these substantially similar provisions easier to understand. CBOE also proposes to delete Rule 6.14, relating to HAL, while renaming “HAL2” as “HAL.” The Exchange has indicated that HAL is outdated and no longer in use.3 The Commission believes that the deletion of the obsolete HAL rule and the renaming of “HAL2” as “HAL” should alleviate any potential confusion by CBOE Trading Permit Holders as well as investors.

For the reasons stated above, the Commission believes that the proposed changes to the SAL, COA, HAL, and HAL2 rules, discussed above, are consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act.32

IV. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,33 that the proposed rule change (SR–CBOE–2012–048) is approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.34

Kevin M. O’Neill, Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Adopt Four New Order Types on the CBOE Stock Exchange

July 31, 2012.

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 July 24, 2012, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated (the “Exchange” or “CBOE”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (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.

31 See id. at 37725.
37 See id. at 37725.
42 17 CFR 46783 Federal Register / Vol. 77, No. 151 / Monday, August 6, 2012 / Notices

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

The Exchange proposes to adopt four new order types on the CBOE Stock Exchange (“CBSX”). 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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose 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

The Exchange proposes to add four new order types to CBSX: silent orders, silent-mid orders, silent-post-mid orders, and silent-mid-seeker orders. A silent order is an order that is not displayed publicly on the CBSX Book but is to be executed at the National Best Bid (“NBB”) (for a “buy” order) or National Best Offer (“NBO”) (for a “sell” order). A silent order is an order with an optional contingency price which will indicate the highest price that a buyer is willing to pay or the lowest price at which a seller is willing to accept (such contingency price to be in $0.01 (full penny) increments only). If NBB is higher than this contingency price for a Buy order, or the NBO is lower than this contingency price for a Sell order, the order, or remainder of the order, will be canceled prior to trading. The reason that the order, or remainder of the order, will be canceled prior to trading (as opposed to upon entry) in these circumstances is because it is possible that, when an order comes in, the NBB is lower than the contingency price (for a Buy order), but the order doesn’t trade because there is not interest to trade with, and then the NBB moves to a point at which it is higher than the contingency price (at which point the order would cancel). The reverse would be true for Sell, Sell Short, or Sell Short Exempt orders. A silent order may trade with any other type of order and is to execute following the execution of any displayed orders at the National Best Bid and Offer (“NBBO”) (if there are any displayed orders at the NBBO) and has a higher trading priority than All or None orders. A silent order will never be routed to an away market. When the NBBO is locked or crossed, a silent order will never trade, but instead rest on the CBSX Book and remain eligible to trade once the NBBO is no longer locked or crossed.

The following examples will explain how silent orders will trade on CBSX:

Consider, in example 1, a situation in which the NBBO is quoting at $1.01—$1.02, while CBSX is quoting $0.99–$1.02. A 100-lot silent order comes in to sell at the market, and rests behind a displayed 100-lot order to sell at $1.02 in the CBSX Book. A 500-lot order to buy at $1.02 comes in, and first trades with the displayed 100-lot order to sell at $1.02. Since there are no more displayed orders to sell at or better than $1.02, and $1.02 is at the NBBO, the silent order would then trade with the next 100 contracts in the 500-lot buy order. The remaining 300 lots of the buy order would be routed to the away exchange displaying the NBBO.

Consider now, in example 2, a situation in which the NBBO is once again quoting at $1.01—$1.02, while CBSX is quoting $0.99–$1.02. Again, a 100-lot silent order comes in to sell at the market, and rests behind a displayed 100-lot order to sell at $1.02 in the CBSX Book. A 100-lot buy order comes in at $1.02. This buy order would trade with the displayed 100-lot order to sell at $1.02, causing the CBSX market to move to $0.99–$1.03. The silent order would continue to rest while waiting for the opportunity to trade at the National Best Offer. If the NBO becomes $1.03, the silent order can then trade with any incoming orders to buy at $1.03 after any resting displayed orders to sell at $1.03 have already traded.

In this third example, consider a situation in which the NBBO is quoting at $1.00—$1.01 and CBSX is quoting at $0.99–$1.02. A 100-lot silent order comes in to buy at the market. A 10,000-lot Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”) comes in to sell at $0.99. The silent order would trade first at $1.00, since that is the NBBO, regardless of the fact that there are no current CBSX displayed orders at the NBBO. The remainder of the ISO trades against CBSX $0.99 orders until volume is
is willing to pay or the lowest price at which a seller is willing to accept. A silent-mid order may trade in $0.005 increments if priced at or above $1 and $0.0001 increments if priced below $1. If the mid-point between the NBBO is not at a tradable increment, CBSX will round down to the nearest tradable increment. If the mid-point of the NBBO is higher than this contingency price for a Buy order or is lower than this contingency price for a Sell, Sell Short, or Sell Short Exempt order, the order, or remainder of the order, will be canceled prior to trading. The reason that the order, or remainder of the order, will be canceled prior to trading is because there is not interest to trade with, and then the mid-point of the NBBO moves to a point at which it is higher than the contingency price (at which point the order would cancel). The reverse would be true for Sell, Sell Short, or Sell Short Exempt orders.

A silent-mid order may trade with any other type of order and is to execute following the execution of any displayed orders at the NBBO (if there are any displayed orders at the NBBO) and has a higher trading priority than All or None orders and Silent-Post-Mid orders. A silent-mid order will never be routed to an away market. When the NBBO is locked or crossed, a silent-mid order will never trade, but instead rest on the CBSX Book and remain eligible to trade once the NBBO is no longer locked or crossed.

For example, consider a situation in which the NBBO is $13.00—$14.00, and a 1,000-lot silent-mid buy order comes to CBSX. That order rests undisplayed. Then a 500-lot order to sell at $13.00 comes in. The silent-mid order will trade 500 contracts with that sell order at $13.50. The remaining 500 contracts of the silent-mid order would continue to rest undisplayed.

A silent-post-mid order is an order that is not displayed publicly on the CBSX Book but is to be executed at the mid-point between the NBBO. A silent-post-mid order is an order with an optional contingency price which will indicate the highest price that a buyer
order) and also provide the user the option to enter such orders with or without a limit (contingency) price. Like silent-mid orders, Mid-Point Peg Orders are executed at the mid-point of the NBBO. Like silent-post-mid orders, Mid-Point Peg Orders can be designated to only add liquidity and not trade if they are to take liquidity. Like silent-mid-seeker orders, Mid-Point Peg Orders can be designated to immediately cancel if there is no resting interest at the midpoint of the NBBO.

While there are differences between the CBSX’s four new proposed order types and the BATS Pegged and Mid-Point Pegged Orders, these differences are not substantive. CBSX uses different terminology than BATS to describe these order types because the proposed language is consistent with other language used in the CBSX rules and because CBSX believes that the proposed language is clearer and more descriptive. Another difference is that, while the BATS orders optionally allow for the pegging of the order price to be offset from the opposite side of the NBBO from the order, the proposed CBSX order types are more restrictive in only permitting the pegging of the order on either the bid (for buy orders) or the offer (for sell orders) or midpoint (due to system reasons).

One further difference is that, whereas BATS automatically adjusts the price of a Pegged or Mid-Point Peg Order in response to changes in the NBBO, the CBSX System is not enabled to make such adjustments each time the NBBO changes. However, the CBSX System will adjust the price of resting silent, silent-mid and silent-post-mid orders prior to effecting any transaction involving such orders. As such, the same execution price would result as would if the price of such orders had been adjusted in response to each change in the NBBO.

Finally, whereas BATS creates a new timestamp for Pegged and Mid-Point Pegged Orders each time the orders are automatically adjusted, the CBSX System prohibits the creation of such timestamps. However, CBSX maintains market data that allows CBSX to create an accurate history of any adjustments in price to the order, thereby functionally achieving the same goal as occurs on BATS. As such, orders will maintain their original timestamps as provided when the order came in and will receive priority, in regards to other undisplayed orders, based on the time at which they originally came in.

The Exchange believes that the addition of these new order types will enhance order execution opportunities on CBSX and should provide market participants with flexibility in executing transactions that meet the specific requirements of the order type. The silent order, silent-mid order, silent-post-mid order and silent-mid-seeker order will allow for additional opportunities for liquidity providers to passively interact with interest on the CBSX Book.

Once the CBSX System is so enabled to permit the use of the silent order, silent-mid order, silent-post-mid order and silent-mid-seeker order, and such use has been appropriately tested, CBSX intends to announce the availability of the silent order, silent-mid order, silent-post-mid order and silent-mid-seeker order to the CBSX Traders via Regulatory Circular prior to the implementation of the silent order, silent-mid order, silent-post-mid order and silent-mid-seeker order.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder 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 the rules of an exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts, to remove impediments to and to perfect the mechanism for a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest by providing new order execution opportunities, similar to those available on other exchanges, to CBSX market participants. Silent orders perfect the mechanism for a free and open market by providing investors the opportunity to enter an order that is not displayed publicly but is to be executed at the NBBO (for a “buy” order) or NBO (for a “sell” order). Silent-mid orders perfect the mechanism for a free and open market by providing investors the opportunity to enter an order that is not displayed publicly but is to be executed at the mid-point between the NBBO and only take liquidity. Also, all four new order types are similar to order types already offered on BATS.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

CBSX 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

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposed rule change.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not:

A. Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest;
B. Impose any significant burden on competition; and
C. 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 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of this 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 Exchange 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–CBOE–2012–049 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–CBOE–2012–049. 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 a.m. and 3 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–CBOE–2012–049 and should be submitted on or before August 27, 2012.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.19

Kevin M. O’Neill,
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 7971]

60–Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Reporting Requirements for Responsible Investment in Burma

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the Federal Register preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to October 5, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:
- Web: Persons with access to the Internet may view and comment on this notice by going to the Federal regulations Web site at www.regulations.gov. You can search for the document by: selecting “Notice” under Document Type, entering the Public Notice number as the “Keyword or ID”, checking the “Open for Comment” box, and then click “Search”. If necessary, use the “Narrow by Agency” option on the Results page.
- Email: BurmaPRA@state.gov.
- Mail (paper, or CD submissions): U.S. Department of State, DRL/EAP Suite 7817, Burma Human Rights Officer, 2201 C St. NW., Washington, DC 20520.
- Fax: None.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: None.

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Stacey May, U.S. Department of State, DRL/EAP Suite 7817, 2201 C St. NW., Washington, DC 20520, who may be reached on 202–647–8260 or at maysa2@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

• Title of Information Collection: Reporting Requirements on Responsible Investment in Burma.
- OMB Control Number: None.
- Type of Request: New Collection.
- Originating Office: U.S. Department of State, DRL/EAP.
- Form Number: None.
- Respondents: U.S. persons and entities engaged in new investment in Burma in an amount over $500,000 in aggregate, per OFAC General License 17, which authorizes new investment in Burma.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 150.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 150.
- Average Hours Per Response: 21 hours.
- Total Estimated Burden: 3,150 hours.
- Frequency: Annually.
- Obligation to Respond: Mandatory.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:
- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

Abstract of proposed collection:
Section 203(a)(1)(B) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA) grants the President authority to, inter alia, prevent or prohibit any acquisition or transaction involving any property, in which a foreign country or a national thereof has any interest, by any person, or with respect to any property, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, if the President declares a national emergency with respect to any unusual and extraordinary threat, which has its source in whole or substantial part outside the United States, to the national security, foreign policy, or economy of the United States. See 50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.
In Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, the President determined that the actions and policies of the Government