

on the new collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this new collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for approval.

The Securities and Exchange Commission has begun the design of a new Electronic Data Collection System database (the Database) and invites comment on the Database that will support information provided by the general public that would like to file a tip or complaint with the SEC. The Database will be a web based e-filed dynamic report based on technology that pre-populates and establishes a series of questions based on the data that the individual enters. The individual will then complete specific information on the subject(s) and nature of the suspicious activity, using the data elements appropriate to the type of complaint or subject. The information collection is voluntary. The first phase of the Database is scheduled to be released as a pilot in December 2010. Any public suggestions that are received during the pilot phase will be reviewed and changes will be considered. The final version will be available Spring 2011. There are no costs associated with this collection. It will be available using the agency's Web site <http://www.sec.gov>. Information is voluntary.

Estimated number of annual responses = 25,000.

Estimated annual reporting burden = 12,500 hours (30 minutes per submission).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden imposed by the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; 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 30 days of this publication.

Background documentation for this new information collection may be viewed at the following Web site, <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Please direct general comments to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or send an e-mail to Shagufta Ahmed at

Shagufta_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov;
Thomas Bayer, Director/CIO, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312; or send an e-mail to: *PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov*.

Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

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Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold a Closed Meeting on Thursday, November 18, 2010 at 3 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(3), (5), (7), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Aguilar, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session, and determined that no earlier notice thereof was possible.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2010 will be:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings;

Consideration of amicus participation; and other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

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.

November 10, 2010.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold its annual forum on small business capital formation on November 18, 2010 beginning at 9 a.m.

The forum will include a panel discussion focusing on selected provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act relating to securities regulation and small business and presentations by private organizations concerned with small business capital formation.

The panel discussion and presentations will take place in the Auditorium of the Commission's headquarters at 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC and will be open to the public with seating on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. Visitors will be subject to security checks.

For further information, please contact Anthony Barone at 202-551-3261.

November 10, 2010.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-63275; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2010-100]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Amending the Applicable Sections of Its Schedules of Fees and Charges for Exchange Services for Both Its Equities and Options Platforms (the "Schedules") To Reflect Fees Charged for Co-location Services

November 8, 2010.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")² and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,³

¹ 15 U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

notice is hereby given that, on November 3, 2010, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. 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 Exchange proposes to amend the applicable sections of its Schedules of Fees and Charges for Exchange Services for both its equities and options platforms (the "Schedules") to reflect fees charged for co-location services as described more fully herein. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange, the Commission's Public Reference Room, on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>, and <http://www.nyse.com>.

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 self-regulatory organization 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 those 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 parts of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend its Schedules to identify fees pertaining to co-location services, which allow Users⁴ of the Exchange to rent space on premises controlled by the Exchange in order that they may locate their electronic servers in close physical proximity to the Exchange's trading and execution systems.⁵ The Exchange plans to offer these co-location services beginning in January 2011 at its data center in Mahwah, New Jersey.⁶ The Exchange will offer space at the data center in cabinets with power usage capability of either four or eight kilowatts (kW).⁷ In addition, the Exchange will offer Users services related to co-location, including cross connections, equipment and cable installation, and remote "hot-hands" services.

Users that receive co-location services from the Exchange will not receive any means of access to the Exchange's trading and execution systems that is separate from or superior to that of Users that do not receive co-location services. All orders sent to the Exchange enter the Exchange's trading and execution systems through the same order gateway regardless of whether the sender is co-located in the Exchange's data center or not. In addition, co-located Users do not receive any market data or data service product that is not available to all Users. However, Users that receive co-location services normally would expect reduced

latencies in sending orders to the Exchange and receiving market data from the Exchange. In addition, co-located Users have the option of obtaining access to the Exchange's Liquidity Center Network ("LCN"), a local area network available in the data center.⁸ Co-located Users have the option of using either the LCN or the Exchange's Secure Financial Transaction Infrastructure ("SFTI") network, to which all Users have access. Because it operates as a local area network within the data center, the LCN provides reduced latencies in comparison with SFTI. Other than the reduced latencies, the Exchange believes that there are no material differences in terms of access to the Exchange between Users that choose to co-locate and those that do not. SFTI and LCN both provide Users with access to the Exchange's trading and execution systems and to the Exchange's proprietary market data products. User access to non-proprietary market data products is available through SFTI and not through LCN.

The Exchange offers co-location space based on availability and the Exchange believes that it has sufficient space in the Mahwah data center to accommodate current demand on an equitable basis for the foreseeable future. In addition, the Exchange believes that any difference among the positions of the cabinets within the data center does not create any material difference to co-location Users in terms of access to the Exchange.

The following charts identify the proposed tiered fees for co-location and the proposed fees for related services.

Initial fee per cabinet	\$5,000
Number of kW's	Per kW fee monthly
4-8	\$1,200
12-20	\$1,050
24-40	\$950
44 +	\$900

⁴ For the purposes of this filing, the term "Users" includes any ETP Holder or Sponsored Participant who is authorized to obtain access to the NYSE Arca Marketplace pursuant to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.29 (see NYSE Arca Equities Rule 1.1(yy)), or any OTP Holder, OTP Firm or Sponsored Participant that is authorized to obtain access to OX pursuant to NYSE Arca Options Rule 6.2A (see NYSE Arca Options Rule 6.1A(a)(19)).

⁵ The Commission has approved proposed rule filings submitted by the Exchange's affiliates, the New York Stock Exchange LLC, and NYSE Amex LLC (with respect to its equities business), to offer the same co-location services from the Mahwah data center at the same prices. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62961 (September 21, 2010), 75 FR 59299 (September 27, 2010) (SR-

NYSE-2010-56); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62960 (September 21, 2010) 75 FR 59310 (September 27, 2010) (SR-NYSEAmex-2010-80).

⁶ The Exchange will announce the effective date of the fees set forth in this proposed rule change through a notice to Users.

⁷ The Exchange also allows Users, for a monthly fee (i.e., 40% of the applicable monthly per kW fee), to obtain an option for future use on available, unused cabinet space in proximity to their existing cabinet space. Specifically, Users may reserve cabinet space of up to 30% of the cabinet space under contract, which the Exchange will endeavor to provide as close as reasonably possible to the User's existing cabinet space, taking into consideration power availability within segments of

the data center and the overall efficiency of use of data center resources as determined by the Exchange. (If the 30% measurement results in a fractional cabinet, the cabinet count is adjusted up to the next increment.) If reserved cabinet space becomes needed for use, the reserving User will have 30 business days to formally contract with the Exchange for full payment for the reserved cabinet space needed or the space will be reassigned.

⁸ As set forth below, pricing for LCN access is provided on a stand-alone basis and on a bundled basis in combination with SFTI connections and optic connections to outside access centers and within the data center. The SFTI and optic connections are not related to the co-location services.

Type of service	Description	Amount of charge
LCN Access	1 GB Circuit	\$6,000 per connection initial charge plus \$5,000 monthly per connection.
LCN Access	10 GB Circuit	\$10,000 per connection.
Bundled Network Access, Option 1 (2 LCN connections, 2 SFTI connections, and 2 optic connections to outside access center).	1 GB Bundle	\$25,000 initial charge plus \$13,000 monthly charge.
	10 GB Bundle	\$50,000 initial charge plus \$47,000 monthly charge.
Bundled Network Access, Option 2 (2 LCN connections, 2 SFTI connections, 1 optic connection to outside access center, and 1 optic connection in data center).	1 GB Bundle	\$26,000 initial charge plus \$16,000 monthly charge.
	10 GB Bundle	\$50,000 initial charge plus \$54,250 monthly charge.
Bundled Network Access, Option 3 (2 LCN Connections, 2 SFTI connections, and 2 optic connections in data center).	1 GB Bundle	\$27,500 initial charge plus \$19,000 monthly charge.
	10 GB Bundle	\$50,000 initial charge plus \$61,500 monthly charge.
Data Center Fiber Cross Connect	Cross connect between a single User's cabinets within the data center.	\$500 per unit initial charge plus \$500 monthly per unit.
Initial Install Services (Required per cabinet)	Includes initial racking of equipment in cabinet and provision of up to 10 cables (4 hrs).	\$800 per cabinet.
Hot Hands Service: Normal Business Hours, Scheduled (Note: Hot Hands Service allows Users to use on-site data center personnel to maintain User equipment.)	Applies on non-NYSE Arca holidays, Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm if scheduled at least 1 day in advance.	\$200 per hour.
Hot Hands Service: Extended Business Hours, Scheduled	Applies Monday to Friday 5pm to 9am, NYSE Arca holidays, and weekends if scheduled at least 1 day in advance.	\$275 per hour.
Hot Hands Service: Normal Business Hours, Expedited	Applies on non-NYSE Arca holidays, Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm if NOT scheduled at least 1 day in advance.	\$250 per hour.
Hot Hands Service: Extended Business Hours, Expedited	Applies Monday to Friday 5pm to 9am, NYSE Arca holidays, and weekends if NOT scheduled at least 1 day in advance.	\$325 per hour.
Rack and Stack	Installation of one server in User's cabinet. Service encompasses handling, unpacking, tagging, and installation of the server as well as 1 network connection within the User rack.	\$200 per server.
Power Recycling	Reboot of power on one server or switch as well as observing and reporting on the status of the reboot back to the User.	\$50 per reset.
Shipping and Receiving	Receipt of one shipment of goods at data center from User/supplier. Includes coordination of shipping and receiving.	\$100 per shipment.
Badge Request	Request for provision of a permanent data center site access badge for a User representative.	\$50 per badge.
External Cabinet Cable Tray	Engineer, furnish and install Rittal 5'H x 12'W cable tray on cabinet.	\$400 per tray.
Custom External Cabinet Cable Tray	Engineer, furnish and install 4" H x 24" W custom basket cable tray above client's cabinet rows.	\$100 per linear foot.
Install and Document Cable	Labor charges to install and document the fitting of a cable(s) in a User's cabinet(s) in excess of the 10 copper cables included in the cabinet installation fee.	\$200 per hour.
Equipment Maintenance Call Escalation	Hardware maintenance-break fix services available through NYSE Arca arrangement with Delta Computer Group.	\$100 per call.
Visitor Security Escort	NYSE Arca employee escort, which is required during User visits to the data center. (Note: all User representatives are required to have a visitor security escort during visits to the data center, including User representatives who have a permanent data center site access badge.)	\$75 per hour.
Technician Support Service-Non Emergency	Network technician equipped to support User network troubleshooting activity and to provide all necessary testing instruments to support the User request. Prior day notice is required.	\$200 per hour.

Type of service	Description	Amount of charge
Technician Support Service-Emergency	Network technician equipped to support User network troubleshooting activity and to provide all necessary testing instruments to support the User request. Two hour notice is required.	\$325 per hour.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),⁹ in general, and Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5), of the Act,¹⁰ in particular, in that it is designed to (i) provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities, and (ii) prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, and to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system. The Exchange believes that the proposed changes to the Schedules are equitable in that they apply fees for comparable co-location services uniformly to our Users. Moreover, the Exchange believes that, as described herein, access to its market is offered on fair and non-discriminatory terms.

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 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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act¹¹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹² Because the

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 prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Commission notes that the co-location fees sought to be codified here are based on filings by the Exchange's affiliates, the New York Stock Exchange LLC and NYSE Amex LLC, which have already been approved by the Commission, and that accelerated approval of the co-location fees will ensure that the co-location services and fees are made available to all interested parties without delay. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposed rule change as operative upon filing.¹³

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.

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:

change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Commission notes that the Exchange satisfied this five-day pre-filing requirement.

¹³ For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NYSEArca-2010-100 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2010-100. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail 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 website 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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such 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-NYSEArca-2010-100 and should be submitted on or before December 7, 2010.

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹² 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

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-63284; File No. SR-EDGX-2010-15]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend EDGX Rules 2.5 and 11.4 To Permit Qualification and Registration of Authorized Traders of Members Pursuant to Certain Foreign Examination Modules Equivalent to the Series 7 Examination

November 9, 2010.

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 October 27, 2010, the EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or the "EDGX") 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 the self-regulatory organization. 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 Exchange proposes to amend Rules 2.5 and 11.4 to permit qualification and registration of Authorized Traders of Members pursuant to certain foreign examination modules equivalent to the Series 7 examination. The Exchange also proposes to make a technical amendment to Rule 2.3. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at <http://www.directedge.com>, at the Commission's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>, at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Public Reference Room of 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 self-regulatory organization 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 self-regulatory organization 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

Exchange Rules 2.5 and 11.4 both state that the Series 7 is required for registration with the Exchange as an Authorized Trader. The purpose of the proposed rule change is to expand the types of exams that may satisfy the Exchange's Series 7 requirement by recognizing foreign examination modules equivalent to the Series 7 examination.

The proposal would reduce duplicative qualification standards that foreign registered representatives encounter to qualify as a U.S. general securities registered representative. For example, the examination modules for the U.K. (Series 17) and Canada (Series 37/38) currently are accepted as equivalent to the U.S. Series 7 by the NYSE, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"), the NASDAQ Stock Market, NYSE AlterNext US [sic], NYSE Arca, the Chicago Board Options Exchange ("CBOE"), and the BATS Exchange, Inc. ("BATS").³

³ See, e.g., Securities Exchange Act Release No. 27967 (May 1, 1990), 55 FR 19124 (May 8, 1990) (approving File No. SR-NYSE-89-22, Series 17); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 36629, International Series Release No. 909 (Dec. 21, 1995), 60 FR 67385, corrected, Securities Exchange Act Release No. 36629A, International Series Release No. 909A (Jan. 4, 1996), 61 FR 744 (Jan. 10, 1996) (approving File No. SR-NYSE-95-29, Series 37 and Series 38); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 36825 (Feb. 9, 1996), 61 FR 6052 (approving File No. SR-NASD-96-04, Series 37 and 38); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 38274 (February 12, 1997), 62 FR 7485 (approving File No. SR-CBOE-97-04, Series 17, 37 and 38); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 38921 (August 11, 1997), 62 FR 44023 (approving File No. SR-AMEX-97-26, Series 17, 37 and 38); see also NASD Rule 1032(a)(2)(B) and (C); NASDAQ Rule 1032(a)(2)(B) and (C); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59292 (January 23, 2009), 74 FR 5690 (January 30, 2009) (approving File No. SR-BATS-2009-003).

The Series 17 version, the United Kingdom—Limited General Securities Registered Representative Examination, is for U.K. registrants who have successfully completed the basic exam of the U.K. and who are in good standing with the Financial Services Authority ("FSA"). Essentially, this modified Series 7 examination deletes those substantive sections of the standard Series 7 that overlap with the FSA examination. The Series 17 is a 100 question examination, is 120 minutes in duration, and deals with U.S. securities laws, regulations, sales practices and special products drawn from the standard Series 7 examination.

The Series 37 version is for Canadian registrants who have successfully completed the basic core module of the CSI Global Education ("CSI", formerly the Canadian Securities Institute) program. The Series 38 version is for Canadian registrants who, in addition to having successfully completed the basic core module of the CSI program, have also successfully completed the Canadian option and futures program. Both the Series 37 and 38 share topics and test questions with the parent Series 7 program but cover only subject matter that is not covered, or not covered in sufficient detail, on the Canadian qualification examination. The Series 37 has 90 questions and is 150 minutes in duration, while the Series 38, an abbreviated version of the series 37, has only 45 questions and is 75 minutes in duration. Forty-five questions pertaining to options from the series 37 were omitted from the Series 38.

The Exchange wishes to give U.K. and Canadian registered representatives the same advantage they have at other exchanges by eliminating duplicative examinations. The Exchange believes that acceptance of these examinations will benefit both the Exchange and the foreign representatives affected by the proposal. Accordingly, pursuant to the amended rules, as proposed, the Exchange would approve the examination modules for the U.K. (Series 17) and Canada (Series 37/38) as equivalent foreign examination modules.⁴ The Exchange has added Interpretation .05 to Rule 2.5 to define

⁴ The Exchange notes that the U.K. (Series 17) and Canada (Series 37/38) represent foreign examination modules that allow persons in good standing with the securities regulators of their respective countries to qualify as general securities registered representatives (equivalent to Series 7 registrants) by successfully completing certain modified general securities representative examinations which were developed, along with others for other foreign jurisdictions, by the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") more than 10 years ago.

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.