The Exchange believes that its proposal to debit NSCC accounts is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it will apply to all BX members in a uniform manner. Today, the debit process is applied to all Options Participants.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. With this proposal, the proposed debit process would apply uniformly to all BX members as it does today with all Options Participants.

Further, this proposal would provide a cost savings to the Exchange in that it would alleviate administrative processes related to the collection of monies owed to the Exchange for BX members conducting an equities business, as it does today for BX Options Participants. Collection matters divert staff resources away from the Exchange's regulatory and business purposes. In addition, the debiting process would prevent BX member accounts from becoming overdue.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; does not impose any significant burden on competition; and by its terms does not become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) <sup>13</sup> of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder. <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: 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 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. Please include File Number SR–BX–2014–050 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-BX-2014-050. 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 Web site (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 Web site 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 such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BX-2014-050, and should be submitted on or before November 24, 2014.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{15}$ 

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-73453; File No. SR-NYSEARCA-2014-118]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Amending NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.16(f)(v) To Provide That Proactive if Locked Modifiers Will Be Ignored for Short Sale Orders During a Short Sale Period

October 28, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) ¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") ² and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,³ notice is hereby given that, on October 15, 2014, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") 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 self-regulatory organization. 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 NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.16(f)(v) to provide that Proactive if Locked Modifiers will be ignored for short sale orders during a Short Sale Period. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at 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 self-regulatory organization 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

<sup>13 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>14 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>15 17</sup> CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78a.

<sup>3 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4.

of those 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 parts of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

### 1. Purpose

The Exchange is proposing to amend NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.16(f)(v) ("Rule 7.16") to provide that Proactive if Locked Modifiers will be ignored for short sale orders during a Short Sale Period.

Rule 7.16(f) sets forth how the Exchange handles short sale orders when the provisions of paragraph (b)(1) of Rule 201 of Regulation SHO are in effect.4 Rule 7.16(f)(b)(ii)(sic) provides that the Exchange will not execute or display a short sale order for a covered security, as defined in Rule 201 of Regulation SHO, at a price that is less than or equal to the current national best bid ("NBB") if the listing market for such security has determined that the price of the covered security decreased by 10% or more from the prior day's closing price ("Short Sale Price Test"). Consistent with paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of Rule 201 of Regulation SHO, 5 Exchange Rule 7.16(f)(iv) defines a Short Sale Period as the period during which sell orders marked short are subject to a Short Sale Price Test. Rule 7.16(f)(v)further specifies how the Exchange handles short sale orders during the Short Sale Period.

The Exchange proposes to add new Rule 7.16(f)(v)(G) to specify how the Exchange will handle short sale orders that include a Proactive if Locked Modifier during a Short Sale Period. As defined in Rule 7.31(hh), a Proactive if Locked Modifier is available for limit orders and if so designated, the Exchange will route the order to another market center pursuant to Rule 7.37(d) for the away market's displayed size in the instance in which the other market center has locked the order and the locking market has not resolved the locked market situation in a timely manner based upon average response times from other market centers. If the order routed from the Exchange to another market center is not executed in its entirety, the Exchange shall post the order or portion thereof on the Exchange's book. Proactive if Locked

Modifiers are only available for Exchange-listed securities.

As proposed, the Exchange will ignore Proactive if Locked Modifiers applied to short sale orders for a security that is in a Short Sale Period. The Exchange believes that it is appropriate to ignore the Proactive if Locked Modifier for short sale orders during a Short Sale Period because it would reduce the possibility that the Exchange will route a short sale order priced at or below the NBB to another market center. Instead, the Exchange will handle the short sale order consistent with the existing provisions of Rule 7.16(f)(v), as applicable, which may include re-pricing the order to a Permitted Price 6 or rejecting the order, if so designated by the ETP Holder.7

The Exchange will announce the implementation date of the systems functionality associated with the proposed rule change by Trader Update to be published no later than 30 days following the effective date. The implementation date will be no later than 30 days following the issuance of the Trader Update.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5),<sup>9</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that ignoring the Proactive if Locked Modifier for short sale orders during a Short Sale Period will remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market because it will reduce the possibility that the Exchange will route a sell short order priced at or below the NBB to another market center. Rule 201(b)(1)(i) of Regulation SHO 10 requires that a trading center prevent the execution or display of a short sale order at a price that is less than or equal to the NBB, but is silent on whether a trading center can route a short sale order during a Short Sale Period that is priced less than or equal to the NBB. The Exchange believes, however, that it is appropriate and promotes just and equitable principles of trade to reduce the possibility that the Exchange would route a sell short order during a Short Sale Period that is priced less than or equal to the NBB, as the receiving away market would otherwise be required to prevent the display or execution of such order consistent with Rule 201 of Regulation SHO. The Exchange therefore believes that by ignoring Proactive if Locked Modifiers for short sale orders during a Short Sale Period, the Exchange would comply with Rule 201 of Regulation SHO by handling the order consistent with other provisions of Rule 7.16(f)(v) and not shift that responsibility to an away market.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange believes the proposed rule change removes a burden on competition because it reduces the possibility that the Exchange would route a sell short order during a Short Sale Period that is priced less than or equal to the NBB, which otherwise would have shifted the responsibility for that sell short order to an away market. As proposed, the Exchange would instead be responsible for handling that sell short order, consistent with existing Rule 7.16(f)(v) and Rule 201 of Regulation SHO.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

## III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act 11 and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder. 12 Because the proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)

<sup>4 17</sup> CFR 242.201(b)(1).

<sup>5 17</sup> CFR 242.201(b)(1)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A Permitted Price is one minimum price increment above the NBB. Rule 7.16(b)(v)(C).

<sup>7</sup> See Rule 7.16(b)(v)(A).

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

<sup>9 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 242.201(b)(1)(i)

<sup>11 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

<sup>12 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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 under Section 19(b)(2)(B) 13 of the Act 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. Please include File Number SR-NYSEARCA-2014-118 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-NYSEARCA-2014-118. 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 Web site (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 Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090. Copies of the filing will also be available for

inspection and copying at the NYSE's principal office and on its Internet Web site at www.nyse.com. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NYSEARCA–2014–118 and should be submitted on or before November 24, 2014.

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

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Make Changes to Settlement Procedures Regarding Seven CME Cleared OTC FX Spot, Forward and Swap Contracts

October 28, 2014.

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 October 20, 2014, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME") 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 primarily by CME. CME filed the proposal pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act,3 and Rule 19b-4(f)(4)(ii) 4 thereunder, so that the proposal was effective upon filing with the Commission. 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

CME is proposing rule changes that are limited to its business as a derivatives clearing organization ("DCO"). More specifically, the proposed rule change contains amendments to certain aspects of CME's settlement procedures for seven of CME's Cleared Over-the-Counter ("OTC") Foreign Exchange ("FX") Spot, Forward and Swap Contracts.

## II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, CME 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. CME has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of these statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

CME is registered as a DCO with the **Commodity Futures Trading** Commission ("CFTC") and offers clearing services for many different futures and swaps products. The proposed rule changes that are the subject of this filing are limited to CME's business as a DCO offering clearing services for CFTC-regulated swaps products. CME currently offers clearing services for cleared-only OTC FX contracts on a number of different currency pairs. These CME Cleared OTC FX Spot, Forward and Swap Contracts are non-deliverable foreign currency forward contracts and, as such, are considered to be "swaps" under applicable regulatory definitions.<sup>5</sup> CME proposes to make amendments to five of these contracts.

The amendments would impact the following CME contracts and associated rules:

- Rule 270H.02.A. Day of Cash Settlement of Cleared OTC U.S. Dollar/ Chinese Renminbi (USD/RMB) Spot, Forwards and Swaps (Rulebook Chapter 270H: Commodity Code: USDCNY); Rule 270H.02.B.—Procedures if No Cash Settlement Price is Available for the USD/RMB Cleared OTC Spot, Forwards and Swaps Contracts;
- Rule 271H.02.A. Day of Cash Settlement of Cleared OTC U.S. Dollar/

<sup>13 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4. <sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>4 17</sup> CFR 240.19b–4(f)(4)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Commodity Futures Trading Commission and Securities and Exchange Commission Joint Final Rule Defining "Swap," "Security-Based Swap," and "Security-Based Swap Agreement," Mixed Swaps; Security-Based Swap Agreement Recordkeeping, 77 FR 48207, 48255 (August 13, 2012).