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.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following Web site: www.reginfo.gov. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or by sending an email to: shogufahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to PRA Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: February 8, 2015.

Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ PHXL LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Delete Obsolete Rules 1000C–1009C

February 8, 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 February 1, 2016, NASDAQ PHXL LLC (“Phlx” or the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III, below, which items have been prepared by the Exchange. 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


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

PHXL FOREX Options™

The Exchange’s rules for listing and trading PHXL FOREX Options were approved by the Commission in 2012 3 but were never in fact listed or traded on Phlx. The Exchange has no current intention to list or trade PHXL FOREX Options in the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the Exchange proposes to delete the caption “Rules Applicable to Trading of PHXL FOREX Options (Rules 1000C–1009C)” as well as Rules 1000C through 1009C dealing solely with PHXL FOREX Options.

The Exchange also proposes to make conforming changes to Phlx Option Floor Procedure Advises F–6, Option Quote Parameters, and F–15, Minor Infractions of Position/Exercise Limits and Hedge Exemptions, removing language which is specific to PHXL FOREX Options.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act 4 in general, and further the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act 5 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 a national market system, and, in general to protect investors and the public interest. In particular, this proposed change removes from the Phlx rulebook the rules applicable to PHXL FOREX Options and makes conforming changes as needed to certain other rules. The rule language to be deleted is not relevant or necessary because it deals solely with PHXL FOREX Options which were never listed or traded on the Exchange. Removing this rule language from the Phlx rulebook will help eliminate potential member and investor confusion about products listed and traded on Phlx.

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 proposed change is not designed to address any competitive issue but would merely remove rule language relating to PHXL FOREX Options that is not relevant to the Exchange’s business in any respect.

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: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) 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


3 See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 66616 (March 16, 2012) 77 FR 16679 (March 22, 2012) (SR–Phlx–2012–11) (Order Granting Approval of Proposed Rule Change Regarding the Listing and Trading of PHXL FOREX OptionsTM). In the approval order the Commission approved listing and trading of PHXL FOREX Options the British pound, the Swiss franc, the Canadian dollar, the Australian dollar, the New Zealand dollar, and the Euro. These six foreign currencies also underlie another type of foreign currency option that is currently listed and traded on the Exchange (referred to as either “FCOs” or World Currency Options, “WCOs”). The primary difference between FCOs and the PHXL FOREX Options is the pricing convention of PHXL FOREX Options, which resembles the “spot market pricing” on the underlying currencies. The proposal to delist the PHXL FOREX OptionsTM does not affect the continued listing and trading of FCOs on the Exchange.
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–2016–16 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–Phlx–2016–16. 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–2016–16 and should be submitted on or before March 4, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.\(^6\)
Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 31988; File No. 812–14558]
State Farm Associates’ Funds Trust, et al.; Notice of Application

February 8, 2016.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”).

ACTION: Notice of an application for an order under section 12(d)(1)(J) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “Act”) for an exemption from sections 12(d)(1)(A), (B), and (C) of the Act and under sections 6(c) and 17(b) of the Act for an exemption from sections 17(a)(1) and (2) of the Act. The requested order would permit certain registered open-end investment companies to acquire shares of certain registered open-end investment companies, registered closed-end investment companies, and registered unit investment trusts (collectively, “Underlying Funds”) that are within and outside the same group of investment companies as the acquiring investment companies, in excess of the limits in section 12(d)(1) of the Act.

Applicants: State Farm Associates’ Funds Trust, State Farm Mutual Fund Trust and State Farm Variable Product Trust, each a Delaware statutory trust and registered under the Act as an open-end management investment company with multiple series (each, a “Trust”); State Farm Investment Management Corp. (“SFIMC”), a Delaware corporation registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; and State Farm VP Management Corp., a Delaware corporation, registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”).

DATES: Filing Dates: The application was filed on October 2, 2015, and amended on January 5, 2016.

Hearing or Notification of Hearing: An order granting the requested relief will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission’s Secretary and serving applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on March 4, 2016 and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicants, in the form of an affidavit, or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Pursuant to Rule 0–5 under the Act, hearing requests should state the nature of the writer’s interest, any facts bearing upon the desirability of a hearing on the matter, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission’s Secretary.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean E. Minarick, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551–6811, or Daniele Marchesani, Branch Chief, at (202) 551–6821 (Division of Investment Management, Chief Counsel’s Office).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission’s Web site by searching for the file number, or for an applicant using the Company name box, at http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm, or by calling (202) 551–8090.

Summary of the Application

1. Applicants request an order to permit (a) a Fund \(^1\) to 4a Fund of


\(^{7}\) 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b–4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.