

these types of orders would further align the exclusion of Professional-to-Professional orders with the exclusion of Customer-to-Customer and Customer-to-Professional orders from receiving a QCC Rebate.

The Exchange's proposal does not place on undue burden on inter-market competition because the QCC order type is similar on other options exchanges³⁶ and these exchanges may also file to eliminate the distinction between Customers and Professionals for the QCC order type.

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.³⁷

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 (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-Phlx-2016-52 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.

³⁶ See Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated's Fees Schedule and Miami International Securities Exchange LLC's Pricing Schedule.

³⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2016-52. 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 the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office 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-Phlx-2016-52 and should be submitted on or before May 19, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.³⁸

Brent J. Fields,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-77694; File No. SR-BOX-2016-17]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BOX Options Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Fee Schedule on the BOX Market LLC ("BOX") Options Facility

April 22, 2016.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on April 12,

³⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

2016, BOX Options Exchange LLC (the "Exchange") 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 Exchange filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁴ which renders the proposal 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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") a proposed rule change to amend the Fee Schedule to amend the BOX Volume Rebate ("BVR") in Section I.B.2 of the Fee Schedule on the BOX Market LLC ("BOX") options facility. While changes to the fee schedule pursuant to this proposal will be effective upon filing, the changes will become operative on April 13, 2016. The text of the proposed rule change is available from the principal office of the Exchange, at the Commission's Public Reference Room and also on the Exchange's Internet Web site at <http://boxexchange.com>.

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 the Fee Schedule for trading on BOX. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to amend the BOX Volume Rebate ("BVR") in Section I.B.2 of the Fee Schedule.

Under the current BVR, the Exchange offers a tiered per contract rebate for all

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

PIP Orders and COPIP Orders of 100 contracts and under. PIP and COPIP executions of 100 contracts and under are awarded a per contract rebate

calculated on a monthly basis by totaling the Participant's PIP and COPIP volume submitted to BOX, relative to the total national Customer volume in

multiply-listed options classes. The current per contract rebate for Participants in PIP and COPIP Transactions under the BVR is:

Tier	Percentage thresholds of national customer volume in multiply-listed options classes (monthly)	Per contract rebate (all account types)	
		PIP	COPIP
1	0.000% to 0.159%	(\$0.00)	(\$0.00)
2	0.160% to 0.339%	(0.04)	(0.02)
3	0.340% to 0.99%	(0.11)	(0.04)
4	1.00% and Above	(0.14)	(0.06)

The Exchange proposes to amend the BVR to apply the rebate to only those PIP Orders and COPIP Orders of 100 and under contracts that do not trade solely with their contra order. The percentage thresholds will continue to be based on all PIP and COPIP volume submitted to BOX, relative to the total national Customer volume in multiply-listed options classes.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act, in general, and Section 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁵ in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among BOX Participants and other persons using its facilities and does not unfairly discriminate between customers, issuers, brokers or dealers.

The Exchange believes the proposed amendments to the BVR are reasonable, equitable and non-discriminatory. The BVR was adopted to attract Public Customer order flow to the Exchange by offering these Participants incentives to submit their PIP and COPIP Orders to the Exchange. The Exchange believes it is reasonable and appropriate to continue to provide incentives for Public Customers, which will result in greater liquidity and ultimately benefit all Participants trading on the Exchange. The Exchange believes providing a rebate to Participants that reach a certain volume threshold is equitable and non-discriminatory as the rebate will apply to all Participants uniformly.

The Exchange believes it is reasonable, equitable and non-discriminatory to apply the BVR to PIP and COPIP Orders that do not trade solely with their contra order. The BVR is intended to incentivize Participants to direct Customer order flow to the Exchange, and the Exchange believes incentives are not necessary for internalized PIP and COPIP Orders that only trade against their contra order.

Additionally, other Exchanges also make this distinction when providing rebates for transactions in their auction mechanisms.⁶

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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange believes the proposed fee changes are reasonably designed to enhance competition in BOX transactions, particularly auction transactions.

The proposed rule change amends the BVR to only provide a rebate when the PIP or COPIP Order does not trade with its contra order. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed change burdens competition and will instead help promote competition by providing additional incentives for market participants to submit customer order flow to BOX and thus, create a greater opportunity for retail customers to receive additional price improvement.

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 Exchange Act⁷ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁸ because it establishes or changes a due, or fee.

⁶ See the International Securities Exchange ("ISE") Fee Schedule. Under the ISE Fee Schedule the initiator receives a "break-up" rebate only for contracts that are submitted to their auction mechanism that do not trade with their contra order.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁸ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend the rule change if it appears to the Commission that the action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or would otherwise further 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-BOX-2016-17 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-BOX-2016-17. 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

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

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 office 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-BOX-2016-17, and should be submitted on or before May 19, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁹

Brent J. Fields,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-77691; File No. SR-BatsEDGX-2016-11]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Bats EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Related to Fees

April 22, 2016.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on April 11, 2016, Bats EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGX") 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 Exchange has designated the proposed rule change as one establishing or changing a member due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁴ which renders the proposed rule change 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

The Exchange filed a proposal to amend the fee schedule applicable to Members⁵ and non-members of the Exchange pursuant to EDGX Rules 15.1(a) and (c) ("Fee Schedule") to amend the Investor Depth Tier under footnote 1.

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's Web site at www.batstrading.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 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 determines the liquidity adding rebate that it will provide to Members using the Exchange's tiered pricing structure. Under such pricing structure, a Member will receive a rebate of anywhere between \$0.0025 and \$0.0034 per share executed, depending on the volume tier for which such Member qualifies. In January 2014, the Exchange adopted the Investor Depth Tier under footnote 1 of the Fee Schedule.⁶ Members who qualify for the Investor Depth Tier receive a rebate of \$0.0033 per share where they: (i) Add an ADV⁷ of at least 0.15% of the TCV;⁸ (ii) have an "added

liquidity" as a percentage of "added plus removed liquidity" of at least 85%; and (3) add an ADV of at least 500,000 share as Non-displayed⁹ orders that yield fee code HA.¹⁰

The Exchange now proposes to amend the Investor Depth Tier to: (i) Decrease the Member's added ADV threshold in Non-Displayed orders from 500,000 shares to 400,000 shares; and (ii) permit a Member's added ADV to include Non-Displayed orders that yield fee codes HI and/or MM, in addition to fee code HA. Fee code HI is appended to Non-Displayed orders that receive price improvement and add liquidity, and fee code MM is appended to Non-Displayed orders that add liquidity using MidPoint Peg Orders.¹¹ Lowering the Member's ADV threshold would encourage Members who cannot meet the tier's current criteria to increase their volume on the Exchange in order to achieve the lower threshold. Also, permitting Non-Displayed orders that yield fee codes HI and/or MM, in addition to fee code HA, to be included as part of the Member's ADV would enable Members that utilize other types of Non-Displayed orders to be included as part of the Members added ADV for purposes to satisfying the Investor Depth Tier. In addition, lowering the ADV threshold, combined with the additional fee codes, necessary to achieve the tier should encourage Members to add displayed liquidity, as only the displayed liquidity in this tier is awarded the enhanced rebate. The remainder of the criteria required to meet the tier as well as the rate offered by the tier would remain unchanged.

The Exchange proposes to implement this amendment to its Fee Schedule immediately.¹²

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act,¹³ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4),¹⁴ in particular, as it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its Members and other persons using its facilities. The Exchange also notes that it operates in

⁹ See Exchange Rule 11.6(e)(2) for the definition of Non-Displayed.

¹⁰ Fee code HA is appended to Non-displayed orders that add liquidity on the Exchange. See the Exchange's Fee Schedule available at http://batstrading.com/support/fee_schedule/edgx/.

¹¹ See Exchange Rule 11.8(d) for a description of MidPoint Peg orders.

¹² The Exchange initially filed the proposed change on April 1, 2016 (SR-BatsEDGX-2016-06). On April 11, 2016, the Exchange withdrew SR-BatsEDGX-2016-06 and submitted this filing).

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

⁵ The term "Member" is defined as "any registered broker or dealer that has been admitted to membership in the Exchange." See Exchange Rule 1.5(n).

⁶ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76816 (January 4, 2016, 81 FR 987 (January 8, 2016) (SR-EDGX-2015-67).

⁷ As defined in the Exchange's Fee Schedule available at http://batstrading.com/support/fee_schedule/edgx/.

⁸ *Id.*