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

Pursuant to Section 17(d)(1) of the Act¹⁴ and Rule 17d-2 thereunder,¹⁵ after May 9, 2007, the Commission may, by written notice, declare the plan submitted by CBOE and NASD, File No. 4-536, to be effective if the Commission finds that the plan is necessary or appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors, to foster cooperation and coordination among self-regulatory organizations, or to remove impediments to and foster the development of the national market system and a national system for the clearance and settlement of securities transactions and in conformity with the factors set forth in Section 17(d) of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

In order to assist the Commission in determining whether to approve proposed 17d-2 Plan and to relieve CBOE of the responsibilities which would be assigned to NASD, interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/other.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number 4-536 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Station Place, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number 4-536. 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/other.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed plan that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed plan 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of the plan also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of the CBOE and NASD. 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 4-536 and should be submitted on or before May 9, 2007.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁶

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-55619; File No. SR-Amex-2007-31]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto Relating to Transaction Charges for Equities, ETFs, and Nasdaq UTP Securities

April 12, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on March 30, 2007, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "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 substantially prepared by Amex. On April 10, 2007, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change. The Commission is publishing this notice, as amended, to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

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

The Exchange proposes to revise the equities, Exchange Traded Funds and Trust Issued Receipts ("ETFs"), and Nasdaq UTP Fee Schedules to eliminate

the five percent discount applied to each firm's total charges for customer orders in equities, ETFs, and Nasdaq UTP securities. The text of the proposed rule change is available on Amex's Web site at <http://www.amex.com>, at Amex, and in the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange 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. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in Sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange recently revised the transaction charges for its members and member organizations largely relating to the Exchange's new hybrid market trading platform (known as AEMI), the implementation of Regulation NMS, and changes in the competitive landscape for equities and ETFs.³ These new transaction charges became effective on February 22, 2007. As part of the new transaction charges, the Exchange provided that a five percent discount will be applied to each firm's total charges for customer orders in equities, ETFs, and Nasdaq UTP securities. The five percent discount does not apply to charges for specialists and registered traders. The Exchange is now proposing to eliminate the five percent discount in all product lines. The Exchange will eliminate the five percent discount effective April 1, 2007.

2. Statutory Basis

The proposed fee change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁴ regarding the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among exchange members and other persons using exchange facilities.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 55458 (March 13, 2007), 72 FR 13320 (March 21, 2007) (SR-Amex-2007-23).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78q(d)(1).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.17d-2.

¹⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(34).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants or Others

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

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

Because the foregoing rule change establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge applicable only to a member imposed by Amex, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁵ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder.⁶ 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.⁷

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 rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-Amex-2007-31 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Amex-2007-31. 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of Amex. 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-Amex-2007-31 and should be submitted on or before May 9, 2007.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Fixed Income Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of a Proposed Rule Change To Clarify the Government Securities Division Rules With Respect to Repo Collateral Substitution Requests

April 11, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on March 23, 2007, the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change described in Items I, II, and III below, which items have been prepared primarily by FICC. The

Commission is publishing this notice and order to solicit comments from interested parties and to grant accelerated approval of the proposal.

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

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to add a final deadline to the repo collateral substitution process of FICC's Government Securities Division ("GSD").

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

In its filing with the Commission, FICC 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. FICC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of these statements.²

(A) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

Currently, the GSD's rules provide that repo collateral substitution requests for which the notification itself or the information regarding new securities collateral is received after 12:30 p.m. will be processed by the GSD on a good faith basis only.³ FICC is proposing to impose a final deadline for this process after which FICC will not process a repo collateral substitution until the following business day. This final deadline will be 1 p.m. and will be extended by one hour on days that FICC or the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association ("SIFMA") determine are "high volume" days. In situations where FICC receives a notification or information regarding the new securities collateral information after the 1 p.m. deadline, the submitting member will be required to resubmit its substitution information on the following business day for processing.⁴ FICC will continue to process substitution requests when notification

² The Commission has modified the text of the summaries prepared by FICC.

³ All times referred to herein are New York times. This deadline is extended by one hour on "high volume" days as described in the GSD's rules.

⁴ In situations where FICC receives a notification but not the new securities collateral information before the 1 p.m. deadline, the submitting member will be required to resubmit its substitution information on the following business day for processing.

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

⁷ For purposes of calculating the 60-day period within which the Commission may summarily abrogate the proposed rule change under Section 19(b)(3)(C) of the Act, the Commission considers the period to commence on April 10, 2007, the date on which Amex filed Amendment No. 1. See 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(C).

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).