the S&P 100 Index American-style options (OEX) and S&P 100 Index European-style options (XEO). The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website (http://www.cboe.org/legal), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary and at the Commission.

II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, CBOE included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. CBOE has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory</u> <u>Basis for, Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) <u>Purpose</u>

Weeklys are listed index and equity options that match all other terms of standard options except they are listed for trading for only one week and expire on Fridays other than the third Friday of a month. ¹ Currently, the Exchange charges public customers ("C" origin code) a transaction fee of \$.40 per contract in standard and Weeklys options in OEX and XEO. To attract additional customer order flow in OEX and XEO Weeklys options, the Exchange proposes to reduce the transaction fee applicable to these products from \$.40 per contract to \$.30 per contract effective February 1, 2010.

(b) Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")², in general, and furthers the objectives of

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See Exchange Act Release No. 59824 (April 27, 2009), 74 FR 20518 (May 4, 2009) (permanent approval of Short Term Options Series Pilot Program). CBOE currently offers four Weeklys classes: OEX, XEO, S&P 500 Index (SPX) and Mini-S&P 500 Index (XSP).

² 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

Section 6(b)(4)³ of the Act in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities. The proposed reduction in the customer transaction fee for OEX and XEO Weeklys options should attract additional order flow to the Exchange in these products.

B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u> CBOE does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of purposes of the Act.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change Received from Members, Participants or Others</u>

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁴ and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4⁵ thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

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³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic comments:

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-CBOE-2010-011 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2010-011. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00

a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying

at the principal office of CBOE. All comments received will be posted without change;

the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You

should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All

submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2010-011 and should be submitted

on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

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

authority.6

Florence E. Harmon Deputy Secretary

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17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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