SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-85034; File No. SR-CHX-2019-01)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend the Date of the Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Exchange and the Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Exchange's Parent CHX Holdings, Inc.

Pursuant to Section $19(b)(1)^1$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")² and

Rule 19b-4 thereunder,³ notice is hereby given that, on January 28, 2019, the Chicago Stock

Exchange, Inc. ("CHX" or "Exchange") 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 self-regulatory organization. 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 the Substance of the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend the date of the Amended [sic] and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Exchange ("Exchange Certificate") and the Second [sic] Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Exchange's parent CHX Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings" and, such certificate, the "Holdings Certificate"). The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at <u>www.nyse.com</u>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

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 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 Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend the date of the Exchange Certificate and the Holdings Certificate.

On October 18, 2018, the Exchange filed proposed amendments to the Exchange Certificate, Holdings Certificate, other governing documents, the Exchange rules and its fee schedule, to (1) reflect a name change of the Exchange to "NYSE Chicago, Inc." and a name change of Holdings to "NYSE Holdings, Inc."; (2) harmonize certain provisions thereunder with similar provisions in the governing documents of the national securities exchange affiliates of the Exchange and its parent companies; and (3) make clarifying and updating changes.⁴ The Exchange proposed that the name changes and other changes described therein would become operative upon the Exchange Certificate becoming effective pursuant to its filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.⁵

 <u>See</u> SR-CHX-2018-05 (October 18, 2018) (the "October Filing"), and Securities Exchange Release No. 84494 (October 26, 2018), 83 FR 54953 (November 1, 2018) (SR-CHX-2018-05).

⁵ <u>Id</u>., at 54953.

The proposed amendments to the Exchange Certificate and Holdings Certificate in the October Filing included updates to their respective dates.⁶ However, the proposed changes updated the Certificates' month and time, but left 2018 as the year. Because it is now 2019, the Exchange proposes the following changes:

- In the Exchange Certificate, amend the signature line to replace "2018" with "2019"; and
- In the Holdings Certificate, amend Article XIV (Effective Time) and the signature line to replace "2018" with "2019."

The proposed rule change is a non-substantive administrative change. The Exchange proposes that the changes and described herein would become operative upon the Exchange Certificate becoming effective pursuant to its filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Exchange Act⁷ in general, and with Section $6(b)(1)^8$ in particular, in that it enables the Exchange to be so organized as to have the capacity to be able to carry out the purposes of the Exchange Act and to comply, and to enforce compliance by its exchange members and persons associated with its exchange members, with the provisions of the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations thereunder, and the rules of the Exchange. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Exchange Act⁹ because the

⁶ October Filing, Exhibit 5A, at 125, and Exhibit 5C, at 152.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(1).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

proposed rule change would be consistent with and facilitate a governance and regulatory structure that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The proposed amendments are non-substantive changes that do not impact the governance or ownership of the Exchange. The Exchange believes that the proposed amendments would reduce potential investor and market participant confusion and therefore remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system by ensuring that the Exchange Certificate and Holdings Certificate accurately reflect the date they are signed and operative, ensuring that investors and market participants can more easily understand the Exchange Certificate and Holdings Certificate.

B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Exchange Act. The proposed rule change is not designed to address any competitive issue but rather is concerned solely with ensuring that the Exchange Certificate and Holdings Certificate accurately reflect the date they are signed and operative.

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

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

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III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁰ and Rule $19b-4(f)(3)^{11}$ thereunder in that the proposed rule change is concerned solely with the administration of the Exchange.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may suspend 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings under Section $19(b)(2)(B)^{12}$ of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

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 (<u>http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</u>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-CHX-2019-01 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(3).

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CHX-2019-01. 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 website (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 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 Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to

make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CHX-2019-01, and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹³

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¹³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).