

special characteristics of the recommended transaction and is financially able to bear the risks of the recommended transaction.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5)<sup>10</sup> of the Act, which requires that an exchange have rules that are 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.

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

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purpose of the Act. The CHX seeks to trade issues already trading on another exchange and believes that this increased competition among markets can benefit investors.

### *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: (1) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (2) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (3) does not become operative for 30 days from the date of filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest; provided that the CHX has given written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing the rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section

19(b)(3)(A)<sup>11</sup> of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>12</sup> thereunder.<sup>13</sup>

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) may not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing. However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The CHX seeks to have the proposed rule change become operative on October 16, 2000, in order to allow the CHX to immediately trade, pursuant to unlisted trading privileges, shares of streetTRACKS Dow Jones Global Titans Index Fund. The Shares are already being traded on the Amex.

The Commission believes that it is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest that the proposed rule change become operative immediately as of October 16, 2000.<sup>14</sup> At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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.

## 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. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statement 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the CHX. All submissions should refer to File No.

<sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(30)(A).

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

<sup>13</sup> As required under Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii), the Exchange provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change.

<sup>14</sup> For purposes only of accelerating the operative date of this proposal, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

SR-CHX-00-33 and should be submitted by November 24, 2000.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>15</sup>

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### **Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change by the International Securities Exchange LLC, Relating to Fee Changes**

October 26, 2000.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on September 12, 2000, the International Securities Exchange LLC (the "Exchange" or the "ISE") 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 ISE. 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 ISE is proposing various changes to its fee schedule: (i) To provide discounts for multiple "Click" terminals; (ii) to establish a fee for "trade review terminals"; (iii) to clarify the application of execution fee discounts; (iv) to reflect that the ISE collects its "membership" or access fee on a monthly, rather than quarterly, basis; and (v) to permit the ISE to collect its regulatory fee on an annual, rather than quarterly, basis. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the ISE and at the Commission.

#### **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 ISE included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any

<sup>15</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 73s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>10</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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 ISE 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*

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to effect the following changes in the ISE's fees:

*Discounts:* A Click terminal is a device that ISE Electronic Access Members ("EAMs") can use to enter orders on the ISE. The current ISE fee schedule imposes a flat monthly fee of \$500 per terminal and \$250 for each application program interface ("API") associated with a terminal. This structure can act as a disincentive for EAMs to utilize multiple Click terminals. The ISE is adopting a tiered fee schedule with volume discounts for Clicks and APIs that would lower the software fees to half the current charges (from \$500 to \$250) for the sixth Click terminal and all subsequent terminals, and the API fee (from \$250 to \$100) for the sixth and subsequent APIs.

*Trade review devices:* These devices allow a member to "listen" to the broadcast of ISE messages confirming executions effected by the member. Members use these devices for analytical, hedging, risk management, back-office processing and similar purposes. The ISE is establishing monthly "trade review device" fees, including multiple-terminal discounts, that are the same as the Click fees: \$500 for the first five terminals and \$250 per terminal thereafter.

*Execution Fees:* The ISE fee schedule provides for lower execution fees as the Exchange's average daily volume (ADV) increases. There are discounts at ADV of 300,000, 500,000 and 700,000 contracts a day. The amendment to the fee schedule clarifies that the reduced fees apply only to executions above the break-points. For example, at ADV of 550,000 contracts; the \$.21 fee will apply for the first 300,000 contracts; the \$.17 fee will apply for the next 200,000 contracts; and the \$.14 fee will apply for the last 50,000 contracts.

*Membership Dues:* ISE Rule 205 authorizes the Exchange to charge "membership dues," payable on the first day of a calendar quarter. The fee schedule, however, includes monthly "access fees," rather than specific membership dues. The ISE is amending ISE Rule 205 to reflect this, and is not

proposing any changes to the access fees themselves.

*Regulatory Fees:* The ISE fee schedule contains a provision for an annual \$3,500 regulatory fee. ISE Rule 208 currently states that this fee is to be collected on a quarterly basis. The ISE believes that it is an unnecessary administrative burden to bill for and collect this relatively small fee on a quarterly basis. Accordingly, the ISE is eliminating the word "quarterly" from this rule so that it can collect the fee on an annual basis. There are no changes to the fee itself.

The basis for this proposed rule change is the requirement under section 6(b)(4) of the Act<sup>3</sup> that an exchange provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities.

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

The ISE believes that the proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from members or other interested parties.

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

Because the ISE has designated the foregoing proposed rule change as a fee change pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>4</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,<sup>5</sup> the proposal has taken effect upon filing with the Commission. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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.

**IV. Solicitation of Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing,

including whether the proposed rule is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of the ISE. All submissions should refer to SR-ISE-00-08 and should be submitted by November 24, 2000.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>6</sup>

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Changes by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. Relating to an Amendment to the Exchange's Payment for Order Flow Fee and a Rebate for Certain Fees Incurred**

October 25, 2000.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on September 11, 2000, the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Phlx" of the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule changes as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Phlx. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule changes from interested persons.

<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

<sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.