SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Certificate of Incorporation of Its Parent Company

December 8, 2015.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,2 the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared 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–Phlx–2015–94, and should be submitted on or before January 4, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.18

Brent J. Fields, Secretary.

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1. Purpose

On May 21, 2015, CBOE Holdings’ stockholders approved proposed amendments to the Certificate. On October 22 [sic], 2015, in accordance with Article Eleventh of the Certificate, the Exchange submitted a rule filing proposing to make the approved amendments to the Certificate.3 The Exchange notes however, that it inadvertently omitted in its rule filing two changes to the Certificate in the Exhibit 5 that had been approved by CBOE Holdings’ shareholders. In order to conform the current Certificate to the Certificate approved by CBOE Holdings’ shareholders in May 2015, CBOE Holdings proposes to correct the omitted changes. First, in Article Third, the Exchange had omitted to eliminate the word “other” from the following language “The nature of the business or purposes to be conducted or promoted by the Corporation is to engage in any other lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the GCL.” The Exchange believes that the reference to “other” in this section is unnecessary and that the change is non-substantive and clarifying in nature. The Exchange notes that the proposed change does not affect the rights of shareholders.

Next, CBOE Holdings proposes to correct an error related to the ownership concentration limitation. Particularly, CBOE Holdings had proposed to remove references to the 10% ownership concentration limitation applicable to CBOE Holdings’ initial public offering (“IPO”) in 2010, as discussed in SR–CBOE–2015–092.4 This change did not change the current ownership concentration limitation, which is 20%. In Article Sixth, subparagraph (b)(iii), the Exchange inadvertently omitted references to both 10% and 20%. Specifically, the language “10% or 20% (as applicable at such time)” was eliminated in its entirety. CBOE Holdings notes that only “10% or” and “(as applicable at such time)” should have been eliminated (i.e., reference to 20% should have remained). Accordingly, CBOE Holdings proposes to add “20%”, the current ownership concentration limitation, back into Article Sixth, Subparagraph (b)(iii).


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

1. Purpose

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.

2. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the certificate of incorporation of its parent company, CBOE Holdings, Inc. (“CBOE Holdings”). The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s Web site (http://www.cboe.com/AboutCBOE/ CBOELegalRegulatoryHome.aspx), at the Exchange’s Office of the Secretary, 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

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The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to the Exchange and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) requirements that an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

Additionally, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) requirements that the rules of an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) requirements that the rules of an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The two proposed edits do not raise any new or novel issues, and allowing these edits to be made without further delay will allow CBOE to promptly update the Certificate of Incorporation of CBOE Holdings that CBOE failed to correctly mark in the recent filing it submitted to seek effectiveness of the overall package of shareholder-approved changes.

The Commission believes that waiving the 5 business day pre-filing requirement and the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, as it will allow two non-controversial proposed conforming edits to the CBOE Holdings Certificate of Incorporation to take effect without delay. The Commission notes CBOE previously filed to amend the Certificate and that filing has since become effective. CBOE represents that the change to Article Sixth corrects an obvious typographical error, as the language continued to reference the ownership concentration limit but failed to include the limit's numerical expression. That limit is contained elsewhere in Article Sixth (b), including in the opening paragraph. Accordingly, adding a reference to the long-standing "20%" back to paragraph (b)(iii) is a conforming edit to fill an obvious gap created by a rule text marking error in CBOE's recent filing. The two proposed edits do not raise any new or novel issues, and allowing these edits to be made without further delay will allow CBOE to promptly update the Certificate of Incorporation of CBOE Holdings. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposed rule change to be operative upon filing.

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);
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2015–110 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–CBOE–2015–110. 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 For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has also considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).
SUMMARY:

This notice provides advance notification to State Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) programs of the general types of information we anticipate requiring that the State programs include in their monthly electronic reports of ABLE account balances and distributions. We are also requesting information from the public and State ABLE programs about these general types of information and whether these electronic reports should include any other information.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 13, 2016.

ADDRESS: You may submit comments by any one of three methods—Internet, fax, or mail. Do not submit the same comments multiple times or by more than one method. No matter which method you choose, please state that your comments refer to Docket No. SSA–2015–0059 so that we may associate your comments with the correct document.

Caution: You should be careful to include in your comments only information that you wish to make publicly available. We strongly urge you not to include in your comments any personal information, such as Social Security numbers or medical information.

117 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12) and (59).

1. Internet: We strongly recommend that you submit your comments via the Internet. Please visit the Federal eRulemaking portal at http://www.regulations.gov. Use the Search function to find docket number [SSA–2015–0059]. The system will issue you a tracking number to confirm your submission. You will not be able to view your comment immediately because we must post each comment manually. It may take up to a week for your comment to be viewable.

2. Fax: Fax comments to (410) 966–2830.

3. Mail: Address your comments to the Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, 3100 West High Rise Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21235–6401.

Comments are available for public viewing on the Federal eRulemaking portal at http://www.regulations.gov or in person, during regular business hours, by arranging with the contact person identified below.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Stephen Beck, Jr., Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014 (ABLE Act) was enacted on December 19, 2014, as part of the Tax Increase Prevention Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–295). The ABLE Act permits a State, or an agency or instrumentality of a State, to establish and maintain a new type of savings program, called an ABLE program. Under an ABLE program, contributions can be made to a tax-advantaged ABLE account that is established for the purpose of providing secure funding for disability-related expenses on behalf of the account’s designated beneficiary that will supplement but not supplant benefits provided through other sources. The designated beneficiary of an ABLE account, who is also the owner of the account, must have been disabled or blind prior to his or her attaining age 26. The ABLE Act further provides that the Social Security Administration will exclude the first $100,000 in an ABLE account—for any period when the designated beneficiary maintains, makes contributions to, or receives distributions from his or her ABLE account—for purposes of the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. We shall also exclude distributions for qualified non-housing-related disability expenses for purposes of the SSI program.

Section 529A(d)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code provides that “States shall submit electronically on a monthly basis to the Commissioner of Social Security, in the manner specified by the Commissioner, statements on relevant distributions and account balances from all ABLE accounts.” Before accepting these electronic reports, we will enter into a data exchange agreement with each State. This agreement will specify the content, format, and the security and privacy requirements for these reports. However, we recognize that general guidance in advance of entering into these agreements may be helpful to the States as they design their ABLE programs, and we do not want uncertainty concerning these reports to delay the States’ implementing their programs. Therefore, we are issuing this advance notice to inform State ABLE programs of the general types of information we anticipate requesting that they include in their monthly reports of ABLE account balances and distributions.

NOTICE: We currently anticipate that our data exchange agreements will require that the States provide in their monthly electronic reports information, concerning each ABLE account:

• Name of the designated beneficiary;
• Social Security number of the designated beneficiary;
• date of birth of the designated beneficiary;
• name of the person who has signature authority (if different from the designated beneficiary);
• unique account number assigned by the State to the ABLE account;
• account opened date;
• account closed date;
• balance as of the first moment of the month (that is, the balance as of 12:00 a.m. local time on the first of the month):
  • date of each distribution in the reporting period; and
  • amount of each distribution in the reporting period.

Dated: December 4, 2015.

Carolyn W. Colvin,
Acting Commissioner of Social Security.

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