# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-63160; File No. SR-CBOE-2010-093)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to modify the Fee Schedule for the CBOE Stock Exchange

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on October 15, 2010, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated (the "Exchange" or "CBOE") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. 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>

CBOE proposes to amend the Fee Schedule of the CBOE Stock Exchange ("CBSX") to modify certain transaction fees. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website (<a href="http://www.cboe.org/legal">http://www.cboe.org/legal</a>), at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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, the self-regulatory organization 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 those statements may

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

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

## 1. <u>Purpose</u>

On August 23, 2010, the Commission published an immediately effective rule filing to modify the transaction fees for 24 securities traded on CBSX (the following symbols: BAC, C, DXD, EMC, EWJ, F, FAX, FAZ, GE, INTC, MOT, MSFT, MU, NOK, Q, QID, S, SIRI, SKF, T, TWM, UNG, UWM, XLF). On September 9, 2010, the Commission published an immediately effective rule filing to modify the transaction fees for 51 more securities traded on CBSX (the following symbols: AA, AMAT, AMD, BGZ, BP, BSX, CMCSA, COCO, CSCO, CX, DELL, DUK, EBAY, EEM, EWT, FAS, FLEX, HBAN, IYR, MDT, MGM, IYR, MDT, MGM, NLY, NVDA, NWSA, ORCL, PFE, QCOM, QQQQ, SBUX, SH, SLV, SMH, SSO, SYMC, TBT, TSM, TXN, UCO, USO, VALE, VWO, WFC, XHB, XLB, XLK, XLP, XLU, XLV, XLY, XRX, YHOO). On September 28, 2010, the Commission published an immediately effective rule filing to modify the transaction fees for 51 more securities traded on CBSX (the following symbols: ARNA, ATML, BKC, BRCD, CIM, DOW, DRYS, EFA, EWZ, FITB, FXI, GBG, GDX, GLD, GLW, HPQ, IDIX, IWM, JPM, KEY, LVLT, LVS, MFE, MO,

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 34-62758 (August 23, 2010), 75 FR
 52792 (August 27, 2010) (SR-CBOE-2010-075).

 <sup>&</sup>lt;u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 34-62878 (September 9, 2010), 75 FR 56627 (September 16, 2010) (SR-CBOE-2010-079).

MRVL, ONNN, PBR, PCBC, QLD, RF, RFMD, RIMM, RRI, RSCR, SDS, SNDK, SPLS, SPY, TEVA, TLT, TNA, TZA, UYG, VXX, VZ, X, XLE, XLI, XOM, XRT).<sup>5</sup>

CBSX now proposes to modify its transaction fees so that all securities are subject to the Maker and Taker fees and rebates to which the aforementioned securities became subject. The Taker rebate shall be \$0.0014 per share for transactions in all securities traded on CBSX that are priced \$1 or greater. The Maker fee shall be \$0.0018 per share for transactions in all securities traded on CBSX that are priced \$1 or greater.

Additionally, CBSX proposes to modify the Maker and Taker fees and rebates for transactions in securities priced less than \$1. The Taker fee for such transactions shall be 0.05% of the dollar value of the transaction. The Maker rebate for such transaction shall be 0.01% of the dollar value of the transaction.

Consistent with the new fees set forth above, CBSX also proposes to amend the fee and rebate for NBBO Step-Up Trades. For stocks priced \$1 and over, the order that is flashed will receive a \$0.0014 per share rebate and the responder will be charged \$0.0018 per share. For stocks priced under \$1, the maker/taker fees will correspond to those in place for non-flashed executions (i.e., the Taker fee for such transactions shall be 0.05% of the dollar value of the transaction, and the Maker rebate for such transaction shall be 0.01% of the dollar value of the transaction).

The fee changes will become effective on October 18, 2010.

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 <sup>&</sup>lt;u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 34-63000 (September 28, 2010), 75 FR 61549 (October 5, 2010) (SR-CBOE-2010-089).

# 2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)<sup>7</sup> of the Act in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among CBOE members and other persons using its facilities.

- 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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the 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 proposed rule change is designated by the Exchange as establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge, thereby qualifying for effectiveness on filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii)<sup>8</sup> of the Act and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4<sup>9</sup> thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 17 C.F.R. 240.19b-4(f)(2).

protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

## 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-2010-093 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 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2010-093. 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 (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>). 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 website 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 the 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-2010-093 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.  $^{10}$ 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).