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**Brent J. Fields,**  
Secretary.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

*Upon Written Request Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736.

Rule 17g-8 & 9, SEC File No. 270-645, OMB Control No. 3235-0693.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17g-8 and 17g-9 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).<sup>1</sup> The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 17g-8 contains certain requirements for Nationally Recognized

Statistical Rating Organizations ("NRSROs") to have policies and procedures with respect to the procedures and methodologies the NRSRO uses to determine credit ratings, with respect to the symbols, numbers, or scores it uses to denote credit ratings, to address instances in which a look-back review determines that a conflict of interest influenced a credit rating, and to consider certain prescribed factors for an effective internal structure. Rule 17g-9 contains requirements for NRSROs to ensure that any person employed by an NRSRO to determine credit ratings meets standards necessary to produce accurate ratings. Currently, there are 10 credit rating agencies registered as NRSROs with the Commission. The Commission estimates that the total burden for respondents to comply with Rule 17g-8 is 1,450 hours and to comply with Rule 17g-9 is 25,004 hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents; 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 60 days of this publication.

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

Please direct your written comments to: Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F St NE, Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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<sup>1</sup> See 17 CFR 240.17g-1 and 17 CFR 249b.300.

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*Extension:*

Rule 17g-7, SEC File No. 270-0656, OMB  
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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17g-7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).<sup>1</sup> The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Rule 17g-7 contains disclosure requirements for Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations (“NRSROs”) including certain information to be published when taking a rating action with respect to a credit rating. Currently, there are 10 credit rating agencies registered as NRSROs with the Commission. The Commission estimates that the total burden for respondents to comply with Rule 17g-7 is 695,797 hours.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents; 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 60 days of this publication.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Self-Regulatory Organizations; ICE Clear Europe Limited; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advance Notice Relating to Amendments to the ICE Clear Europe Limited CDS Procedures, CDS Risk Policy, and CDS Risk Model Description

February 9, 2018.

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 February 6, 2018, ICE Clear Europe Limited (“ICE Clear Europe”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule changes described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared primarily by ICE Clear Europe. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

#### I. Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

ICE Clear Europe Limited proposes to modify certain provisions of its CDS Procedures to support clearing of a new single-name CDS transaction type and to modify its CDS Risk Policy and CDS Risk Model Description to enhance risk management relating to CDS involving European banks.

#### II. Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, ICE Clear Europe 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. ICE Clear Europe has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

(A) *Clearing Agency’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change*

#### (a) Purpose

ICE Clear Europe proposes to modify certain provisions of its CDS Procedures to support clearing of a new single-name CDS transaction type. ICE Clear Europe also proposes to amend its CDS Risk Policy and CDS Risk Model Description to better address certain risks associated with CDS referencing European banks relating to the issuance of new debt structures by those banks. These revisions do not involve any changes to the ICE Clear Europe Clearing Rules.

Proposed Amendments to the CDS Procedures

The purpose of the proposed changes to the CDS Procedures is to support clearing of a new single-name CDS transaction type: Standard European Senior Non-Preferred Financial Corporate. ICE Clear Europe understands that market participants generally propose to commence trading of this transaction type as of March 20, 2018, and relevant standard documentation for the transaction type has recently been published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (“ISDA”). Transactions under such standard documentation, will be generally similar to Standard European Financial Corporate transactions currently cleared by the Clearing House, but will have a reference obligation that will be subordinated to other senior obligations, but will rank senior to so-called “tier 2” obligations that are subordinated for purposes of European Union bank regulatory capital requirements. ICE Clear Europe proposes amending its CDS Procedures to provide for the clearance of contracts referencing this new transaction type. ICE Clear Europe believes the addition of these contracts will benefit the market for credit default swaps by providing market participants the benefits of clearing, including reduction in counterparty risk and safeguarding of margin assets pursuant to Clearing House Rules.

Specifically, ICE Clear Europe proposes amending Paragraph 4.3(c)(ii) of the CDS Procedures to reference Standard European Senior Non-Preferred Financial Corporate as a transaction type eligible to be submitted for clearing. Similarly, Paragraph 11.3(i) is amended in the definition of ‘Non-STEC Single Name Contract’ to include Standard European Senior Non-Preferred Financial Corporate in the list of types of Reference Entities eligible to be cleared by ICE Clear Europe. ICE

<sup>1</sup> See 17 CFR 240.17g-1 and 17 CFR 249b.300.

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

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