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Dated: July 30, 2020.  
 For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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**POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION**  
**[Docket No. CP2020-234]**

**New Postal Products**

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission's consideration concerning negotiated service agreements. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* August 6, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit comments electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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**I. Introduction**

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the market dominant or the competitive product list, or the

modification of an existing product currently appearing on the market dominant or the competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service's request(s) can be accessed via the Commission's website (<http://www.prc.gov>). Non-public portions of the Postal Service's request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3011.301.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3030, and 39 CFR part 3040, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3035, and 39 CFR part 3040, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

**II. Docketed Proceeding(s)**

1. *Docket No(s).*: CP2020-234; *Filing Title:* Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing a Functionally Equivalent Global Reseller Expedited Package 2 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under

<sup>1</sup> See Docket No. RM2018-3, Order Adopting Final Rules Relating to Non-Public Information, June 27, 2018, Attachment A at 19-22 (Order No. 4679).

Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date:* July 29, 2020; *Filing Authority:* 39 CFR 3035.105; *Public Representative:* Gregory Stanton; *Comments Due:* August 6, 2020.

This Notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

**Erica A. Barker,**  
*Secretary.*

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**POSTAL SERVICE**

**Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records**

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.  
**ACTION:** Notice of a modified system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Postal Service™ (USPST™) is proposing to revise one General Privacy Act Systems of Records and one Customer Privacy Act Systems of Records. These updates are being made to facilitate the implementation of web-based collaboration and communication applications.

**DATES:** These revisions will become effective without further notice on September 3, 2020, unless comments received on or before that date result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted via email to the Privacy and Records Management Office, United States Postal Service Headquarters ([privacy@usps.gov](mailto:privacy@usps.gov)). Arrangements to view copies of any written comments received, to facilitate public inspection, will be made upon request.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janine Castorina, Chief Privacy and Records Management Officer, Privacy and Records Management Office, 202-268-3069 or [privacy@usps.gov](mailto:privacy@usps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is in accordance with the Privacy Act requirement that agencies publish their systems of records in the **Federal Register** when there is a revision,

change, or addition, or when the agency establishes a new system of records.

The Postal Service has determined that General Privacy Act Systems of Records (SOR), USPS 500.000, Property Management Records and Customer Privacy Act SOR USPS 890.000, Sales, Marketing, Events, and Publications should be revised to support the implementation of web-based collaboration and communication applications with enhanced functionality. These applications will further encourage collaboration, promote meeting efficiency, and facilitate inter-team communication through multiple mediums.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(11), interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, or arguments on this proposal. A report of the proposed revisions has been sent to Congress and to the Office of Management and Budget for their evaluations. The Postal Service does not expect these amended systems of records to have any adverse effect on individual privacy rights. The notices for USPS 500.000, Property Management Records and USPS 890.000, Sales, Marketing, Events, and Publications provided below in their entirety, are as follows:

**SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:**

USPS 500.000, Property Management Records.

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:**

None.

**SYSTEM LOCATION:**

All USPS facilities and contractor sites.

**SYSTEM MANAGER(S):**

For records of accountable property, carpool membership, and use of USPS parking facilities: Vice President, Facilities, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260.

For records of building access and Postal Inspector computer access authorizations: Chief Postal Inspector, Inspection Service, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260.

For other records of computer access authorizations: Chief Information Officer and Executive Vice President, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

39 U.S.C. 401.

**PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:**

1. To ensure personal and building safety and security by controlling access to USPS facilities.

2. To ensure accountability for property issued to persons.

3. To assign computer logon IDs; to identify USPS computer users to resolve their computer access problems by telephone; and to monitor and audit the use of USPS information resources as necessary to ensure compliance with USPS regulations.

4. To enable access to the USPS meeting and video web conferencing applications.

5. To enhance your online meeting experience by utilizing enhanced features and functionality, including voluntary polling to gather responses from attendees to generate reports or the interactive chat feature.

6. To facilitate team collaboration and communication through information sharing and cross-functional participation.

7. To allow task allocation and tracking among team members.

8. To allow users to communicate by telephone and instant-messaging through web-based applications.

9. To facilitate and support cybersecurity investigations of detected or reported information security incidents.

10. To share your personal image via your device camera during meetings and web conferences, if you voluntarily choose to turn the camera on, enabling virtual face-to-face conversations.

11. To authenticate user identity for the purpose of accessing USPS information systems.

12. To provide parking and carpooling services to individuals who use USPS parking facilities.

**CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:**

1. Individuals who are granted regular access to USPS facilities through the issuance of a building access badge, or who are assigned accountable property.

2. Individuals with authorized access to USPS computers and information resources, including USPS employees, contractors, and other individuals; Individuals participating in web-based meetings, video conferences, collaboration, and communication applications.

3. Individuals who are members of carpools with USPS employees or otherwise regularly use USPS parking facilities.

**CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

1. *Building access information:* Records related to issuance of building

access badges, including name, Social Security Number, Employee Identification Number, date of birth, photograph, postal assignment information, work contact information, finance number(s), duty location, and pay location.

2. *Property issuance information:* Records related to issuance of accountable USPS property, equipment, and controlled documents, including name, Social Security Number, equipment description, equipment serial numbers, and issuance date.

3. *Computer access authorization information:* Records related to computer users, including logon ID, Social Security Number, Employee Identification Number, or other assigned identifier, employment status information or contractor status information, and extent of access granted.

4. *Participant session data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Participant name, participant's webcam-generated image (including presenters), recorded participant audio, video, and shared meeting screen content, chat interaction, polling questions and associated responses, participant join time and leave time, meeting duration, participant location, and participant media hardware information.

5. *Event session data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Event start time, event status, event organizer, event presenter, event producer, event production type, event recording setting, total number of event media viewings.

6. *Historical device usage data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Device type (such as mobile, desktop, or tablet), Device Operating System, Number of users of related Operating Systems, Operating System Version, MAC address, and IP address.

7. *Historical application usage data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Number of active users, number of active users in groups, number of active group communication channels, number of messages sent, number of calls participated in, last activity date of a user, and number of guest users in a group.

8. *Web-based Public Switched Telephone Network data records:* Phone number, time phone call started, user name, call type, phone number called to, phone number called from, called to location, called from location, telephone minutes used, telephone minutes available, charges for use of telephone services, currency of charged telephone services, call duration, call ID, conference ID, phone number type,

blocked phone numbers, blocking action, reason for blocking action, blocked phone number display name, date and time of blocking.

9. *Web-based Direct Routing Public Switched Telephone Network records:* Call start time, user display name, SIP address, caller number, called to number, call type, call invite time, call failure time, call end time, call duration, number type, media bypass, SBC FQDN, data center media path, data center signaling path, event type, final SIP, final vendor subcode, final SIP phrase, unique customer support ID.

10. *Identity verification information:* Question, answer, and email address.

11. *Carpool and parking information:* Records related to membership in carpools with USPS employees or about individuals who otherwise regularly use USPS parking facilities, including name, space number, principal's and others' license numbers, home address, and contact information.

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Employees; contractors; subject individuals; and other systems of records.

**ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:**

Standard routine uses 1. through 9. apply.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:**

Automated database, computer storage media, and paper.

**POLICIES OF PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:**

1. Records about building access and issuance of accountable property are retrieved by name, Social Security Number, or Employee Identification Number.

2. Records about authorized access to computer and information resources are retrieved by name, logon ID, Employee Identification Number, or other unique identifier of the individual.

3. Report and tracking data created during web-based meetings and video conferences that pertain to individual participants, content shared, conference codes and other relevant session data and historical device usage data are retrieved by meeting ID, host name or host email address.

4. Records pertaining to web-based collaboration and communication applications are retrieved by organizer name and other associated personal identifiers.

5. Media recordings created during web-based meetings and video conferences are retrieved by meeting ID, host name or host email address.

6. Records of carpools and parking facilities are retrieved by name, ZIP Code, space number, or parking license number.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:**

1. Building access and accountable property records are retained until termination of access or accountability.

2. Records of computer access privileges are retained 1 year after all authorizations are cancelled.

3. Report and tracking data created during web-based meeting and video conferences, such as other relevant session data and historical device usage data, are retained for twenty-four months.

4. Records pertaining to web-based collaboration and communication applications are retained for twenty-four months.

5. Web-based meeting or video session recordings are retained for twenty-four months.

6. Records of carpool membership and use of USPS parking facilities are retained 6 years.

7. Records existing on paper are destroyed by burning, pulping, or shredding. Records existing on computer storage media are destroyed according to the applicable USPS media sanitization practice.

**ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:**

Paper records, computers, and computer storage media are located in controlled-access areas under supervision of program personnel. Access to these areas is limited to authorized personnel, who must be identified with a badge.

Access to records is limited to individuals whose official duties require such access. Contractors and licensees are subject to contract controls and unannounced on-site audits and inspections. Computers are protected by mechanical locks, card key systems, or other physical access control methods. The use of computer systems is regulated with installed security software, computer logon identifications, and operating system controls including access controls, terminal and transaction logging, and file management software.

**RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Requests for access must be made in accordance with the Notification Procedure above and USPS Privacy Act regulations regarding access to records and verification of identity under 39 CFR 266.5.

**CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES**

See Notification Procedure and Record Access Procedures above.

**NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:**

Inquiries for records about building access, accountable property, carpool membership, and use of USPS parking facilities must be addressed to the facility head. Inquiries about computer access authorization records must be directed to the Manager, Corporate Information Security, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Suite 2141, Washington, DC 20260. For Inspection Service computer access records, inquiries must be submitted to the Inspector in Charge, Information Technology Division, 2111 Wilson Blvd., Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22201. Inquiries must include full name, Social Security Number or Employee Identification Number, and period of employment or residency at the location.

**EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FROM THIS SYSTEM:**

None.

**HISTORY:**

June 1, 2020, 85 FR 33210; April 11, 2014, 79 FR 20249; June 27, 2012, 77 FR 38342; June 17, 2011, 76 FR 35483; April 29, 2005, 70 FR 22516.

**SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:**

USPS 890.000, Sales, Marketing, Events, and Publications.

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:**

None.

**SYSTEM LOCATION:**

USPS Headquarters Marketing and Public Policy; Integrated Business Solutions Services Centers; National Customer Service Center; Area and District USPS facilities; Post Offices; and contractor sites.

**SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:**

Chief Customer and Marketing Officer and Executive Vice President, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

39 U.S.C. 401, 403, 404.

**PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:**

1. To understand the needs of customers and improve USPS sales and marketing efforts.

2. To provide appropriate materials and publications to customers.

3. To conduct registration for USPS and related events.

4. To enable access to the USPS meeting and video web conferencing application.

5. To enhance your online meeting experience by utilizing enhanced

features and functionality, including voluntary polling to gather responses from attendees to generate reports or the interactive chat feature.

6. To facilitate team collaboration and communication through information sharing and cross-functional participation.

7. To allow task allocation and tracking among team members.

8. To allow users to communicate by telephone and instant-messaging through web-based applications.

9. To provide users outside of the USPS limited collaboration and communication capabilities through guest account access.

10. To facilitate and support cybersecurity investigations of detected or reported information security incidents.

11. To share your personal image via your device camera during meetings and web conferences, if you voluntarily choose to turn the camera on, enabling virtual face-to-face conversations.

#### CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

1. Customers who interact with USPS sales personnel, respond to direct marketing messages, request publications, respond to contests and surveys, and attend USPS events.

2. Customers and other individuals who participate in web-based meeting, video conference, collaboration, and communication applications sponsored by the USPS.

#### CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

1. *Customer information:* Customer and key contacts' names, mail and email addresses, phone, fax and pager numbers; job descriptions, titles, and roles; other names and emails provided by customers.

2. *Identifying information:* Customer ID(s), D-U-N-S Numbers, USPS account numbers, meter numbers, and signatures.

3. *Business specific information:* Firm name, size, and years in business; number of employees; sales and revenue information; business sites and locations; URLs; company age; industrial classification numbers; use of USPS and competitor's products and services; types of customers served; customer equipment and services; advertising agency and spending; names of USPS employees serving the firm; and calls made.

4. *Information specific to companies that act as suppliers to USPS:* Contract start and end dates, contract award number, contract value, products and/or services sold under contract.

5. *Information provided by customers as part of a survey or contest.*

6. *Payment information:* Credit and/or debit card number, type, expiration date, and check information; and ACH information.

7. *Event information:* Name of event; role at event; itinerary; and membership in a PCC.

8. *Customer preferences:* Preferences for badge name and accommodations.

9. *Participant session data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Participant name, participant's webcam-generated image (including presenters), recorded participant audio, video, and shared meeting screen content, chat interaction, polling questions and associated responses, participant join time and leave time, meeting duration, participant location, and participant media hardware information.

10. *Event session data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Event start time, event status, event organizer, event presenter, event producer, event production type, event recording setting, total number of event media viewings.

11. *Historical device usage data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Device type (such as mobile, desktop, or tablet), Device Operating System, Number of users of related Operating Systems, Operating System Version, MAC address, and IP address.

12. *Historical application usage data from web-based meetings and web conferences:* Number of active users, number of active users in groups, number of active group communication channels, number of messages sent, number of calls participated in, last activity date of a user, and number of guest users in a group.

13. *Web-based Public Switched Telephone Network data records:* Phone number, time phone call started, user name, call type, phone number called to, phone number called from, called to location, called from location, telephone minutes used, telephone minutes available, charges for use of telephone services, currency of charged telephone services, call duration, call ID, conference ID, phone number type, blocked phone numbers, blocking action, reason for blocking action, blocked phone number display name, date and time of blocking.

14. *Web-based Direct Routing Public Switched Telephone Network records:* Call start time, user display name, SIP address, caller number, called to number, call type, call invite time, call failure time, call end time, call duration, number type, media bypass, SBC FQDN, data center media path, data center signaling path, event type, final SIP,

final vendor subcode, final SIP phrase, unique customer support ID.

#### RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Customers, USPS personnel, and list providers.

#### ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Standard routine uses 1. through 7., 10., and 11. apply.

#### POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Automated databases, computer storage media, and paper.

#### POLICIES OF PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

1. For sales, events, and publications, information is retrieved by customer name or customer ID(s), mail or email address, and phone number.

2. For direct marketing, information is retrieved by Standard Industry Code (SIC) or North American Industry Classification System (NAISC) number, and company name.

3. Report and tracking data created during web-based meetings and video conferences that pertain to individual participants, content shared, conference codes and other relevant session data and historical device usage data, are retrieved by meeting ID, host name or host email address.

4. Records pertaining to web-based collaboration and communication applications are retrieved by organizer name and other associated personal identifiers.

5. Media recordings created during web-based meetings and video conferences are retrieved by meeting ID, host name or host email address.

6. Web-based meeting and video session recordings are retrieved by meeting ID, host name or host email address.

#### POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

1. Records relating to organizations and publication mailing lists are retained until the customer ceases to participate.

2. ACH records are retained up to 2 years. Records relating to direct marketing, advertising, and promotions are retained 5 years.

3. Other records are retained 3 years after the relationship ends.

4. Report and tracking data created during web-based meeting and video conferences, such as session data and historical device usage data, are retained for twenty-four months.

5. Records pertaining to web-based collaboration and communication

applications are retained for twenty-four months.

6. Web-based meeting and video session recordings are retained for twenty-four months.

7. Records existing on paper are destroyed by burning, pulping, or shredding. Records existing on computer storage media are destroyed according to the applicable USPS media sanitization practice.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Paper records, computers, and computer storage media are located in controlled-access areas under supervision of program personnel. Access to these areas is limited to authorized personnel, who must be identified with a badge.

Access to records is limited to individuals whose official duties require such access. Contractors and licensees are subject to contract controls and unannounced on-site audits and inspections.

Computers are protected by mechanical locks, card key systems, or other physical access control methods. The use of computer systems is regulated with installed security software, computer logon identifications, and operating system controls including access controls, terminal and transaction logging, and file management software. Online data transmission is protected by encryption.

#### RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests for access must be made in accordance with the Notification Procedure above and USPS Privacy Act regulations regarding access to records and verification of identity under 39 CFR 266.5.

#### CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See Notification Procedure and Record Access Procedures above.

#### NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

For information pertaining to sales, inquiries should be addressed to: Sales and Customer Relations 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260.

Customers wanting to know if other information about them is maintained in this system of records must address inquiries in writing to the Chief Customer and Marketing Officer and Executive Vice President, and include their name and address.

#### EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FROM THIS SYSTEM:

None.

#### HISTORY:

June 1, 2020, 85 FR 33208; October 24, 2011, 76 FR 65756; April 29, 2005, 70 FR 22516.

**Brittany Johnson,**

*Attorney, Federal Compliance.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-89424; File No. SR-CboeBYX-2020-021]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change To Introduce Periodic Auctions for the Trading of U.S. Equity Securities

July 29, 2020.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on July 17, 2020, Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "BYX") 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.

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

Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. ("BYX" or the "Exchange") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a proposed rule change to introduce periodic auctions for the trading of U.S. equity securities. The text of the proposed rule change is provided in Exhibit 5.

The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange's website ([http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule\\_filings/byx/](http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule_filings/byx/)), 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 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 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 purpose of the proposed rule change is to introduce periodic auctions for the trading of U.S. equity securities ("Periodic Auctions").<sup>3</sup> On October 17, 2019, the Commission issued a Statement on Market Structure Innovation for Thinly Traded Securities ("Statement").<sup>4</sup> The Statement requested comment on potential innovations that could improve market quality in equity securities that trade in lower volume ("thinly-traded securities"), and sought further feedback on the regulatory changes that may be needed to facilitate such innovation. Cboe Global Markets, Inc. ("Cboe"), the Exchange's parent company, submitted a comment letter in response to the Statement on December 20, 2019.<sup>5</sup> As expressed in that comment letter, Cboe shares the Commission's interest in improving market quality in this segment of the U.S. equities market, and believes that the best way to accomplish this goal is through innovation and targeted approaches that invite investor choice.<sup>6</sup> At that time, Cboe suggested a handful of different approaches that national securities exchanges could take to improve market quality in thinly-traded securities, without requiring anti-competitive and ultimately harmful changes to U.S. equities market structure.<sup>7</sup> Following the submission of that comment letter, Cboe has continued to work on the design of potential market structure innovations that it could implement to improve market quality in thinly-traded securities, consistent with the Commission's request. As a result of those efforts, the

<sup>3</sup> The term "Periodic Auction" shall mean an auction conducted pursuant to Proposed Rule 11.25. See Proposed Rule 11.25(a)(4).

<sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 87327 (October 17, 2019), 84 FR 56956 (October 24, 2019) (File No. S7-18-19).

<sup>5</sup> See Letter from Adrian Griffiths, Assistant General Counsel, Cboe to Vanessa Countryman, Secretary, Commission dated December 20, 2019, available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/s7-18-19/s71819-6574727-201085.pdf>.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

<sup>7</sup> *Id.*

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

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