

MOC and LOC orders will be voluntary. The Exchange does not believe the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intermarket competition because the proposed change is based on rules that allow for substantially the same order types that are available on another options exchange.<sup>23</sup>

*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 proposed rule change.

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

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 for 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<sup>24</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>25</sup>

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>26</sup> normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)<sup>27</sup> 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. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest as it will allow the Exchange to offer two order types that are substantially similar to order types that are currently available on Cboe Options. Thus, as represented by the Exchange, the proposed rule change does not introduce any new functionality or present any novel issues. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposed rule change to be operative on

June 20, 2019, the day before the Exchange would like to implement MOC and LOC orders.<sup>28</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 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](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-C2-2019-013 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-C2-2019-013. 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 website (<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 website 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 the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal

<sup>28</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has also considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-C2-2019-013 and should be submitted on or before July 2, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>29</sup>

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Depository Trust Company; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proceedings To Determine Whether To Approve or Disapprove a Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Settlement Guide Procedures To Provide Status Information for Institutional Transactions to a Matching Utility**

June 5, 2019.

On November 29, 2018, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") a proposed rule change, 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> to allow DTC to share status information with matching utilities (SR-DTC-2018-010).

The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on December 12, 2018.<sup>3</sup> In response, the Commission received one comment letter on the proposed rule change.<sup>4</sup> On December 26, 2018, the Commission extended the time period within which to approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to

<sup>29</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84751 (December 7, 2018), 83 FR 63948 (December 12, 2018) (SR-DTC-2018-010).

<sup>4</sup> Letter from Mari-Anne Pisarri, Pickard Djinis and Pisarri LLP, dated January 2, 2019, to Eduardo A. Aleman, Assistant Secretary, Commission, available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-dtc-2018-010/srdtc2018010-4842066-177179.pdf> ("SS&C Letter I").

<sup>23</sup> See *supra* note 11.

<sup>24</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>25</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file 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>26</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>27</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed rule change to March 12, 2019.<sup>5</sup> On March 11, 2019, the Commission issued an order instituting proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act<sup>6</sup> to determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed rule change (“OIP”).<sup>7</sup> The Commission received two comments on the proposal in response to the OIP.<sup>8</sup>

Section 19(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act<sup>9</sup> provides that, after initiating proceedings, the Commission shall issue an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change not later than 180 days after the date of publication of notice of filing of the proposed rule change. The Commission may extend the period for issuing an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change, however, by not more than 60 days if the Commission determines that a longer period is appropriate and publishes the reasons for such determination. The proposed rule change was published for notice and comment in the **Federal Register** on December 12, 2018. The 180th day after publication of the Notice is June 10, 2019, and August 9, 2019 is an additional 60 days from that date.

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to issue an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change and the comment letters. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>10</sup> designates August 9, 2019, as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove the proposed rule change (SR-DTC-2018-010).

<sup>5</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84954 (December 26, 2018), 84 FR 873 (January 31, 2019) (SR-DTC-2018-010).

<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B)(ii).

<sup>7</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85288 (March 11, 2019), 84 FR 9565 (March 15, 2019) (SR-DTC-2018-010).

<sup>8</sup> Letter from Mari-Anne Piarri, Pickard Djinis and Piarri LLP, dated April 15, 2019, to Vanessa Countryman, Acting Secretary, Commission, available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-dtc-2018-010/srdtc2018010-5364127-184089.pdf> (“SS&C Letter II”); Letter from Murray Pozmanter, Managing Director, Head of Clearing Agency Services and Global Operations, Depository Trust and Clearing Corporation, dated March 26, 2019, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-dtc-2018-010/srdtc2018010-5224494-183708.pdf> (“DTC Letter”).

<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>10</sup> *Id.*

<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(57).

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

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### Self-Regulatory Organizations; BOX Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend BOX Rule IM-5050-1 Allow \$1 Strike Price Intervals Above \$200 on Options on the QQQ and IWM Exchange-Traded Funds

June 5, 2019.

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 May 30, 2019, BOX Exchange LLC (the “Exchange”) 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 filed the proposal as a “non-controversial” proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act<sup>3</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>4</sup> 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 BOX Rule IM-5050-1 (Strike Price Intervals) to allow for \$1 strike prices above \$200 on additional options on Units of certain exchange-traded fund (“ETF”) products. The text of the proposed rule change is available from the principal office of the Exchange, at the Commission’s Public Reference Room and also on the Exchange’s internet website at <http://boxoptions.com>.

#### 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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

##### 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend BOX Rule IM-5050-1 to allow for \$1 strike prices above \$200 on additional options on Units of certain exchange-traded fund (“ETF”) products. This is a competitive filing that is based on a proposal recently submitted by Cboe Exchange, Inc. (“Cboe”) and approved by the Commission.<sup>5</sup>

Currently, IM-5050-1(b) to Rule 5050 allows for the interval between strike prices of series of options on Units of SPY, IVV, and DIA to be \$1 or greater where the strike price is greater than \$200. Under IM-5050-1(b), for all other series of options on Exchange Traded Fund Shares that satisfy the criteria set forth in Rule 5020(h), the interval of strike prices may be \$1 or greater where the strike price is \$200 or less or \$5 or greater where the strike price is over \$200. The Exchange now proposes to modify the interval setting regime to allow \$1 strike price intervals where the strike price is above \$200 for IWM and QQQ options. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change would make QQQ and IWM options easier for investors and traders to use and more tailored to their investment needs.

The QQQ and IWM are designed to provide investors different ways to efficiently gain exposure to the equity markets and execute risk management, hedging, asset allocation and income generation strategies. The QQQ is a Unit investment trust designed to closely track the price and performance of a the Nasdaq-100 Index (“NDX”), which represents the largest and most active non-financial domestic and international issues listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market based on market capitalization. Likewise, the IWM is an index ETF designed to closely track the price and performance of the Russell 2000 Index (“RUT”), which represents the small capitalization sector of the U.S. equity market. In general, QQQ and

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

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85754 (April 30, 2019), 84 FR 19823 (May 6, 2019) (SR-CBOE-2019-015).