

action are no greater than those described in the EA for the rulemaking to add the HI-STORM 100, Amendment No. 10, cask system to 10 CFR 72.214.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The NRC staff has prepared an EA and associated FONSI in support of the proposed action. The NRC staff has concluded that the proposed action, for the NRC to grant the exemption requested for VYNPS, allowing the use of a new regionalized loading pattern as described in Figure 2.4-1 of the exemption request, and to load fuel that has been cooled for at least 2 years, and establishing a per-cell maximum average burnup limit at 65,000 MWD/MTU in a HI-STORM 100 MPC-68M, will not significantly impact the quality of the human environment, and that the proposed action is the preferred alternative. The environmental impacts are bounded by the previous NRC EA for the rulemaking to add the HI-STORM 100, Amendment No. 10, cask system to 10 CFR 72.214.

The NRC provided the Vermont Department of Health with a draft copy of the EA for a 30-day review on October 16, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17289A422).

The NRC staff has determined that this exemption would have no impact on historic and cultural resources or ecological resources and therefore no consultations are necessary under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, respectively.

Therefore, the NRC finds that there are no significant environmental impacts from the proposed action, and that preparation of an environmental impact statement is not warranted. Accordingly, the NRC has determined that a FONSI is appropriate.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of January, 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Meraj Rahimi,

*Acting Chief, Spent Fuel Licensing Branch,
Division of Spent Fuel Management, Office
of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Notice announcing updated penalty inflation adjustments for civil monetary penalties for 2018.

SUMMARY: As required by Section 701 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, entitled the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015, the Railroad Retirement Board (Board) hereby publishes its 2018 annual adjustment of civil penalties for inflation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marguerite P. Dadabo, Assistant General Counsel, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, IL 60611-2092, (312) 751-4945, TTD (312) 751-4701.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 701 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, Public Law 114-74 (Nov. 2, 2015), entitled the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 (the 2015 Act), amended the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990 (28 U.S.C. 2461 note) (Inflation Adjustment Act) to require agencies to publish regulations adjusting the amount of civil monetary penalties provided by law within the jurisdiction of the agency not later than July 1, 2016, and annual adjustments thereafter.

For the 2018 annual adjustment for inflation of the maximum civil penalty under the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, the Board applies the formula provided by the 2015 Act and the Board's regulations at title 20, Code of Federal Regulations, part 356. In accordance with the 2015 Act, the amount of the adjustment is based on the percent increase between the CPI-U for the month of October preceding the date of the adjustment and the CPI-U for the October one year prior to the October immediately preceding the date of the adjustment. If there is no increase, there is no adjustment of civil penalties. The percent increase between the CPI-U for October 2017 and October 2016, as provided by Office of Management and Budget Memorandum M-18-03 (December 15, 2017) is 1.02041 percent. Therefore, the new maximum penalty under the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act is \$11,181 (the 2017 maximum penalty of \$10,957 multiplied by 1.02041, rounded to the nearest dollar). The new minimum penalty under the False Claims Act is \$11,181 (the 2017 minimum penalty of \$10,957 multiplied by 1.02041, rounded to the nearest dollar), and the new maximum penalty is \$22,363 (the 2017 maximum penalty of \$21,916 multiplied by 1.02041, rounded to the nearest dollar). The adjustments in penalties will be effective January 23, 2018.

For The Board.

Dated: January 18, 2018.

Martha P. Rico,

Secretary to the Board.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

National Nanotechnology Initiative Meetings

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Nanotechnology Coordination Office (NNCO), on behalf of the Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology (NSET) Subcommittee of the Committee on Technology, National Science and Technology Council (NSTC), will facilitate stakeholder discussion of targeted nanotechnology topics through workshops, webinars, and Community of Interest meetings between the publication date of this Notice and December 31, 2018.

DATES: The NNCO will hold one or more workshops, webinars, networks, and Community of Interest teleconferences between the publication date of this Notice and December 31, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Attendance information, including addresses, will be posted on nano.gov. For information about upcoming workshops and webinars, please visit <http://www.nano.gov/meetings-workshops> and <http://www.nano.gov/PublicWebinars>. For more information on the Communities of Interest, please visit <http://www.nano.gov/Communities>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this Notice, please contact Marlowe Newman at info@nnco.nano.gov or (202) 517-1050 ext. 107.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These public meetings address the charge in the 21st Century Nanotechnology Research and Development Act for NNCO to provide "for public input and outreach . . . by the convening of regular and ongoing public discussions". Workshop and webinar topics may include technical subjects; environmental, health, and safety issues related to nanomaterials (nanoEHS); business case studies; or other areas of potential interest to the nanotechnology community. Areas of focus for the Communities of Interest may include research on nanoEHS; nanotechnology education; nanomedicine; nanomanufacturing; or other areas of potential interest to the nanotechnology community. For example, the

longstanding U.S.-EU NanoEHS Communities of Research provide a platform for scientists to develop a shared repertoire of protocols and methods to overcome research gaps and barriers in nanosafety-specific focus areas such as human toxicity or risk assessment. The Communities of Interest are not intended to provide any government agency with advice or recommendations; such action is outside of their purview.

Registration: Due to space limitations, pre-registration for workshops is required. Workshop registration is on a first-come, first-served basis, and will be capped as space limitations dictate. Registration information will be available at <http://www.nano.gov/meetings-workshops>. Registration for the webinars will open approximately two weeks prior to each event and will be capped at 500 participants or as space limitations dictate. Individuals planning to attend a webinar can find registration information at <http://www.nano.gov/PublicWebinars>. Written notices of participation for workshops, webinars, or Communities of Interest should be sent to by email to info@nnco.nano.gov.

Meeting Accommodations: Individuals requiring special accommodation to access any of these public events should contact info@nnco.nano.gov at least ten business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Ted Wackler,

Deputy Chief of Staff and Assistant Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-82520; File No. SR-CboeEDGX-2018-001]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Harmonize the Definition of Non-Professional User in Its Fee Schedule With That of Its Affiliates

January 17, 2018.

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 8, 2018, Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “EDGX”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “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 “non-controversial” proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ 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 filed a proposal to amend the Market Data section of its fee schedule to harmonize the definition of “Non-Professional User” with that of its affiliates, Cboe Exchange, Inc. (“Cboe”) and Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc. (“C2”).

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange’s website at www.markets.cboe.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 Exchange proposes to amend the Market Data section of its fee schedule to harmonize the definition of “Non-Professional User” with that of its affiliates, Cboe and C2. In late 2016, the Exchange and its affiliates Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. (“EDGA”), Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (“BYX”), and Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. (“BZX”) received approval to effect a merger (the “Merger”) of the Exchange’s parent company, Bats Global Markets, Inc., the parent of EDGA, EDGX, BYX, and BZX with CBOE Holding, Inc. (now known as Cboe Global Markets, Inc.) the parent

company of Cboe and C2.⁵ In order to provide consistent rules and terminology amongst the Exchange, Cboe, and C2, the Exchange proposes to amend the definition of “Non-Professional User” to harmonize it with that of its affiliates, Cboe and C2. The EDGX Option’s fee schedule currently defines “Non-Professional User” as:

a natural person who is not: (i) registered or qualified in any capacity with the Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, any state securities agency, any securities exchange or association, or any commodities or futures contract market or association; (ii) engaged as an “investment adviser” as that term is defined in Section 202(a)(11) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (whether or not registered or qualified under that Act); or (iii) employed by a bank or other organization exempt from registration under federal or state securities laws to perform functions that would require registration or qualification if such functions were performed for an organization not so exempt. As amended, “Non-Professional User” would be defined as:

a natural person or qualifying trust that uses Data only for personal purposes and not for any commercial purpose and, for a natural person who works in the United States, is not: (i) registered or qualified in any capacity with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission, any state securities agency, any securities exchange or association, or any commodities or futures contract market or association; (ii) engaged as an “investment adviser” as that term is defined in Section 202(a)(11) of the Investment Advisors Act of 1940 (whether or not registered or qualified under that Act); or (iii) employed by a bank or other organization exempt from registration under federal or state securities laws to perform functions that would require registration or qualification if such functions were performed for an organization not so exempt; or, for a natural person who works outside of the United States, does not perform the same functions as would disqualify such person as a Non-Professional User if he or she worked in the United States.

The revised definition is substantially identical to the definition of “Non-Professional User” included within the Cboe and C2 fee schedules.⁶ The Exchange’s current definition of “Non-

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 79585 (December 16, 2016), 82 FR 6961 (December 22, 2016) (SR-BatsEDGX-2016-60; SR-BatsEDGA-2016-24; SR-BatsBYX-2017-29; and SR-BatsBYX-2016-68).

⁶ See the Cboe fee schedule available at https://www.cboe.org/general-info/pdf/section=SEC_MDX_CSM&title=Cboe%20CDS%20Fees%20Schedule and the C2 fee schedule available at https://www.cboe.org/general-info/pdf/section=SEC_MDX_CSM&title=C2%20CDS%20Fees%20Schedule.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).