business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the 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-2013-061 and should be submitted on or before July 12, 2013.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{16}$ 

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-69777; File No. SR-BATS-2013-033]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BATS Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Related to Fees for Use of BATS Exchange, Inc.

June 17, 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 June 4, 2013, BATS Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "BATS") 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 Exchange. The Exchange has designated the proposed rule change as one establishing or changing a member due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act 3 and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,4 which renders the proposed rule change 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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange filed a proposal to amend the fee schedule applicable to

Members <sup>5</sup> and non-members of the Exchange pursuant to BATS Rules 15.1(a) and (c). Changes to the fee schedule pursuant to this proposal are effective upon filing.

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's Web site at <a href="http://www.batstrading.com">http://www.batstrading.com</a>, 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 Exchange proposes to modify the "Equities Pricing" section of its fee schedule effective June 4, 2013, in order to modify pricing related to executions that occur on EDGA EXCHANGE, Inc. ("EDGA") through the Exchange's TRIM routing strategies.<sup>6</sup> EDGA implemented certain pricing changes effective June 3, 2013, including modification from a rebate of \$0.0004 per share when removing liquidity to a rebate of \$0.0003 per share when removing liquidity. To maintain a direct pass through of the applicable economics for executions at EDGA, the Exchange proposes to rebate \$0.0003 per share for an order routed through its TRIM routing strategies and executed on EDGA, rather than the rebate of \$0.0004 per share that it currently offers for such orders.

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change 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 of the Act.<sup>7</sup> Specifically, the Exchange believes that

the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act,8 in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among members and other persons using any facility or system which the Exchange operates or controls. The Exchange 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 Exchange believes that the proposed changes to certain of the Exchange's non-standard routing fees and strategies are equitably allocated, fair and reasonable, and non-discriminatory in that they are equally applicable to all Members and are designed to mirror the rebate applicable to the execution if such routed orders were executed directly by the Member at EDGA Exchange.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended. Because the market for order execution is extremely competitive, Members may readily opt to disfavor the Exchange's routing services if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. For orders routed through the Exchange and executed at EDGA Exchange, the proposed fee change is designed to equal the rebate that a Member would have received if such routed orders would have been executed directly by a Member at EDGA Exchange.

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 foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act <sup>9</sup> and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b–4 thereunder. <sup>10</sup> At any time within 60 days of the filing of the 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A Member is any registered broker or dealer that has been admitted to membership in the Exchange.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> As defined in BATS Rule 11.13(a)(3)(G).

<sup>7 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>8 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>9 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>10 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f).

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–BATS–2013–033 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-BATS-2013-033. 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-BATS-2013-033 and should be submitted on or before July 12, 2013.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>11</sup>

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–69772; File No. SR–OCC– 2013–04]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Options Clearing Corporation; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change To Change the Expiration Date For Most Option Contracts to the Third Friday of the Expiration Month Instead of the Saturday Following the Third Friday

June 17, 2013.

#### I. Introduction

On April 17, 2013 The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change SR-OCC-2013-04 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 May 6, 2013.3 The Commission received one comment in response to the proposed rule change, in which the commenter expressed support for the change.4 This order approves the proposed rule change.<sup>5</sup>

# II. Description of the Proposed Rule Change

#### Proposal

The primary purpose of the proposed rule change is to allow OCC to change the expiration date for most option contracts to the third Friday of the expiration month instead of the Saturday following the third Friday. Most option contracts ("Standard Expiration Contracts") currently expire

at the "expiration time" (11:59 p.m. Eastern Time) on the Saturday following the third Friday of the specified expiration month ("Expiration Date").<sup>6</sup>

The proposed change applies only to series of Standard Expiration Contracts opened for trading after the effective date of this proposed rule change and having Expiration Dates later than February 1, 2015. Option contracts having non-standard expiration dates ("Non-standard Expiration Contracts") are unaffected by this proposed rule change.

In order to provide a smooth transition to the Friday expiration, OCC intends to, beginning June 21, 2013, move the expiration exercise procedures to Friday for all Standard Expiration Contracts even though the contracts would continue to expire on Saturday.8 After February 1, 2015, virtually all Standard Expiration Contracts will expire on Friday. According to OCC, the only Standard Expiration Contracts that will expire on a Saturday after February 1, 2015 are certain options that were listed prior to the effectiveness of this rule change,9 and a limited number of options that may be listed prior to necessary systems changes of the options exchanges, which are expected to be completed in August 2013.<sup>10</sup> After the transition period and the expiration of all existing Saturday-expiring

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

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

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

 $<sup>^3\,\</sup>rm Securities$  Exchange Act Release No. 34–69480 (April 30, 2013), 78 FR 26413 (May 6, 2013).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Comment from John V. Bruzzese dated May 3, 2013 (stating that the change would be "beneficial for [the] option expiration process") (http://sec.gov/comments/sr-occ-2013-04/occ201304-1.htm).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> OCC also filed the proposed rule change as an advance notice under Section 806(e)(1) of Title VIII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank Act") entitled the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010 ("Clearing Supervision Act"). 12 U.S.C. 5465(e)(1); SR–OCC–2013–802.

 $<sup>^6</sup>$  See the definition of "expiration time" in Article I of OCC's By-Laws. According to OCC, the expiration time would continue to be 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the Expiration date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Examples of options with Non-standard Expiration Contracts include flex options and quarterly, monthly, and weekly options where the expiration exercise processing for such options presently occurs on a weekday.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>For contracts having a Saturday expiration date, exercise requests received after Friday expiration processing is complete but before the Saturday contract expiration time will continue to be processed so long as they are submitted in accordance with OCC's procedures governing such requests.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> According to OCC, certain option contracts have already been listed on exchanges with expiration dates as distant as December 2016. Such options have Saturday expiration dates and OCC cannot change the terms of existing option contracts. In addition, clearing members have expressed a clear preference not to have open interest in any particular month with different expiration dates. Therefore, OCC will designate certain expiration dates as "grandfathered," and any option contract that is listed, or may be listed in the future, that expires on a grandfathered date will have a Saturday expiration date even if such expiration date is after February 1, 2015. After OCC designates an expiration date as grandfathered, the exchanges have agreed not to permit the listing of, and OCC will not accept for clearance, any newly listed standard expiration option contract with a Friday expiration in the applicable month.

<sup>10</sup> The exchanges have agreed that once these systems changes are made they will not open for trading any new series of option contracts with Saturday expiration dates falling after February 1,