

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE MKT LLC; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change to Amend Commentary .04 to NYSE Amex Options Rule 903 to Permit the Exchange to List Additional Strike Prices Until the Close Of Trading on the Second Business Day Prior to Monthly Expiration in Unusual Market Conditions

On September 6, 2012, NYSE MKT LLC (the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend Commentary .04 to NYSE Amex Options Rule 903 to permit the Exchange to list additional strike prices until the close of trading on the second business day prior to monthly expiration in unusual market conditions. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on September 20, 2012.³ The Commission received no comment letters on the proposal.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁴ 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 change should be disapproved. The 45th day for this filing is November 4, 2012. The Commission is extending this 45-day time period.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67862 (September 14, 2012), 77 FR 58429.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider this proposed rule change, which would permit the Exchange to list additional strike prices until the close of trading on the second business day prior to monthly expiration in unusual market conditions.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁵ designates December 19, 2012 as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR-NYSEMKT-2012-41).

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

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⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).