• Send an email to rule-comments@ sec.gov. Please include file number SR-NASDAQ-2023-035 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-2023-035. 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 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-NASDAQ-2023-035 and should be submitted on or before October 24.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.63

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-98566; File No. SR-CboeBZX-2023-0691

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for **Commission Action on a Proposed** Rule Change To List and Trade Shares of the VanEck Ethereum ETF Under BZX Rule 14.11(e)(4), Commodity-**Based Trust Shares**

September 27, 2023.

On September 6, 2023, Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. ("BZX" or "Exchange") 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 list and trade shares of the VanEck Ethereum ETF under BZX Rule 14.11(e)(4), Commodity-Based Trust Shares. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on September 26, 2023.3 The Commission has received no comments on the proposal.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act 4 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 the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day after publication of the notice for this proposed rule change is November 10, 2023. The Commission is extending this 45-day time period.

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change and the issues raised therein. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,5 designates December 25, 2023, as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed

rule change (File No. SR-CboeBZX-2023-069).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.6

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-98557 File No. SR-CBOE-2023-018]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission **Action on Proceedings To Determine** Whether To Approve or Disapprove a **Proposed Rule Change To Make** Permanent the Operation of Its Flexible **Exchange Options Pilot Program Regarding Permissible Settlement Values for FLEX Index Options**

September 27, 2023.

On April 10, 2023, Choe Exchange, Inc. ("Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to make permanent the operation of its Flexible Exchange Options ("FLEX Options") pilot program ("Pilot Program'') regarding permissible exercise settlement values for FLEX Index Options. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on April 28, 2023.3 On June 8, 2023, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁴ the Commission designated a longer period within which to approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.⁵ On July 19, 2023, the Commission instituted proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act 6 to

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

²¹⁷ CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 98457 (Sept. 20, 2023), 88 FR 66076.

^{4 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

^{5 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

^{6 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

^{2 17} CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 97368 (April 24, 2023), 88 FR 26353, (April 28, 2023) ("Notice").

^{4 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 97672 (June 8, 2023), 88 FR 38930 (June 14, 2023). The Commission designated July 20, 2023, as the date by which it should approve, disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.

^{6 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

^{63 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).