

| Agency name   | Organization name  | Position title  | Request No.   | Date vacated |            |
|---|--|---|---|--------------|------------|
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.<br>DEPARTMENT OF STATE ..... | Office of Public and Indian Housing  | Senior Advisor .....                                    | DU180031  | 05/04/2019   |            |
|   | Office of the Secretary .....  | Senior Advisor .....                                    | DU170100  | 05/11/2019   |            |
|   | Bureau of Public Affairs .....   | Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategic Communication. | DS180012  | 05/11/2019   |            |
|   | Office of the Chief of Protocol .....  | Protocol Officer .....                                  | DS180023  | 05/11/2019   |            |
|   | Office of the Secretary .....  | Special Assistant .....                                 | DS170192  | 05/11/2019   |            |
|   | Office of the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security Affairs. | Special Assistant .....                                 | DS170133  | 05/11/2019   |            |
|   | DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.  | Immediate Office of the Administrator.                  | Director of Governmental, International and Public Affairs. | DT180048     | 05/11/2019 |
|   | NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD.  | Office of the Board Members .....                       | Congressional Liaison Specialist ...                        | NL150007     | 05/23/2019 |
|   | OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.                                  | Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.       | Confidential Assistant to the Chairman.                     | SH170006     | 05/31/2019 |
|   | OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT.  | Office of Communications .....                          | Speech Writer .....   | PM180061     | 05/25/2019 |

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Office of Personnel Management.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

**Excepted Service**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing

authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from June 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Alford, Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Services and Performance Management, Employee Services, 202–606–2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific

authorities established or revoked each month in the **Federal Register** at [www.gpo.gov/fdsys/](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/). OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

**Schedule A**

No Schedule A Authorities to report during June 2019.

**Schedule B**

No Schedule B Authorities to report during June 2019.

**Schedule C**

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during June 2019.

| Agency name                | Organization name   | Position title  | Authorization No.            | Effective date |            |
|----------------------------|---|---|------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  | Office of Communications .....                                      | Press Secretary .....   | DA190150                     | 06/11/2019     |            |
|                            | Farm Service Agency .....   | State Executive Director—California.                              | DA190161                     | 06/20/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of Foreign Agricultural Service.                             | Confidential Assistant .....                                      | DA190157                     | 06/28/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of the General Counsel .....                                 | Senior Advisor .....  | DA190155                     | 06/18/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of the Secretary .....                                       | Advisor .....   | DA190156                     | 06/18/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of the Under Secretary for Farm Production and Conservation. | Senior Advisor .....  | DA190165                     | 06/28/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of Rural Housing Service .....                               | Policy Advisor .....  | DA190163                     | 06/28/2019     |            |
|                            | DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ...  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance. | State Director—Arizona ..... | DA190147       | 06/13/2019 |
|                            | Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.                | Special Assistant .....   | DC190109                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of Public Affairs .....                                      | Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs.                           | DC190106                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
| COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS | Office of the Under Secretary .....                                 | Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist.           | DC190108                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of White House Liaison .....                                 | Director of Speechwriting and Senior Advisor.                     | DC190114                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
|                            | Patent and Trademark Office .....                                   | Senior Advisor .....  | DC190112                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
|                            |   | Confidential Assistant .....                                      | DC190104                     | 06/25/2019     |            |
|                            | Deputy Chief Communications Officer.                                | DC190113  | 06/28/2019                   |                |            |
|                            | Office of Staff Members .....                                       | Special Assistant .....   | CC190001                     | 06/18/2019     |            |
|                            | Office of Commissioners .....                                       | Special Assistant .....   | CC180002                     | 06/25/2019     |            |

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|--|--|--|----------------------|--------------------------|
| DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE .....              | Office of the Chief Management Officer.  | Special Assistant .....  | DD190144             | 06/13/2019               |
|  | Office of the Deputy Under Secretary for Policy.                                   | Special Assistant .....  | DD190111             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of the Secretary of Defense   | Speechwriter .....   | DD190123             | 06/03/2019               |
|  | Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment).            | Special Assistant .....  | DD190143             | 06/11/2019               |
|  | Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy).                                 | Special Assistant (2) .....  | DD190139<br>DD190140 | 06/19/2019<br>06/20/2019 |
| DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY .....             | Office Deputy Under Secretary of Army.   | Special Assistant .....  | DW190045             | 06/26/2019               |
| DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ...              | Office of the Secretary .....  | Confidential Assistant for Policy .....                              | DB190102             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.                                      | Confidential Assistant .....   | DB190105             | 06/13/2019               |
| DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY .....               | Office of the General Counsel .....  | Attorney Adviser .....   | DB190107             | 06/19/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability. | Special Advisor .....  | DE190135             | 06/25/2019               |
|  |  | Special Assistant .....  | DE190134             | 06/28/2019               |
|  | Office of National Nuclear Security Administration.                                | Special Advisor .....  | DE190131             | 06/25/2019               |
|  | Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security and Emergency Response.                   | Special Advisor .....  | DE190137             | 06/26/2019               |
|  | Office of Management .....   | Senior Advisor .....   | DE190129             | 06/06/2019               |
|  |  | Special Advisor .....  | DE190126             | 06/20/2019               |
|  | Office of Policy .....   | Special Assistant .....  | DE190125             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of Public Affairs .....   | Special Advisor .....  | DE190132             | 06/25/2019               |
|  |  | Writer-Editor (Chief Speechwriter)                                   | DE190140             | 06/26/2019               |
| ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.         | Office of Science .....  | Chief of Staff .....   | DE190144             | 06/26/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Administrator for International and Tribal Affairs.        | Director, American Indian Environmental Office.                      | EP190082             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of Public Affairs .....   | Special Advisor .....  | EP190102             | 06/19/2019               |
| EXPORT-IMPORT BANK .....                 | Office of the Chief of Staff .....   | Executive Secretary .....  | EB190007             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of the Chairman .....   | Director of Scheduling .....   | EB190008             | 06/05/2019               |
|  | Office of Communications .....   | Press Secretary .....  | EB190010             | 06/17/2019               |
|  | Office of External Engagement .....  | Senior Vice President for External Engagement.                       | EB190011             | 06/18/2019               |
|  | GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.   | Office of General Counsel .....                                      | Senior Counsel ..... | GS190034                 |
| DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. | Office of the Administration for Children and Families.                            | Communications Director .....  | DH190203             | 06/25/2019               |
|  | Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.  | Senior Advisor for External Affairs                                  | DH190172             | 06/05/2019               |
|  |  | Senior Advisor .....   | DH190086             | 06/07/2019               |
|  | Office of Food and Drug Administration.  | Counselor .....  | DH190101             | 06/07/2019               |
|  | Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.                                  | Special Assistant .....  | DH190187             | 06/26/2019               |
|  | Office of Refugee Resettlement/Office of the Director.                             | Policy Advisor .....   | DH190096             | 06/07/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources.                         | Director—Appropriations Liaison .....                                | DH190111             | 06/07/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Legislation.                                 | Special Assistant (2) .....  | DH190184             | 06/25/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.                              | Senior Advisor and National Spokesperson.                            | DH190185<br>DH190198 | 06/25/2019<br>06/25/2019 |
|  | Office of the General Counsel .....  | Associate Deputy General Counsel                                     | DH190175             | 06/06/2019               |
|  |  | Assistant Deputy General Counsel                                     | DH190178             | 06/13/2019               |
|  | Office of the Secretary .....  | Special Advisor .....  | DH190118             | 06/05/2019               |
|  |  | Special Assistant .....  | DH190164             | 06/11/2019               |
|  |  | White House Liaison for Political Personnel, Boards and Commissions. | DH190200             | 06/21/2019               |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.         | Office of the Chief of Staff .....   | Director of Drug Pricing Reform .....                                | DH190205             | 06/25/2019               |
|  |  | Special Assistant .....  | DM190227             | 06/10/2019               |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.                                      | Advance Representative .....   | DM190230             | 06/13/2019               |
|  | Office of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.                  | Confidential Assistant, Border, Immigration and Trade Policy.        | DM190234             | 06/28/2019               |
|  | Senior Advisor .....   | DM190236   | 06/28/2019           |                          |

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|--|---|--|-------------------|----------------|
|  | Office of Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction.                               | Special Assistant .....  | DM190239          | 06/28/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.   | Office of Administration .....  | Briefing Book Coordinator .....                                    | DU190083          | 06/26/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR                     | Office of Surface Mining .....  | Senior Advisor .....   | DI190060          | 06/05/2019     |
|  | Secretary's Immediate Office .....  | Writer .....   | DI190071          | 06/19/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE .....                    | Office of Legal Policy .....  | Counsel .....  | DJ190090          | 06/13/2019     |
|  | Office of Civil Rights Division .....   | Special Assistant .....  | DJ190084          | 06/18/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF LABOR .....                      | Office of Employment and Training Administration.                               | Senior Policy Advisor .....  | DL190074          | 06/05/2019     |
|  |   | Senior Counsel .....   | DL190104          | 06/25/2019     |
|  |   | Deputy Chief of Staff .....  | DL190110          | 06/25/2019     |
|  | Office of Mine Safety and Health Administration.                                | Senior Policy Advisor .....  | DL190082          | 06/10/2019     |
|  | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.                          | Case Officer .....   | DL190094          | 06/10/2019     |
|  |   | Legislative Officer .....  | DL190083          | 06/18/2019     |
|  |   | Intergovernmental Officer .....                                    | DL190096          | 06/19/2019     |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.                                   | Senior Counsel and Policy Advisor                                  | DL190118          | 06/25/2019     |
|  | Office of the Deputy Secretary .....  | Special Assistant and Policy Advisor.                              | DL190117          | 06/25/2019     |
|  | Office of the Secretary .....   | Special Assistant and Policy Advisor.                              | DL190113          | 06/25/2019     |
|  |   | Special Assistant .....  | DL190119          | 06/28/2019     |
|  | Office of Workers Compensation Programs.  | Chief of Staff .....   | DL190076          | 06/06/2019     |
|  | Office of Wage and Hour Division  | Senior Policy Advisor (2) .....                                    | DL190075          | 06/07/2019     |
|  |   |  | DL190095          | 06/13/2019     |
| NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION. | Office of Communications .....  | Speechwriter .....   | NN190032          | 06/05/2019     |
| NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS.               | National Endowment for the Arts ...   | Confidential Assistant .....                                       | NA190008          | 06/13/2019     |
|  |   | Director of Congressional Affairs ...                              | NA190010          | 06/20/2019     |
| OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.               | Office of Communications .....  | Press Assistant .....  | BO190026          | 06/13/2019     |
|  |   | Press Secretary (2) .....  | BO190032          | 06/19/2019     |
|  |   |  | BO190031          | 06/27/2019     |
|  | Office of General Counsel .....   | Associate General Counsel .....                                    | BO190028          | 06/27/2019     |
|  | Office of Legislative Affairs .....   | Deputy for Legislative Affairs (Appropriations).                   | BO190025          | 06/13/2019     |
| OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT.                | Office of Congressional, Legislative, and Intergovernmental Affairs.            | Legislative Analyst .....  | PM190040          | 06/30/2019     |
| SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.            | Office of the Chairman .....  | Confidential Assistant .....                                       | SE190005          | 06/13/2019     |
|  | Office of Public Affairs .....  | Deputy Director, Office of Public Affairs.                         | SE190007          | 06/24/2019     |
| SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.                 | Office of Capital Access .....  | Special Assistant .....  | SB190025          | 06/26/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF STATE .....                      | Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment. | Senior Advisor .....   | DS190065          | 06/05/2019     |
|  | Office of the Chief of Protocol .....   | Protocol Officer (Gifts) .....                                     | DS190110          | 06/25/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.                  | Office of the Administrator .....   | Special Assistant for Policy, Governmental and Public Affairs (2). | DT190093          | 06/13/2019     |
|  |   | Director of Governmental Affairs ...                               | DT190094          | 06/14/2019     |
|  |   | Governmental Affairs Officer .....                                 | DT190090          | 06/18/2019     |
|  |   | Special Assistant for Research and Technology.                     | DT190099          | 06/28/2019     |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology.                  | Special Assistant for Research and Technology.                     | DT190105          | 06/28/2019     |
|  | Office of Public Affairs .....  | Digital Media Manager .....  | DT190107          | 06/28/2019     |
|  | Office of the Secretary .....   | Special Assistant .....  | DT190089          | 06/18/2019     |
|  |   | Special Assistant for Advance .....                                | DT190098          | 06/28/2019     |
|  |   | Director of Scheduling and Advance.                                | DT190101          | 06/28/2019     |
|  | Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.                     | Senior Policy Advisor .....  | DT190104          | 06/20/2019     |
| DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.                    | Office of the Assistant Secretary (Public Affairs).                             | Special Assistant .....  | DY190073          | 06/06/2019     |
|  |   | Public Affairs Specialist .....                                    | DY190077          | 06/13/2019     |
|  |   | Director, Public Affairs .....                                     | DY190082          | 06/25/2019     |
|  | Secretary of the Treasury .....   | Director of Scheduling and Advance.                                | DY190085          | 06/25/2019     |

| Agency name                                   | Organization name                   | Position title               | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION. | Office of Commissioner Kearns ..... | Confidential Assistant ..... | TC190004          | 06/10/2019     |

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during June 2019.

| Agency name                                  | Organization name  | Position title  | Request No. | Date vacated |
|--|--|---|-------------|--------------|
| DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ...                   | Office of Advance, Scheduling and Protocol.  | Advance Assistant .....   | DC180180    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of Executive Secretariat .....  | Deputy Director, Office of Executive Secretariat.                                   | DC180190    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Director .....   | Special Advisor .....   | DC170169    | 06/08/2019   |
| OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.          | Office of Minority Business Development Agency.                                    | Special Advisor for Strategic Initiatives.  | DC190018    | 06/13/2019   |
|  | Office of the Secretary of Defense   | Special Assistant .....   | DD190119    | 06/01/2019   |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs).     | Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for African Affairs. | DD180002    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Secretary of Defense   | Speechwriter .....  | DD180085    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy).                                 | Special Assistant (2) .....   | DD180089    | 06/22/2019   |
| DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ...                  | Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Asian and Pacific Security Affairs). | Special Assistant to Deputy Assistant of Defense (South and Southeast Asia).        | DD180088    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Asian and Pacific Security Affairs). | Special Assistant to Deputy Assistant of Defense (South and Southeast Asia).        | DD170219    | 06/15/2019   |
|  | Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.                             | Special Assistant .....   | DB180058    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Secretary .....  | Confidential Assistant .....  | DB190003    | 06/08/2019   |
| DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.     | Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.                                      | Confidential Assistant .....  | DB190037    | 06/15/2019   |
|  | Office of Postsecondary Education  | Special Assistant .....   | DB190005    | 06/15/2019   |
|  | Office of the General Counsel .....  | Attorney Advisor .....  | DB190033    | 06/22/2019   |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Legislation.                                 | Senior Deputy Director of Oversight and Investigations.                             | DH180253    | 06/10/2019   |
|  | Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.                                  | Special Assistant .....   | DH180162    | 06/11/2019   |
|  | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.                              | Senior Advisor and National Spokesperson.   | DH180108    | 06/12/2019   |
| DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. | Office of the Secretary .....  | White House Liaison for Political Personnel, Boards and Commissions.                | DH180198    | 06/14/2019   |
|  | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations.                           | Policy Advisor .....  | DH180176    | 06/17/2019   |
| DEPARTMENT OF STATE .....                    | Office of the Chief of Protocol .....  | Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.                             | DU180051    | 06/22/2019   |
| DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.                | Office of Civil Rights .....   | Protocol Officer (Ceremonials) .....  | DS170178    | 06/14/2019   |
|  | Office of the Secretary .....  | Senior Advisor .....  | DT180064    | 06/08/2019   |
| EXPORT-IMPORT BANK .....                     | Office of the Chief of Staff .....   | Special Assistant for Strategic Initiatives.  | DT190009    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.                | Executive Secretary .....   | EB180009    | 06/08/2019   |
| GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.             | Office of the Administrator .....  | Advisor to the Chief Operating Officer.   | EB180008    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Administrator .....  | Special Assistant .....   | GS190007    | 06/18/2019   |
| OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT.              | Office of Communications .....   | Assistant Director of Communications for Policy and Operations.                     | PM190022    | 06/08/2019   |
|  | Office of the Director .....   | Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Director.                                      | PM180046    | 06/08/2019   |
| SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION.          | Office of the Chairman .....   | Confidential Assistant (2) .....  | SE180003    | 06/07/2019   |
|  | Office of the General Counsel .....  | Deputy General Counsel .....  | SE170001    | 06/08/2019   |
| SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.               | Office of the General Counsel .....  | Deputy General Counsel .....  | SB170064    | 06/08/2019   |

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### Product Change—Priority Mail Express and Priority Mail Negotiated Service Agreement

**AGENCY:** Postal Service™.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service gives notice of filing a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to add a domestic shipping services contract to the list of Negotiated Service Agreements in the Mail Classification Schedule's Competitive Products List.

**DATES:** *Date of required notice:* October 23, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sean Robinson, 202–268–8405.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Postal Service® hereby gives notice that, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 3632(b)(3), on October 18, 2019, it filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a USPS Request to Add Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 101 to Competitive Product List. Documents are available at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov), Docket Nos. MC2020–11, CP2020–10.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–87335; File No. SR–CboeEDGA–2019–016]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Extend the Pilot Related to the Market-Wide Circuit Breaker in Rule 11.16

October 17, 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 October 15, 2019, Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.

(the “Exchange” or “EDGA”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II, 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

Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. (“EDGA” or the “Exchange”) is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) a proposal to extend the pilot related to the market-wide circuit breaker in Rule 11.16. The text of the proposed rule change is enclosed as Exhibit 5.

The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange's website ([http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule\\_filings/edga/](http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule_filings/edga/)), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary, 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

EDGA Rules 11.16(a) through (d), (f) and (g) describe the methodology for determining when to halt trading in all stocks due to extraordinary market volatility, *i.e.*, market-wide circuit breakers. The market-wide circuit breaker (“MWCBC”) mechanism was approved by the Commission to operate on a pilot basis, the term of which was to coincide with the pilot period for the

Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility Pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS (the “LULD Plan”),<sup>5</sup> including any extensions to the pilot period for the LULD Plan. The Commission recently approved an amendment to the LULD Plan for it to operate on a permanent, rather than pilot, basis.<sup>6</sup> In light of the proposal to make the LULD Plan permanent, the Exchange amended Rule 11.16 to untie the pilot's effectiveness from that of the LULD Plan and to extend the pilot's effectiveness to the close of business on October 18, 2019.<sup>7</sup>

The Exchange now proposes to amend Rule 11.16 to extend the pilot to the close of business on October 18, 2020. This filing does not propose any substantive or additional changes to Rule 11.16. The Exchange will use the extension period to develop with the other SROs rules and procedures that would allow for the periodic testing of the performance of the MWCBC mechanism, with industry member participation in such testing. The extension will also permit the exchanges to consider enhancements to the MWCBC processes such as modifications to the Level 3 process.

The market-wide circuit breaker under Rule 11.16 provides an important, automatic mechanism that is invoked to promote stability and investor confidence during a period of significant stress when securities markets experience extreme broad-based declines. All U.S. equity exchanges and FINRA adopted uniform rules on a pilot basis relating to market-wide circuit breakers in 2012 (“MWCBC Rules”), which are designed to slow the effects of extreme price movement through coordinated trading halts across securities markets when severe price declines reach levels that may exhaust market liquidity. Market-wide circuit breakers provide for trading halts in all equities and options markets during a severe market decline as measured by a single-day decline in the S&P 500 Index.

Pursuant to Rule 11.16, a market-wide trading halt will be triggered if the S&P 500 Index declines in price by specified percentages from the prior day's closing price of that index. Currently, the triggers are set at three circuit breaker thresholds: 7% (Level 1), 13% (Level 2),

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67091 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33498 (June 6, 2012). The LULD Plan provides a mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility in individual securities.

<sup>6</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85623 (April 11, 2019), 84 FR 16086 (April 17, 2019).

<sup>7</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85668 (April 16, 2019), 84 FR 16743 (April 22, 2019) (SR–CboeEDGA–2019–006).

<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).