

rule change to be operative upon filing.¹⁴

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:

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-EDGX-2014-007 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-EDGX-2014-007. 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 such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments

¹⁴ For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has also considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

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-EDGX-2014-007, and should be submitted on or before April 22, 2014.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁵

Kevin M. O'Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGA Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to the Clearly Erroneous Execution Rule for EDGA Exchange, Inc.

March 26, 2014.

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 March 18, 2014, EDGA Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGA") 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 Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal as a "non-controversial" proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder,⁴ which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. 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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange filed a proposal to extend a pilot program related to Rule 11.13, entitled "Clearly Erroneous Executions."

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's Web site at <http://www.batstrading.com> [sic], at the principal office of the Exchange, and

¹⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

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 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 parts of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to extend the effectiveness of the Exchange's current rule applicable to Clearly Erroneous Executions. Portions of Rule 11.13, explained in further detail below, are currently operating as a pilot program set to expire on April 8, 2014.⁵ The Exchange proposes to extend the pilot program to coincide with the pilot period for the Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility Pursuant to Rule 608 of Regulation NMS under the Act (the "Limit Up-Limit Down Plan" or the "Plan"), including any extensions to the pilot period for the Plan.⁶

On September 10, 2010, the Commission approved, on a pilot basis, changes to Exchange Rule 11.13 to provide for uniform treatment: (1) Of clearly erroneous execution reviews in multi-stock events involving twenty or more securities; and (2) in the event transactions occur that result in the issuance of an individual stock trading pause by the primary listing market and subsequent transactions that occur before the trading pause is in effect on the Exchange.⁷ The Exchange also adopted additional changes to Rule 11.13 that reduced the ability of the Exchange to deviate from the objective standards set forth in Rule 11.13,⁸ and

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 70512 (Sept. 26, 2013), 78 FR 60965 (Oct. 2, 2013) (SR-EDGA-2013-28).

⁶ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67091 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33498 (June 6, 2012) (the "Limit Up-Limit Down Release").

⁷ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62886 (Sept. 10, 2010), 75 FR 56613 (Sept. 16, 2010) (SR-EDGA-2010-03).

⁸ *Id.*

in 2013, adopted a provision designed to address the operation of the Plan.⁹

The Exchange believes the benefits to market participants from the more objective clearly erroneous executions rule should continue on a pilot basis to coincide with the operation of the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan. The Exchange believes that continuing the pilot will protect against any unanticipated consequences. Thus, the Exchange believes that the protections of the Clearly Erroneous Rule should continue while the industry gains further experience operating the Plan.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder that are applicable to a national securities exchange, and, in particular, with the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act.¹⁰ In particular, the proposal is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,¹¹ because it would promote just and equitable principles of trade, remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system. Although the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan is operational, the Exchange believes that maintaining the pilot will help to protect against unanticipated consequences. Thus, the Exchange believes that the protections of the Clearly Erroneous Rule should continue while the industry gains further experience operating the Plan. The Exchange also believes that the pilot program promotes just and equitable principles of trade in that it promotes transparency and uniformity across markets concerning review of transactions as clearly erroneous. Thus, the Exchange believes that the extension of the pilot would help assure that the determination of whether a clearly erroneous trade has occurred will be based on clear and objective criteria, and that the resolution of the incident will occur promptly through a transparent process. The proposed rule change would also help assure consistent results in handling erroneous trades across the U.S. markets, thus furthering fair and orderly markets, the protection of investors and the public interest. Based on the foregoing, the Exchange believes the benefits to market participants from the more objective clearly erroneous executions rule

should continue on a pilot basis to coincide with the operation of the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change implicates any competitive issues. To the contrary, the Exchange believes that the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") and other national securities exchanges are also filing similar proposals, and thus, that the proposal will help to ensure consistency across market centers.

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

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

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

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 for 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 Act¹² and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.¹³

The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay so that the proposal may become operative immediately upon filing. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, as it will allow the clearly erroneous pilot program to continue uninterrupted while the industry gains further experience operating under the Limit Up-Limit Down Plan, and avoid any investor confusion that could result from a temporary interruption in the pilot program. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposed

rule change to be operative upon filing.¹⁴

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:

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-EDGA-2014-006 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-EDGA-2014-006. 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 such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii). 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, along with a brief description and the text of 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.

¹⁴ For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has also considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

⁹ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68813 (Feb. 1, 2013), 78 FR 9073 (Feb. 7, 2013) (SR-EDGA-2013-06); see also Exchange Rule 11.13(i).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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-EDGA-2014-006, and should be submitted on or before April 22, 2014.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁵

Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-71804; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2013-141]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 2 and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 2, To Adopt New NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.25 To Create a Crowd Participant Program on a Pilot Basis To Incent Competitive Quoting and Trading Volume in Exchange-Traded Products by Market Makers Qualified With the Exchange as CPs

March 26, 2014.

On December 6, 2013, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to adopt the Crowd Participant Program ("CP Program" or "Program"), a one-year pilot program, to incent competitive quoting and trading volume in exchange-traded products ("ETPs") by Market Makers qualified with the Exchange as Crowd Participants ("CPs"). The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on December 26, 2013.³ The Commission received no comment letters on the proposal. On February 5, 2014, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁴ the Commission designated a longer period within which to either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or

institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.⁵ On March 19, 2014, the Exchange submitted Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change.⁶ The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on Amendment No. 2 from interested persons, and is approving the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 2 thereto, on an accelerated basis.⁷

I. Description of the Amended Proposal

As set forth in more detail in the Notice,⁸ the Exchange is proposing to adopt new NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.25 and to amend its fee schedules to set forth the requirements for the CP Program, which will be a voluntary one-year pilot program for issuers of certain ETPs listed on the Exchange. The Exchange states that the CP Program is designed to incentivize Market Makers⁹ qualified with the Exchange as CPs¹⁰ to quote and trade in certain low-volume ETPs by offering issuers an alternative

⁵ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71479 (Feb. 5, 2014), 79 FR 8225 (Feb. 11, 2014). The Commission determined that it was appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change. Accordingly, the Commission designated March 26, 2014 as the date by which it should approve, disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.

⁶ Amendment No. 1 was filed by the Exchange on March 18, 2014 and withdrawn by the Exchange on March 19, 2014 due to a technical error. In Amendment No. 2, the Exchange proposes to: (i) Change, from two-million shares to one-million shares, the consolidated average daily volume ("CADV") threshold applicable to participation eligibility in the proposed CP Program; (ii) change the CP Program Fee (as described below) from a fixed amount of \$50,000 to a range of \$50,000 to \$100,000, as determined exclusively by the issuer; and (iii) clarify that the CP Program Fee cannot be refunded to an issuer.

⁷ Today the Commission also is granting exemptive relief from Rule 102 under Regulation M concerning the CP Program. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71805 (Mar. 26, 2014) (Order Granting a Limited Exemption from Rule 102 of Regulation M Concerning the NYSE Arca, Inc.'s Crowd Participant Program Pilot).

⁸ See Notice, *supra* note 3.

⁹ A Market Maker is an Equity Trading Permit Holder that acts as a Market Maker pursuant to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7. See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 1.1(v). An Equity Trading Permit Holder is a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other organization in good standing that has been issued an Equity Trading Permit. See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 1.1(n).

¹⁰ A "Crowd Participant" is defined as an Equity Trading Permit Holder that: (1) Is qualified as a Market Maker, and in good standing, on the Exchange; (2) electronically enters quotes and orders into the systems and facilities of the Exchange; and (3) is obligated to maintain a displayed bid or offer at the National Best Bid ("NBB") or the National Best Offer ("NBO"), respectively, in each assigned ETP consistent with paragraph (g) of the proposed rule. See proposed NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.25(a).

fee program funded by participating issuers and credited to CPs from the Exchange's general revenues.¹¹ In addition, the Exchange states that the Program is designed to add competition among existing qualified Market Makers on the Exchange.¹² The Exchange states that the CP Program will offer an alternative to the existing Lead Market Maker program on the Exchange and the ETP Incentive Program (under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.800)¹³ for issuers to consider when determining where to list their securities.¹⁴ The Exchange states that under the voluntary CP Program, multiple CPs would compete for daily rebates, which would be funded from the Exchange's general revenues and offset by charging issuers a non-refundable "CP Program Fee," which would be credited to the Exchange's general revenues.¹⁵

A. Eligible Products; Issuer and CP Application Process

An ETP will be eligible to participate in the CP Program if (i) it is listed on the Exchange as of the commencement of the pilot period or becomes listed during the pilot period; (ii) the listing is under NYSE Arca Equities Rules 5.2(j)(3) (Investment Company Units), 5.2(j)(5) (Equity Gold Shares), 8.100 (Portfolio Depositary Receipts), 8.200 (Trust Issued Receipts), 8.201 (Commodity-Based Trust Shares), 8.202 (Currency Trust Shares), 8.203 (Commodity Index Trust Shares), 8.204 (Commodity Futures Trust Shares), 8.300 (Partnership Units), 8.600 (Managed Fund Shares), or 8.700 (Managed Trust Securities); (iii) it is neither participating in the ETP Incentive Program under Rule 8.800 nor has a Lead Market Maker assigned to it; (iv) with respect to an ETP that was listed on the Exchange before the commencement of the CP Program, the ETP has a CADV of one million shares or less for at least the preceding three months; and (v) if the ETP is added to the CP Program after listing on the Exchange, it is compliant with continuing listing standards.¹⁶

An issuer that wishes to have an ETP participate in the CP Program and pay the Exchange a non-refundable CP Program Fee will be required to submit a written application in a form prescribed by the Exchange for each

¹¹ See Notice, *supra* note 3, at 78427.

¹² *Id.*

¹³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 69706 (June 6, 2013), 78 FR 35340 (June 12, 2013) (SR-NYSEArca-2013-34).

¹⁴ See Notice, *supra* note 3, at 78427.

¹⁵ *Id.*

¹⁶ See proposed NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.25(b). See also Amendment No. 2, *supra* note 6.

¹⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71146 (Dec. 19, 2013), 78 FR 78426 ("Notice").

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).