

32.4), reverse stress testing requirements in accordance with Regulatory Technical Standards Article 49, and the resources the clearing house will treat as available for liquidity management purposes. ICE Clear Europe also contends that the LRMF specifies further procedures concerning liquidity shortfalls and replenishment, complementing the provisions set forth in the Liquidity Plan and specifies procedures for internal review and governance over the liquidity policies, as well as procedures for exceptions and breaches of risk tolerance or risk appetite levels.

III. Discussion and Commission Findings

Section 19(b)(2)(C) of the Act⁶ directs the Commission to approve a proposed rule change of a self-regulatory organization if the Commission finds that such proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to such self-regulatory organization. Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act⁷ requires, among other things, that the rules of a clearing agency are designed to promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions and, to the extent applicable, derivative agreements, contracts, and transactions, to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in the custody or control of the clearing agency or for which it is responsible and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A of the Act⁸ and the rules thereunder applicable to ICE Clear Europe. The revised policies address the liquidity resources and procedures for testing the adequacy of those resources in a range of scenarios, including scenarios involving extreme but plausible market conditions. Furthermore, the revised policies would provide further clarity as to the steps ICE Clear Europe may take when confronted with a potential liquidity shortfall or similar event. The proposed revisions are thereby reasonably designed to enhance the ability of the clearing house to assess potential liquidity events that may impact its ability to conduct settlements for cleared transactions and its ability to avoid or manage such events and continue clearing house operations. As such, the Commission believes that the

changes will promote the prompt and accurate settlement of securities and derivatives transactions, and therefore are consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to ICE Clear Europe, in particular, to Section 17(A)(b)(3)(F).

IV. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act and in particular with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act⁹ and the rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,¹⁰ that the proposed rule change (File No. SR-ICEEU-2014-12) be, and hereby is, approved.¹¹

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹²

Kevin M. O'Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change Relating To Include Additional Specificity Within Rule 1.5 and Chapter XI Regarding Current System Functionality Including the Operation of Order Types and Order Instructions

September 11, 2014.

On July 16, 2014, EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGX") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend Rule 1.5 and Chapter XI of its rule book to include additional specificity regarding the current functionality of the Exchange's System,³

including the operation of its order types and order instructions, and to describe certain new system functionality. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on July 31, 2014.⁴ The Commission received one comment letter.⁵

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁶ provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether these proposed rule changes should be disapproved. The 45th day for this filing is September 14, 2014.

The Commission is extending the 45-day time period for Commission action on the proposed rule change. The Commission finds that it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider and take action on the Exchange's proposed rule change.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)(A)(ii)(I) of the Act⁷ and for the reasons stated above, the Commission designates October 29, 2014, as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR-EDGX-2014-18).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

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Deputy Secretary.

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designated by the Board through which securities orders of Users are consolidated for ranking, execution and, when applicable, routing away."

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 72676 (July 25, 2014), 79 FR 44520.

⁵ See Letter from Suzanne H. Shatto, dated August 19, 2014.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(A)(ii)(I).

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(C).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹¹ In approving the proposed rule change, the Commission considered the proposal's impact on efficiency, competition and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

¹⁵ Exchange Rule 1.5(cc) defines "System" as "the electronic communications and trading facility