provisions of the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations thereunder, and the rules of the Exchange. The Exchange also believes that this filing furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Exchange Act because the rules summarized herein would create a governance and regulatory structure that is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.183 Among other things, the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of CBOE Holdings and CBOE are designed to protect and maintain the integrity of the SRO functions of CBOE, and to allow it to carry out its regulatory responsibilities under the Exchange Act.

In addition, the Exchange believes that this filing is consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(3) of the Exchange Act that the rules of the exchange assure a fair representation of its members in the selection of its directors and administration of its affairs and provide that one or more directors shall be representative of issuers and investors and not be associated with a member of the exchange, broker, or dealer.<sup>184</sup> As described above, the CBOE Bylaws provide a process for Trading Permit Holders to select members of the CBOE Board (i.e., Representative Directors). The CBOE Bylaws also require that a majority of directors on the CBOE Board be Non-Industry Directors.

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

CBOE 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 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

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the Exchange consents,<sup>185</sup> the Commission will:

(A) By order approve such proposed rule change, or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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 (*http://www.sec.gov/ rules/sro.shtml*); or

• Send an e-mail to *rulecomments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2008–88 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.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2008-88. 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, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 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–2008–88 and should be submitted on or before September 25, 2008.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>186</sup>

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Acting Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–58428; File No. SR–CBOE– 2008–86]

## Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Voluntary Professional Transaction Fees

August 27, 2008.

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 August 19, 2008, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" or the "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 prepared by the CBOE. The Commission is publishing this notice 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

CBOE is proposing to amend its fees schedule for certain non-broker-dealer orders. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site (*http://www.cboe.org/legal*), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary and at 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 CBOE included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the

<sup>183 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>184</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>185</sup> The Commission notes that the Exchange has consented to an extension of time for Commission consideration of the proposed rule change. *See* Item 6 of CBOE's Form 19b–4 submission.

<sup>186 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

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 CBOE 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 the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### 1. Purpose

On August 7, 2008, the Securities and Exchange Commission approved a proposed rule change by the CBOE to establish a Voluntary Professional <sup>3</sup> designation.<sup>4</sup> This designation permits non-broker-dealer customers to voluntarily have their orders categorized as broker-dealer orders for order handling, order execution, and cancel fee calculation purposes. In the aforementioned filing, the Exchange represented that it intends to establish, via a separate rule filing, a transaction fee applicable to Voluntary Professionals.

In accordance with that representation, the Exchange now proposes to amend its fees schedule to establish the transaction fees that would be applicable to Voluntary Professional orders. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to charge Voluntary Professional orders a \$0.20 per contract transaction fee in all equity options and options on indexes, exchange-traded funds and holding company depository receipts (except those listed below). The Exchange proposes a \$0.30 per contract transaction fee in XEO options, a \$0.40 per contract transaction fee in DXL options and all volatility index options, and a \$0.85 per contract transaction fee in credit default and credit default basket options.

As reflected in Exhibit 5, the Exchange proposes to amend footnote 14 (index option surcharge fee) to clarify that the Surcharge fee would apply to Voluntary Professionals.

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)<sup>6</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. The proposed fee change would enable the Exchange to implement the Voluntary Professional designation.

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

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

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

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposal.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charged imposed by the Exchange, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act <sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b–4(f)(2) <sup>8</sup> thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change the Commission may summarily abrogate such proposed 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.

#### **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 *rulecomments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2008–86 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. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–CBOE–2008–86. 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, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of 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-2008-86 and should be submitted on or before September 25, 2008.

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For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>9</sup>

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Acting Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–58432; File No. SR– NASDAQ–2008–062]

# Self-Regulatory Organizations; The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change To Clarify the Application of Nasdaq Rules When a Listed Company Combines With a Non-Nasdaq Entity

August 27, 2008.

#### I. Introduction

917 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

1 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

On July 10, 2008, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See CBOE Rule 1.1(fff).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58327 (August 7, 2008), 73 FR 47988 (August 15, 2008). <sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>7 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>17 CFR 19b–4(f)(2).