

collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202410-3235-012 or send an email comment to MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice by March 31, 2025.

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Sherry Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rules 6a-1 and 6a-2, Form 1

Upon Written Request, Copies Available

From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 6a-1 (17 CFR 240.6a-1), Rule 6a-2 (17 CFR 240.6a-2), and Form 1 (17 CFR 249.1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

The Exchange Act sets forth a regulatory scheme for national securities exchanges. Rule 6a-1 under the Exchange Act generally requires an applicant for initial registration as a national securities exchange to file an application with the Commission on Form 1. An exchange that seeks an exemption from registration based on limited trading volume also must apply for such exemption on Form 1. Rule 6a-2 under the Exchange Act requires registered and exempt exchanges: (1) to amend the Form 1 if there are any material changes to the information provided in the initial Form 1; and (2) to submit periodic updates of certain information provided in the initial Form 1, whether such information has changed or not. The information

required pursuant to Rules 6a-1 and 6a-2 is necessary to enable the Commission to maintain accurate files regarding the exchange and to exercise its statutory oversight functions. Without the information submitted pursuant to Rule 6a-1 on Form 1, the Commission would not be able to determine whether the respondent has met the criteria for registration (or an exemption from registration) set forth in Section 6 of the Exchange Act. The amendments and periodic updates of information submitted pursuant to Rule 6a-2 are necessary to assist the Commission in determining whether a national securities exchange or exempt exchange is continuing to operate in compliance with the Exchange Act.

Initial filings on Form 1 by prospective exchanges are made on a one-time basis. The Commission estimates that it will receive approximately one initial Form 1 filing per year and that each respondent would incur an average burden of 880 hours to file an initial Form 1. Therefore, the Commission estimates that the annual burden for all respondents to file the initial Form 1 would be 880 hours (one response/respondent × one respondent × 880 hours/response).

There currently are 26 entities registered as national securities exchanges. The Commission estimates that each registered or exempt exchange files eleven amendments or periodic updates to Form 1 per year, incurring an average burden of 25 hours per amendment to comply with Rule 6a-2. The Commission estimates that the annual burden for all respondents to file amendments and periodic updates to the Form 1 pursuant to Rule 6a-2 would be 7,150 hours (26 respondents × 25 hours/response × 11 responses/respondent per year).

The total estimated annual time burden associated with Rules 6a-1 and 6a-2 is thus approximately 8,030 hours (880 + 7,150).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202407-3235-025 or send an email comment to MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice by March 31, 2025.

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Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-102471; File No. SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Modify the NYSE Arca Options Fee Schedule

February 21, 2025.

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 February 14, 2025, NYSE Arca, Inc. (“NYSE Arca” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Item I below, which Item has been substantially prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal for immediate effectiveness pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f) thereunder.⁴ 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 modify the NYSE Arca Options Fee Schedule (“Fee Schedule”) to modify certain qualification bases applicable to the Customer Penny Posting Credit Tiers, Customer Posting Credit Tiers in Non-Penny Issues, and Customer Incentive Program to reduce the requisite average daily volume (“ADV”) and exclude sub-dollar securities from such calculation. The Exchange proposes to implement the fee change effective February 14, 2025.⁵

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f). 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 will institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

⁵ On February 3, 2025, the Exchange filed to amend the Fee Schedule (NYSEARCA-2025-11) and withdrew such filing on February 14, 2025.

The proposed rule change, including the Exchange's statement of the purpose of, and statutory basis for, the proposed rule change, is available on the Exchange's website at www.nyse.com and on the Commission's website at https://www.sec.gov/rules-regulations/self-regulatory-organization-rulemaking/national-securities-exchanges?file_number=SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14.

II. 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.⁶ Comments may be submitted electronically by using the Commission's internet comment form (https://www.sec.gov/rules-regulations/self-regulatory-organization-rulemaking/national-securities-exchanges?file_number=SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14) or by sending an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include file number SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14 on the subject line. Alternatively, paper comments may be sent to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14. 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-regulations/self-regulatory-organization-rulemaking/national-securities-exchanges?file_number=SR-NYSEARCA-2025-14). 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-NYSEARCA-2025-14 and should be submitted on or before March 20, 2025.

⁶ 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.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Proposed Action in Section 301 Investigation of China's Targeting of the Maritime, Logistics, and Shipbuilding Sectors for Dominance

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

ACTION: Request for comments and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: USTR requests written comments regarding potential trade action in connection with the Section 301 investigation of China's targeting of the maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors for dominance. USTR also will convene a public hearing and accept rebuttal comments in relation to the potential action.

DATES:

February 21, 2025: Comment period opens.

March 10, 2025: To be assured of consideration, submit requests to appear at a hearing, along with a summary of the testimony, by this date.

March 24, 2025: To be assured of consideration, submit written comments by this date. USTR will hold a public hearing on proposed action in this investigation in the main hearing room of the U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, beginning at 10 a.m.

Seven calendar days after the last day of the public hearing: Submit post-hearing rebuttal comments.

ADDRESSES: Submit documents in response to this notice, including written comments, rebuttal comments, and requests to appear through USTR's electronic portal: <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>. The docket number for written comments and rebuttal comments is USTR-2025-0002. The docket number for requests to appear is USTR-2025-0003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions concerning the investigation or issues with online submissions, please contact Chairs of the Section 301 Committee Megan Grimball and Philip Butler, Associate General Counsels Thomas Au and Amanda Lee, or

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Assistant General Counsels Henry Smith, Anjani Nadadur, or David Salkeld at 202.395.5725.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On March 12, 2024, petitioners¹ filed a Section 301 petition regarding the acts, policies, and practices of China to dominate the maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sector. The petition was filed pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2412(a)), requesting action pursuant to Section 301(b) (19 U.S.C. 2411(b)). See 89 FR 29424 (April 22, 2024). For additional information, the full text of the petition and accompanying exhibits are available at: <https://ustr.gov/issue-areas/enforcement/section-301-investigations/section-301-china-targeting-maritime-logistics-and-shipbuilding-sectors-dominance>.

On April 17, 2024, after USTR consulted with the appropriate advisory committees and the interagency Section 301 Committee, the U.S. Trade Representative initiated an investigation of China's targeting the maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors for dominance. See 89 FR 29424 (April 22, 2024). The U.S. Trade Representative also requested consultations with the government of China pursuant to Section 303 of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2413). The government of China declined to hold consultations regarding the investigation under this statutory framework.

The notice of initiation solicited written comments on, *inter alia*:

- China's acts, policies, and practices targeting the maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors for dominance.
- Whether China's acts, policies, and practices targeting the maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors for dominance are unreasonable or discriminatory.
- China's efforts to dominate the global maritime, logistics, and shipbuilding sectors, including the upstream and downstream supply chain, as well as shipping services.
- Information on other acts, policies, and practices of China relating to the maritime, logistics and shipbuilding sectors.

¹ The five labor union petitioners are: the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO CLC (USW), the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers, AFL-CIO/CLC (IBB), the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM), and the Maritime Trades Department of the AFL-CIO (MTD).