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 email to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2013–017 on the subject line.

## Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2013-017. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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 Web site 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; 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-2013–017, and should be submitted on or before March 7, 2013.

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

## Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–68885; File No. SR–BYX–2013–006]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BATS Y-Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Extend Pilot Program Related To Trading Pauses Due to Extraordinary Market Volatility

February 8, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") 1 and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,2 notice is hereby given that on January 30, 2013, BATS-Y Exchange, Inc. ("BYX" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal as a "noncontroversial" proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act 3 and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder,4 which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. 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

The Exchange is proposing to extend a pilot program previously approved by the Commission related to Rule 11.18, entitled "Trading Halts Due to Extraordinary Market Volatility."

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's Web site at *http://www.batstrading.com,* at the principal office of the Exchange, 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 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 parts of such statements.

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

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to extend the effectiveness of the Exchange's rule related to individual stock circuit breakers, which is contained in Rule 11.18(d) and Interpretation and Policy .05 to Rule 11.18. The rule, explained in further detail below, is currently operating as a pilot program set to expire on February 4, 2013.

On October 4, 2010, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to adopt various rule changes to bring BYX Rules up to date with the changes that had been made to the rules of BATS Exchange, Inc., the Exchange's affiliate, while BYX's Form 1 Application to register as a national securities exchange was pending approval. Such changes included changes to the Exchange's Rule 11.18, on a pilot basis, to provide for uniform market-wide trading pause standards for individual securities in the S&P 500® Index, the Russell 1000® Index and specified Exchange Traded Products that experience rapid price movement.5 More recently, the Exchange proposed expansion of the pilot program to apply to all NMS stocks.6 This expansion was approved on June 23, 2011.7 The pilot program relating to trading pause standards has been extended five times since its inception.8 The Exchange believes the benefits to market participants from the individual stock trading pause rule should be continued on a pilot basis until individual stocks become, on a

<sup>9 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

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

<sup>417</sup> CFR 240.196-4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63097 (October 13, 2010), 75 FR 64767 (October 20, 2010) (SR-BYX-2010-002).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64433 (May 6, 2011), 76 FR 27680 (May 12, 2011) (SR–BYX–2011–011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64735 (June 23, 2011), 76 FR 38243 (June 29, 2011) (File Nos. SR-BATS-2011-016; SR-BYX-2011-011; SR-BX-2011-025; SR-CBOE-2011-049; SR-CHX-2011-09; SR-EDGA-2011-15; SR-EDGX-2011-14; SR-FINRA-2011-023; SR-ISE-2011-028; SR-NA5DAQ-2011-067; SR-NYSE-2011-21; SR-NYSEAmex-2011-32; SR-NYSEArca-2011-26; SR-NSX-2011-06; SR-Phlx-2011-641.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63513 (December 9, 2010), 75 FR 78784 (December 16, 2010) (SR-BYX-2010-007); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64214 (April 6, 2011), 76 FR 20430 (April 12, 2011) (SR-BYX-2011-007); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 65082 (August 9, 2011), 76 FR 50800 (August 16, 2011) (SR-BYX-2011-018); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 66189 (January 19, 2012), 77 FR 3827 (January 25, 2012) (SR-BYX-2012-001); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67522 (July 27, 2012), 77 FR 46134 (August 2, 2012) (SR-BYX-2012-015).

rolling basis, subject to the Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility Pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS under the Act (the "Limit Up-Limit Down Plan" or "Plan").9

The Exchange, in conjunction with other national securities exchanges and FINRA, recently filed an amendment to the Plan to change the date of initial operations of the Plan from February 4, 2013 to April 8, 2013. The extension proposed herein would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan, which will occur on a rolling basis.

The Exchange proposes to extend the effective date of the pilot from the current scheduled expiration date of February 4, 2013 until February 4, 2014. The Exchange also proposes to modify the definition of "Circuit Breaker Securities" subject to the individual stock circuit breaker pilot to mean all NMS stocks other than NMS stocks subject to the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan. Accordingly, as securities become subject to the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan, they will no longer be Circuit Breaker Securities subject to the individual stock trading pause pilot.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder that are applicable to a national securities exchange, and, in particular, with the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act. 10 In particular, the proposal is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,11 because it would promote just and equitable principles of trade, remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system. The proposed rule change is also consistent with Section 11A(a)(1) of the Act 12 in that it seeks to assure fair competition among brokers and dealers and among exchange markets. The Exchange believes that the pilot program promotes just and equitable principles of trade in that it promotes transparency and uniformity across markets concerning decisions to pause trading in a security when there are significant price movements. The Exchange believes that the pilot program is working well, that it has been infrequently invoked during the previous months, and that the extension of the pilot will allow the

Exchange to further assess the effect of the pilot on the market until securities become subject to the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan on a rolling basis.

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

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 Act. The proposed changes are being made to extend the operation of the trading pause pilot to allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest. Other competing equity exchanges are subject to the same trading pause requirements specified in the Plan. Thus, the proposed changes will not impose any burden on competition while providing trading pause requirements specified in the Plan.

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

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

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

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act 13 and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder. 14 Because the proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) <sup>15</sup> normally does not

become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii),16 the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay so that the proposal may become operative immediately upon filing. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because such waiver would allow the pilot program to continue uninterrupted. Accordingly, the Commission hereby grants the Exchange's request and designates the proposal operative upon filing.17

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily 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.

# **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 email to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–BYX–2013–006 on the subject line.

## Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR–BYX–2013–006. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67091 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33498 (June 6, 2012) (the "Limit Up-Limit Down Release").

<sup>10 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>11 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>12 15</sup> U.S.C. 78k-1(a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

<sup>14 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires the Exchange to give the Commission written notice of the Exchange's intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

<sup>15 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-(f)(6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

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 Web site 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; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make publicly available. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BYX-2013-006 and should be submitted on or before March 7, 2013.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 18

#### Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–68877; File No. SR–EDGA–2013–07]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGA Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Amendments to the EDGA Exchange, Inc. Fee Schedule

February 8, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on January 31, 2013, EDGA Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGA") 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 self-regulatory organization. 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

The Exchange proposes to amend its fees and rebates applicable to Members <sup>3</sup> of the Exchange pursuant to EDGA Rule 15.1(a) and (c). All of the changes described herein are applicable to EDGA Members. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Internet Web site at www.directedge.com, at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Public Reference Room of the Commission.

# 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 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 these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization 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

The Exchange currently assesses a charge of \$0.0003 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag RY. The Exchange proposes to increase the rate it charges for Flag RY from \$0.0003 per share to \$0.0005 per share for Members' orders that route to the BATS Y-Exchange, Inc. ("BATS BYX") and add liquidity. This proposed change represents a pass through of the rate that Direct Edge ECN LLC (d/b/a DE Route) ("DE Route"), the Exchange's affiliated routing broker dealer, is charged for routing orders to BATS BYX that do not qualify for additional volume tiered discounts, as described in BATS BYX's fee filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.4

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its fee schedule on February 1, 2013.

# 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4),<sup>6</sup> in particular, as it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its Members and other persons using its facilities.

The Exchange's proposed fee increase for Flag RY represents a pass-through rate where BATS BYX charges DE Route \$0.0005 per share for Members' orders that route to BATS BYX through DE Route and add liquidity, and then DE Route charges the Exchange \$0.0005 per share, and then the Exchange charges its Members \$0.0005 per share. The Exchange's proposal represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among Members of the Exchange and other persons using its facilities because the Exchange does not levy additional fees or offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to BATS BYX through DE Route. Prior to BATS BYX's January 2013 fee filing, BATS BYX charged DE Route a fee of \$0.0003 per share for orders yielding Flag RY, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In BATS BYX's January 2013 fee filing, BATS BYX increased the rate it charges its customers, such as DE Route, from \$0.0003 per share to a charge of \$0.0005 per share for orders that are routed to BATS BYX and add liquidity. Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed change in Flag RY from a fee of \$0.0003 per share to a fee of \$0.0005 per share is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on BATS BYX. In addition, the proposal allows the Exchange to continue to charge its Members a pass-through rate for orders that are routed to BATS BYX and add liquidity using DE Route. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. Lastly, the Exchange also believes that the proposed amendment is non-discriminatory because it applies uniformly to all Members.

The Exchange also notes that it operates in a highly-competitive market in which market participants can readily direct order flow to competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive. The proposed rule change reflects a competitive pricing structure designed to incent market participants to direct their order flow to the Exchange. The

<sup>18 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As defined in Exchange Rule 1.5(n).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68665 (January 16, 2013), 78 FR 4946 (January 23, 2013) (SR-BYX-2013-001).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f.

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