

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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PEACE CORPS

Information Collection Request; Submission for OMB Review

AGENCY: Peace Corps.

ACTION: 60-Day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Peace Corps will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 4, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Virginia Burke, FOIA/Privacy Act Officer. Virginia Burke can be contacted by telephone at 202-692-1887 or email at pcf@peacecorps.gov. Email comments must be made in text and not in attachments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Virginia Burke, FOIA/Privacy Act Officer. Virginia Burke can be contacted by telephone at 202-692-1887 or email at pcf@peacecorps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reasonable Accommodation Request Form.

OMB Control Number: 0420-****.

Type of Request: New.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Respondents Obligation to Reply: Voluntary.

Burden to the Public:

Estimated burden (hours) of the collection of information:

a. *Number of respondents:* 1,000.

b. *Frequency of response:* 1 time.

c. *Completion time:* 10 minutes.

d. *Annual burden hours:* 200 hours.

General Description of Collection: The Peace Corps uses the Reasonable Accommodation Request Form to collect essential information from medical providers and staff to facilitate access of accommodations as required by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Data collected will be used to validate accommodation needs. These forms are the first documented point of contact between the Peace Corps and its

applicants or employees who are in need of accommodations.

Request for Comment: Peace Corps invites comments on whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for proper performance of the functions of the Peace Corps, including whether the information will have practical use; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the information to be collected; and, ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

This notice is issued in Washington, DC, on August 28, 2019.

Virginia Burke,

FOIA/Privacy Act Officer, Management.

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PEACE CORPS

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: RPCV Portal.

OMB Control Number: 0420-0558.

Type of Request: Renewal.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Respondents Obligation to Reply: Voluntary.

Burden to the Public:

Estimated burden (hours) of the collection of information:

a. *Number of respondents:* 29,331.

b. *Frequency of response:* 2 times.

c. *Completion time:* 5 minutes.

d. *Annual burden hours:* 4,888 hours.

General Description of Collection: To better serve the Returned Volunteer population and support the Third Goal, 3GL has developed an RPCV Portal that allows Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCVs) to update their contact information, share stories, request official documentation, view their service history, and enroll in outreach and marketing campaigns. The RPCV Portal can only be accessed by Volunteers who have completed their Peace Corps service; neither current Volunteers, Trainees, applicants nor other members of the public will be able to access the system.

Request for Comment: Peace Corps invites comments on whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for proper performance of the functions of the Peace Corps, including whether the information will have practical use; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the information to be collected; and, ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend The Nasdaq Options Market LLC ("NOM") Pricing at Options 7

August 28, 2019.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 22, 2019, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

(“Nasdaq” 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 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 The Nasdaq Options Market LLC (“NOM”) pricing at Options 7, Section 3 titled “Nasdaq Options Market—Ports and Other Services.” The amendment will describe the pricing with respect to an upcoming technology infrastructure migration.

While the changes proposed herein are effective upon filing, the Exchange has designated the amendments become operative on September 3, 2019.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at <http://nasdaq.cchwallstreet.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 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 NOM pricing at Options 7, Section 3 titled “Nasdaq Options Market—Ports and Other Services.” The Exchange previously filed a fee proposal to not assess a fee for duplicative FIX Ports,³

³ Financial Information eXchange” or “FIX” is an interface that allows Participants and their Sponsored Customers to connect, send, and receive messages related to orders to and from the Exchange. Features include the following: (1) Execution messages; (2) order messages; and (3) risk protection triggers and cancel notifications. See Chapter VI, Section 21(a)(i)(A).

CTI Ports⁴ and FIX DROP Ports⁵ to new FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports, during the month of August 2019, in connection with an upcoming technology infrastructure migration.⁶ With this rule change, the Exchange proposes to not assess a fee for duplicative FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports to new FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports, during the month of September 2019 to allow additional time for the Exchange to migrate its technology.

Description of Migration and Pricing Impact

In connection with this migration, Participants may request new FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports during the month of September 2019, which are duplicative of the type and quantity of their current ports, at no additional cost to allow for testing of the new ports and allow for continuous connection to the match engine during the transition period.⁷ For example, a NOM Participant with 3 FIX Ports, 1 CTI Port and 1 FIX DROP Port on September 3, 2019 could request 3 new FIX Ports, 1 CTI Port and 1 FIX DROP Port for the month of September 2019 at no additional cost. The NOM Participant would be assessed only for the legacy market ports, in this case 3 FIX Ports, 1 CTI Port and 1 FIX DROP Port, for the month of September 2019 and would not be assessed for the new ports, which are duplicative of the current ports. A Participant may acquire any additional legacy ports during the month of September 2019 and would be assessed the charges indicated in the current Pricing Schedule. The migration does

⁴ Clearing Trade Interface (“CTI”) is a real-time clearing trade update message that is sent to a Participant after an execution has occurred and contains trade details specific to that Participant. The information includes, among other things, the following: (i) The Clearing Member Trade Agreement or “CMTA” or The Options Clearing Corporation or “OCC” number; (ii) Exchange badge or house number; (iii) the Exchange internal firm identifier; (iv) an indicator which will distinguish electronic and non-electronically delivered orders; (v) liquidity indicators and transaction type for billing purposes; and (vi) capacity. See Chapter VI, Section 19(b)(1).

⁵ FIX DROP is a real-time order and execution update message that is sent to a Participant after an order been received/modified or an execution has occurred and contains trade details specific to that Participant. The information includes, among other things, the following: (i) Executions; (ii) cancellations; (iii) modifications to an existing order; and (iv) busts or post-trade corrections. See Chapter VI, Section 19(b)(3).

⁶ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 86507 (July 29, 2019), 84 FR 37934 (August 2, 2019) (SR-NASDAQ-2019-056).

⁷ Participants would contact Market Operations to acquire new duplicative FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports. See Options Technical Update #2019-3.

not require a Participant to acquire any additional ports, rather the migration requires a new port to replace any existing ports provided the Participant desired to maintain the same number of ports.⁸ A Participant desiring to enter orders into NOM is required to obtain 1 FIX Port. A Participant may also obtain order and execution ports, such as a CTI Port and/or a FIX DROP Port, to receive clearing and execution messages. The number of additional FIX or order and execution ports obtained by a Participant is dependent on the Participant’s business needs.

Applicability to and Impact on Participants⁹

The proposal is not intended to impose any additional fees on any NOM Participants. All Participants may enter orders on NOM. As noted above, a NOM Participant may enter all orders on NOM through one FIX Port. The Exchange does not require a NOM Participant to obtain more than one FIX Port, however, a Participant may obtain multiple FIX Ports, a CTI Port or a FIX DROP Port to meet its individual business needs. This proposal is intended to permit a NOM Participant to migrate its current FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports at no additional costs during the month of September 2019 to allow for continuous connection to the Exchange. Participants would only be assessed a fee for their current FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports and not be assessed a fee for any new duplicative ports they acquire in connection with the technology infrastructure migration. This proposal is not intended to have a pricing impact.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b)

⁸ The migration is 1:1 and therefore would not require a Participant to acquire new ports, nor would it reduce the number of ports needed to connect.

⁹ On May 21, 2019, the SEC Division of Trading and Markets (the “Division”) issued fee filing guidance titled “Staff Guidance on SRO Rule Filings Relating to Fees” (“Guidance”). Within the Guidance, the Division noted, among other things, that the purpose discussion should address “how the fee may apply differently (e.g., additional cost vs. additional discount) to different types of market participants (e.g., market makers, institutional brokers, retail brokers, vendors, etc.) and different sizes of market participants.” See Guidance (available at <https://www.sec.gov/tm/staff-guidance-sro-rule-filings-fees>). The Guidance also suggests that the purpose discussion should include numerical examples. Where possible, the Exchange is including numerical examples. In addition, the Exchange is providing data to the Commission in support of its arguments herein. The Guidance covers all aspects of a fee filing, which the Exchange has addressed throughout this filing.

of the Act,¹⁰ in general, and furthers the objectives of Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,¹¹ in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility, and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers. The proposal is also consistent with Section 11A of the Act relating to the establishment of the national market system for securities. Moreover, the Exchange believes that its proposal complies with Commission guidance on SRO fee filings that the Commission Staff issued on May 21, 2019.¹²

The Proposal is Reasonable

The Exchange's proposal is reasonable in several respects. As a threshold matter, the Exchange is subject to significant competitive forces in the market for options transaction services that constrain its pricing determinations in that market. The fact that this market is competitive has long been recognized by the courts. In *NetCoalition v. Securities and Exchange Commission*, the D.C. Circuit stated as follows: "[n]o one disputes that competition for order flow is 'fierce.' . . . As the SEC explained, '[i]n the U.S. national market system, buyers and sellers of securities, and the broker-dealers that act as their order-routing agents, have a wide range of choices of where to route orders for execution'; [and] 'no exchange can afford to take its market share percentages for granted' because 'no exchange possesses a monopoly, regulatory or otherwise, in the execution of order flow from broker dealers'. . . ." ¹³

Numerous indicia demonstrate the competitive nature of this market. For example, clear substitutes to the Exchange exist in the market for options transaction services. The Exchange is one of several options venues to which market participants may direct their order flow, and it represents a small percentage of the overall market. The Exchange believes its proposal is reasonable because it will not cause a pricing impact on any NOM Participant,

rather the proposal is intended to permit NOM Participants to migrate their FIX Ports, CTI Ports and FIX DROP Ports to new technology at no additional cost during the month of September 2019. This proposal, which offers new duplicative ports to Participants at no cost, will allow Participants to test and maintain continuous connection to the Exchange during the month of September 2019.

The Proposal Represents an Equitable Allocation and is Not Unfairly Discriminatory

The Exchange believes its proposal allocates its fees fairly among its market participants. The proposal is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory. All Participants may enter orders on NOM. As noted above, a NOM Participant may enter all orders on NOM through one FIX Port. The Exchange does not require a NOM Participant to obtain more than one FIX Port, however, a Participant may obtain multiple FIX Ports, a CTI Port or a FIX DROP Port to meet its individual business needs. This proposal is not intended to have a pricing impact to any NOM Participant.

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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

Inter-Market Competition

The proposal does not impose an undue burden on inter-market competition. This proposal does not amend pricing or functionality. Rather, this technology migration will enable NOM Participants to continue to connect to NOM, as is the case today, for the entry of orders.

Intra-Market Competition

The proposal does not impose an undue burden on intra-market competition. All Participants may enter orders on NOM. As noted above, a NOM Participant may enter all orders on NOM through one FIX Port. The Exchange does not require a NOM Participant to obtain more than one FIX Port, however, a Participant may obtain multiple FIX Ports, a CTI Port or a FIX DROP Port to meet its individual business needs. This proposal is not intended to have a pricing impact to any NOM Participant.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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)(ii) of the Act.¹⁴

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: (i) Necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or 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 email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2019-067 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-NASDAQ-2019-067. 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

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

¹² See Guidance, *supra* note 8. Although the Exchange believes that this filing complies with the Guidance, the Exchange does not concede that the standards set forth in the Guidance are consistent with the Exchange Act and reserves its right to challenge those standards through administrative and judicial review, as appropriate.

¹³ *NetCoalition v. SEC*, 615 F.3d 525, 539 (D.C. Cir. 2010) (quoting Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59039 (December 2, 2008), 73 FR 74770, 74782-83 (December 9, 2008) (SR-NYSEArca-2006-21)).

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 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-NASDAQ-2019-067 and should be submitted on or before September 25, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁵

Jill M. Peterson,
Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-86782; File No. SR-ICEEU-2019-017]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; ICE Clear Europe Limited; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Partial Amendment No. 1, Relating to the ICE Clear Europe CDS Clearing Back-Testing Policy (the "Back-Testing Policy").

August 28, 2019.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 19, 2019, ICE Clear Europe Limited ("ICE Clear Europe" or the "Clearing House") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule changes described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been substantially prepared by ICE Clear Europe. On August 27, 2019, ICE Clear Europe filed Partial Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ The Commission is publishing this notice to

solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as modified by Partial Amendment No. 1 (hereafter referred to as the "proposed rule change"), from interested persons.

I. Clearing Agency's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

ICE Clear Europe Limited ("ICE Clear Europe" or the "Clearing House") proposes to revise its Back-Testing Policy to make certain clarifications, correct certain typographical errors and update governance processes.

II. Clearing Agency's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, ICE Clear Europe 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. ICE Clear Europe has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

(A) Clearing Agency's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Purpose

ICE Clear Europe is proposing to modify, update and reorganize certain provisions of its Back-Testing Policy to clarify certain test strategies, procedures and methodologies, correct certain typographical errors and update governance processes.

The amendments to the Back-Testing Policy principally include various clarifications to the daily, weekly and monthly back-testing performed by the Clearing House. As discussed herein, the amendments would generally align the Back-Testing Policy with the Clearing House's current back-testing practices, and accordingly the amendments are not intended to result in significant changes in back-testing practices. ICE Clear Europe is thus proposing to make these changes in order to make the policy more accurate, clear and precise, in line with regulatory requirements applicable to back-margin back-testing and related suggestions of its regulators. Certain amendments will in particular clarify that back-testing is done at the Clearing Member account level,⁴ replacing existing references to

testing at the portfolio level (which was a less precise description).

The amendments would reorganize the requirements of the policy with respect to daily back-testing, but would not substantially change existing processes. As noted above, the amendments would provide for daily back-testing at the Clearing Member account level. The amendments would also provide that back-testing results would be reported to the Model Oversight Committee and CDS Risk Committee on a monthly basis, including an exceedance summary, an example of which would be included in the Back-Testing Policy.

The provisions of the Back-Testing Policy setting out portfolio construction for back-testing the production margin model using special strategy portfolios would be amended to add an additional strategy and also update strategy names and clarify the use of bought and sold protection positions in the back-testing process. The portfolio construction of the additional strategy, iTraxx Senior Financial 5Y.OTR Arb, would be the same as the construction of the existing special strategies but would relate only to the iTraxx Senior Financials 5Y index. ICE Clear Europe regularly back tests using this additional strategy in practice and is adding it to the policy to reflect this practice. The amendments would provide that with respect to each specified strategy, for completeness, the opposite strategy would be taken into consideration. The other amendments are also generally intended to better reflect current practice.

The provisions of the policy relating to back testing of the Monte Carlo ("MC") model would be revised to clarify that back-tests are performed daily on the Spread Response component of the Initial Margin using ICE Clear Europe's MC model rather than the worst among the scenario based spread response approaches and the MC approach. The back-test would be performed on individual Clearing Member accounts using the risk approach for the Spread Response Initial Margin (and accordingly references to specific quantiles for testing have been removed). The back-tested risk measures would include the sum of the MC VaR and the basis risk, interest rate and recovery rate quantities. This amendment is intended to clarify what is meant in the policy by "Monte Carlo back-testing", which is back-testing only the MC model and not the stress based model. There would be no change to the current practice with respect to MC model back testing. The amendments would also remove an unnecessary distinction depending on

¹⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ Partial Amendment No. 1 corrected an inaccurate statement in the initial proposed rule change but did not make any changes to the substance of the filing or the text of the proposed rule change.

⁴ Account for this purpose has the meaning specified in the Rules.