SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Agency Meeting

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Change In the Meeting: Room Change.
The Joint Public Roundtable on Swap Execution Facilities and Security-Based Swap Execution scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 9 a.m. will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room (Room L–006).

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:
The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551–5400.

Dated: September 13, 2010.
Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary.

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change Relating To Expanding the Pilot Rule for Trading Pauses Due to Extraordinary Market Volatility to the Russell 1000® Index and Specified Exchange Traded Products

September 10, 2010.

I. Introduction

On June 30, 2010, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) (1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, a proposed rule change to amend its rules to expand the trading pause pilot in individual stocks comprising the S&P 500® Index ("S&P 500") when the price moves ten percent or more in the preceding five minute period to securities included in the Russell 1000® Index ("Russell 1000") and specified Exchange Traded Products ("ETPs"). The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on July 7, 2010. The Commission received 19 comments on the proposal and on broader issues relating to the effectiveness of the circuit breaker pilot program to date.

The Commission finds that the proposals are consistent with Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act, as it believes that expanding the uniform, market-wide trading pauses will serve to prevent potentially destabilizing price volatility and will thereby help promote the goals of investor protection and just and equitable principles of trade. This order approves the proposed rule change.

II. Description of the Proposals

On May 6, 2010, the U.S. equity markets experienced a severe disruption. Among other things, the prices of a large number of individual securities suddenly declined by significant amounts in a very short time.

The events of May 6 are described more fully in the report of the staffs of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") and the Commission, titled Report of the CFTC and the Commission, Advisory Committee on Emerging Regulatory Issues, Preliminary Findings Regarding the Market Events of May 6, 2010, dated May 18, 2010 ("Joint Report").