

the value received compared to the cost of joining and maintaining membership on the Exchange.<sup>11</sup>

As noted above, Nasdaq's Annual Membership Fee would remain substantially lower than the analogous fees of LTSE,<sup>12</sup> and membership fees are subject to competition from other exchanges. Accordingly, if the Annual Membership Fee change proposed herein is unattractive to market participants, it is likely that Nasdaq will experience a decline in membership as a result.

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.<sup>13</sup> Nasdaq does not believe that the proposed rule change places an unnecessary burden on competition because it is a modest fee increase for a fee that has remained unchanged since 2007 and that will now better reflect the value of the services it provides its membership.

Accordingly, any Exchange member that is dissatisfied with the proposal is free to choose not to be a member of the Exchange and send order flow to another exchange.

#### *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.<sup>14</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: (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 (<https://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-NASDAQ-2024-002 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-2024-002. 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 (<https://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 office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2024-002, and should be submitted on or before February 8, 2024.

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

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## **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

[Release No. 34-99339; File No. SR-NYSE-NAT-2023-30]

### **Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE National, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Proposed Change To Amend Its Schedule of Fees and Rebates**

January 12, 2024.

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 December 29, 2023, NYSE National, Inc. ("NYSE National" or the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III 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 its Schedule of Fees and Rebates (the "Fee Schedule") with respect to the system processing fee for the Central Registration Depository ("CRD" or "CRD system") collected by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA"). The Exchange proposes to implement the fee change on January 2, 2024. The proposed change is available on the Exchange's website at [www.nyse.com](http://www.nyse.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

<sup>11</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 93927 (January 7, 2022), 87 FR 2191 (January 13, 2022) (SR-MEMX-2021-19).

<sup>12</sup> *Supra* note 4.

<sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(8).

<sup>14</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>15</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.

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 the Fee Schedule with respect to the system processing fee for use of CRD collected by FINRA.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange proposes to implement the fee changes effective January 2, 2024.

FINRA collects and retains certain regulatory fees via CRD for the registration of associated persons of Exchange ETP Holders that are not FINRA members ("Non-FINRA ETP Holders").<sup>4</sup> CRD fees are user-based, and there is no distinction in the cost incurred by FINRA if the user is a FINRA member or a Non-FINRA ETP Holder.

In 2020, FINRA amended certain fees assessed for use of the CRD system for implementation between 2022 and 2024.<sup>5</sup> The Exchange accordingly proposes to amend the Price List to mirror the system processing fee assessed by FINRA, which will be implemented concurrently with the amended FINRA fee as of January 2024.<sup>6</sup> Specifically, the Exchange proposes to amend the Fee Schedule to modify the system processing fee charged to Non-

<sup>3</sup> CRD is the central licensing and registration system for the U.S. securities industry. The CRD system enables individuals and firms seeking registration with multiple states and self-regulatory organizations to do so by submitting a single form, fingerprint card, and a combined payment of fees to FINRA. Through the CRD system, FINRA maintains the qualification, employment, and disciplinary histories of registered associated persons of broker-dealers.

<sup>4</sup> The Exchange originally adopted fees for use of the CRD system in 2018 and amended those fees in 2022 and 2023. See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 83867 (July 23, 2018), 83 FR 35696 (July 27, 2018) (SR-NYSE-NAT-2018-16); 93903 (January 5, 2022), 87 FR 1466 (January 11, 2022) (SR-NYSE-NAT-2021-24); and 96681 (January 17, 2023), 88 FR 4045 (January 23, 2023) (SR-NYSE-NAT-2023-01). While the Exchange lists these fees in its Fee Schedule, it does not collect or retain these fees.

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 90176 (October 14, 2020), 85 FR 66592 (October 20, 2020) (SR-FINRA-2020-032).

<sup>6</sup> The Exchange notes that it has only adopted the CRD system fees charged by FINRA to Non-FINRA ETP Holders when such fees are applicable. In this regard, certain FINRA CRD system fees and requirements are specific to FINRA members, but do not apply to NYSE National-only ETP Holders. Non-FINRA ETP Holders have been charged CRD system fees since 2018. See note 4, *supra*. ETP Holders that are also FINRA members are charged CRD system fees according to Section 4 of Schedule A to the FINRA By-Laws.

FINRA ETP Holders for each registered representative and principal from \$45 to \$70.<sup>7</sup>

The Exchange notes that the proposed change is not otherwise intended to address any other issues surrounding regulatory fees, and the Exchange is not aware of any problems that ETP Holders would have in complying with the proposed change.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of section 6(b)(4)<sup>9</sup> of the Act, in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>10</sup> in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

The Exchange believes that the proposed fee change is reasonable because the fee will be identical to that adopted by FINRA as of January 2024 for use of the CRD system to submit an initial or amended Form U4, Form U5 or Form BD that includes the initial reporting, amendment, or certification of one or more disclosure events or proceedings and the posting to CRD each set of fingerprints submitted electronically to FINRA. The costs of operating and improving the CRD system are similarly borne by FINRA when a Non-FINRA ETP Holder uses the CRD system; accordingly, the fees collected for such use should, as proposed by the Exchange, mirror the fees assessed to FINRA members. In addition, as FINRA noted in amending its fees, it believes that its proposed pricing structure is reasonable and correlates fees with the components that drive its regulatory costs to the extent feasible. The Exchange further believes that the change is reasonable because it will provide greater specificity

<sup>7</sup> See Section (4)(b)(7) of Schedule A to the FINRA By-laws.

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

<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>10</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

regarding the CRD system fees that are applicable to Non-FINRA ETP Holders. All similarly situated ETP Holders are subject to the same fee structure, and every ETP Holder must use the CRD system for registration and disclosure. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that the fees collected for such use should likewise increase in lockstep with the fees assessed to FINRA members, as proposed by the Exchange.

The Exchange also believes that the proposed fee change provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable fees and other charges, and does not unfairly discriminate between customers, issuers, brokers, and dealers. The fee applies equally to all individuals and firms required to report information the CRD system, and the proposed change will result in the same regulatory fees being charged to all ETP Holders required to report information to CRD and for services performed by FINRA regardless of whether such ETP Holders are FINRA members. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that the fee collected for such use should increase in lockstep with the fee adopted by FINRA as of January 2024, as proposed by the Exchange.

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

In accordance with section 6(b)(8) of the Act,<sup>11</sup> the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change would not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes that the proposed change will reflect a fee that will be assessed by FINRA as of January 2024 and will thus result in the same regulatory fee being charged to all ETP Holders required to report information to the CRD system and for services performed by FINRA, regardless of whether or not such ETP Holders are FINRA members.

*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**

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to section

<sup>11</sup> See 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(8).

19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)<sup>13</sup> thereunder.

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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change 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](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include file number SR-NYSENAT-2023-30 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-NYSENAT-2023-30. 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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also

will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NYSENAT-2023-30 and should be submitted on or before February 8, 2024.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>14</sup>

**Sherry R. Haywood,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-99340; File No. SR-CboeEDGA-2024-001]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Its Fee Schedule To Modify Historical Depth Data Fees

January 12, 2024.

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> notice is hereby given that on January 2, 2024, Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGA") 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 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. (the "Exchange" or "EDGA") proposes to amend its Fees Schedule. The text of the proposed rule change is provided in 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.

<sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

<sup>27</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

#### 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 its Fees Schedule, effective January 2, 2024.

By way of background, the Exchange currently makes available for purchase Depth Data, which is a daily archive of the Exchange's depth of book real-time feed, which provides depth-of-book quotations and execution information based on equity orders entered into the System.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange also offers Historical Depth Data, which offers such data on a historical basis, *i.e.*, T+1 or later, dating back to September 2019. The Depth Data and Historical Depth Data are available for purchase to Members and Non-Members on the Cboe LiveVol, LLC ("LiveVol") website,<sup>4</sup> for internal use only; LiveVol is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Exchange's parent company, Cboe Global Markets, Inc.

The Exchange's affiliated equities and options exchanges (*i.e.*, Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. ("BZX"), Cboe Exchange, Inc. ("Cboe Options"), Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc. ("C2 Options"), Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. ("EDGX"), and Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. ("BYX") (collectively, "Affiliates") also offer similar data products.<sup>5</sup> Particularly, each of the Exchange's Affiliates offer a daily and historical archive of their depth of book real-time feed with execution information based on their trading activity that is substantially similar to the information provided by

<sup>3</sup> See EDGA Fees Schedule. Daily end-of-day delivery is provided via the DataShop SFTP. Files will typically become available after 10pm ET; see also EDGA Rule 1.5, which defines "System."

<sup>4</sup> See <https://datashop.cboe.com/cboe-us-equities-pitch>.

<sup>5</sup> See, for example, EDGX Fee Schedule, BYX Fee Schedule, BZX Fee Schedule.

<sup>12</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).