

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. 34-94066; File No. SR-FICC-2021-009)

January 26, 2022

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on a Proposed Rule Change to Enhance Capital Requirements and Make Other Changes

On December 13, 2021, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation (“FICC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) proposed rule change SR-FICC-2021-009 (the “Proposed Rule Change”) pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>2</sup> The Proposed Rule Change was published for comment in the Federal Register on December 29, 2021,<sup>3</sup> and the Commission received no comment letters regarding the changes proposed in the Proposed Rule Change.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>4</sup> 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

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

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

<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 93857 (December 22, 2021), 86 Fed. Reg. 74130 (December 29, 2021) (File No. SR-FICC-2021-009).

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

change should be disapproved. The 45th day after publication of the notice for the Proposed Rule Change is February 12, 2022.

The Commission is extending the 45-day period for Commission action on the Proposed Rule Change. The Commission finds that 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 and take action on the Proposed Rule Change.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>5</sup> and for the reasons stated above, the Commission designates March 29, 2022 as the date by which the Commission shall either approve, disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove proposed rule change SR-FICC-2021-009.

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

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<sup>5</sup> Id.

<sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).