

No. 270–247. Requests for materials submitted to OMB by the Commission with regard to this collection of information should be in writing, with reference to SEC File No. 270–247. Comments must be submitted to the SEC within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: October 28, 2015.

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–76156; File No. SR–BYX–2015–43]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BATS Y-Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Rule 3.22, Concerning Gifts and Gratuities in Relation to the Business of the Employer of the Recipient, and Renaming the Rule “Influencing or Rewarding Employees of Others”

October 15, 2015.

Correction

In notice document 2015–26577, appearing on pages 63624–63626 in the issue of Tuesday, October 20, 2015, make the following correction:

On page 63626, in the third column, in the twenty-eighth line from the top, “October 23, 2015” should read “November 10, 2015”.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–76291; File No. SR–NYSEArca–2015–76]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on a Proposed Rule Change To List and Trade Shares of the Global Currency Gold Fund Under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.201

October 28, 2015.

On August 28, 2015, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the “NYSE Arca” 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

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

change to list and trade shares of the Global Currency Gold Fund under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.201. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on September 16, 2015.³ On September 29, 2015, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.⁴

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁵ 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 Commission is extending this 45-day time period. 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 the proposed rule change.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ designates December 15, 2015, 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 Number SR–NYSEArca–2015–76).

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

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services,

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 75900 (September 11, 2015), 80 FR 55674 (SR–NYSEArca–2015–76).

⁴ In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange: (1) identified weightings of each currency referenced in the Index; (2) supplemented its description of the method of calculation for the Spot Rate; (3) clarified when the Fund may suspend the right of redemption or postpone the redemption settlement date. Amendment No. 1 is available at: <http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro/nysearca/2015/34-75900-amendment1.pdf>.

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(31).

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Extension: Rule 17Ad–2(c), (d), and (h); SEC File No. 270–149, OMB Control No. 3235–0130.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17Ad–2(c), (d), and (h), (17 CFR 240.17Ad–2(c), (d), and (h)), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Rule 17Ad–2(c), (d), and (h) enumerates the requirements with which registered transfer agents must comply to inform the Commission or the appropriate regulator of a transfer agent’s failure to meet the minimum performance standards set by the Commission rule by filing a notice.

The Commission receives approximately 3 notices a year pursuant to Rule 17Ad–2(c), (d), and (h). The estimated annual time burden of these filings on respondents is minimal in view of: (a) The readily available nature of most of the information required to be included in the notice (since that information must be compiled and retained pursuant to other Commission rules); and (b) the summary fashion in which such information must be presented in the notice (most notices are one page or less in length). In light of the above, and based on the experience of the staff regarding the notices, the Commission staff estimates that, on average, most notices require approximately one-half hour to prepare. Thus, the Commission staff estimates that the industry-wide total time burden is approximately 1.5 hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in

writing within 60 days of this publication.

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.

Please direct your written comments to: Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549, or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

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Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-76289; File No. SR-NSCC-2015-008]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Provide Additional Details Regarding the Requirement that Members Participate in Annual Testing of Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plans

October 28, 2015.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) and Rule 19b-4² thereunder, notice is hereby given that on October 23, 2015, National Securities Clearing Corporation (“NSCC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by NSCC. NSCC filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)³ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)⁴ thereunder. The proposed rule change 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. Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The proposed rule change consists of a change to NSCC’s Rule 2B of the Rules and Procedures (“Rules”) of NSCC to provide additional details regarding the requirement that Members participate in

annual testing of NSCC’s business continuity and disaster recovery plans (“BCP Testing”), as more fully described below.⁵

II. Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

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

(A) Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The proposed rule change would amend NSCC’s Rule 2B (Ongoing Membership Requirements and Monitoring) to provide additional details regarding the requirement that NSCC Members participate in NSCC’s annual BCP Testing. Currently, pursuant to Addendum B of the Rules, an applicant is qualified for membership with NSCC if it is “able to satisfactorily communicate with the Corporation and fulfill anticipated commitments to and meet the operational requirements of the Corporation with necessary promptness and accuracy and to conform to any condition and requirement that the Corporation reasonably deems necessary for its protection.”⁶ Once a firm becomes a Member of NSCC, NSCC Rule 2B provides that Members may be required to fulfill certain operational testing requirements that may be imposed by NSCC to test and monitor the continuing operational capability of the Members.⁷

Recently, the Commission promulgated Regulation Systems Compliance and Integrity (“Reg. SCI”), which requires NSCC to establish standards to designate members⁸ and

⁵ Terms not otherwise defined herein have the meaning set forth in NSCC’s Rules, available at <http://www.dtcc.com/legal/rules-and-procedures.aspx>.

⁶ Addendum B, Section 1(C) of NSCC’s Rules, *supra*, note 5.

⁷ NSCC Rule 2B, Section 3, *supra*, note 5.

⁸ 17 CFR 242.1004(a). In adopting Reg. SCI, the Commission determined not to require covered entities to notify the Commission of its designations or the standards that will be used in designating members, recognizing instead that each entity’s standards, designations, and updates, if applicable, would be part of its records and, therefore, available to the Commission and its staff upon request. See

requires participation by such designated members in scheduled BCP Testing with NSCC on an annual basis.⁹ Although NSCC already conducts annual BCP Testing with certain Members,¹⁰ NSCC is proposing to amend Rule 2B to further describe NSCC’s requirement with respect to BCP Testing.

The proposed amendments to Rule 2B would increase transparency regarding BCP Testing, and ensure NSCC’s practice with respect to such testing is consistent with Reg. SCI by setting forth NSCC’s rights to: (i) Designate Members required to participate in BCP Testing using established standards; (ii) determine the scope and reporting of such BCP Testing; and (iii) require Members to comply with such BCP Testing within specified timeframes. In connection with these proposed amendments, NSCC would refine the factors that it currently uses to designate Members for BCP Testing. For example, while NSCC would continue to rely on activity-based thresholds to mandate participation with annual BCP Testing, NSCC would also take into account additional factors when designating firms for BCP Testing, including, but not limited to: (i) Significant operational issues of the Member during the past twelve months; and (ii) past performance of the Member with respect to BCP Testing. Members would be informed of the specific standards that would be used by NSCC, along with any updates or changes to these standards, which would be applied on a prospective basis, through established methods of communication between NSCC and its Members. Likewise, Members would be notified in advance that they have been designated to participate in BCP Testing for the upcoming year, and would be provided details concerning the nature of such testing as the particular test plans are determined.

NSCC believes the proposed rule change would have no impact on NSCC Members relative to what Members are currently required to do. As described above, NSCC already requires certain Members to participate in BCP Testing on an annual basis. The proposed rule change would provide further clarity with respect to these requirements for consistency with Reg. SCI.

Securities and Exchange Act Release No. 73639 (November 19, 2014), 79 FR 72252 (December 5, 2014) (File No. S7-01-13).

⁹ 17 CFR 242.1004(a) and (b).

¹⁰ NSCC Rule 2B, Section 3, *supra*, note 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)(6).