RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Actuarial Advisory Committee With Respect to the Railroad Retirement Account; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Public Law 92–463 that the Actuarial Advisory Committee will hold a virtual meeting on May 19, 2021, at 12:30 p.m. (Central Daylight Time), on the conduct of the 28th Actuarial Valuation of the Railroad Retirement System. The agenda for this meeting will include a discussion of the assumptions to be used in the 28th Actuarial Valuation. A report containing recommended assumptions and the experience on which the recommendations are based will be sent by the Chief Actuary to the Committee before the meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public. Persons wishing to submit written statements, make oral presentations, or attend the meeting should address their communications or presentations to Patricia Pruitt (Patricia.Pruitt@rrb.gov) so that information on how to join the virtual meeting can be provided.


Stephanie Hillyard,
Secretary to the Board.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Extend the Operation of Its SPXPM Pilot Program

April 28, 2021.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”), and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, 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 Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “Cboe Options”) proposes to extend the operation of its SPXPM pilot program. The text of the proposed rule change is provided below.

(additions are italicized; deletions are [bracketed])

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Rules of Cboe Exchange, Inc.

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Rule 4.13. Series of Index Options

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Interpretations and Policies

.01–.12 No change.

.13 In addition to A.M.-settled S&P 500 Stock Index (“SPX”) options approved for trading on the Exchange pursuant to Rule 4.13, the Exchange may also list options on SPX whose exercise settlement value is derived from closing prices on the last trading day prior to expiration (P.M.-settled third Friday-of-the-month SPX options series). The Exchange may also list options on the Mini-SPX Index (“XSP”) and Mini-RUT Index (“MRUT”) whose exercise settlement value is derived from closing prices on the last trading day prior to expiration (“P.M.-settled”). P.M.-settled third Friday-of-the-month SPX options series and P.M.-settled XSP and MRUT options will be listed for trading for a pilot period ending [May 3] November 1, 2021.

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The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange’s website (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 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.

III. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments with respect to the proposed rule change, in each instance supported by written material. The Exchange will consider all comments received before February 28, 2022.

IV. Timing of Effectiveness

This proposal will become effective upon the earlier of (1) 60 days from the date of publication of this filing with the Commission, or (2) the date immediately following this filing if no such comments are received before that date.

V. Solicitation of Recommendations

Interested persons are invited to submit written recommendations to the Commission with respect to this proposed rule change, in each instance supported by written material, which includes the provision which governs the Pilot Program, to current Rule 4.13.

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

1. Purpose

On February 8, 2013, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) approved a rule change that established a Pilot Program that allows the Exchange to list options on the S&P 500 Index whose exercise settlement value is derived from closing prices on the last trading day prior to expiration (“SPXPM”). On July 31, 2013, the Commission approved a rule change that amended the Pilot Program to allow the Exchange to list options on the Mini-SPX Index (“XSP”) whose exercise settlement value is derived from closing prices on the last trading day prior to expiration (“P.M.-settled XSP”). On February 3, 2021, the Commission approved a rule change that amended the Pilot Program to allow the Exchange to list options on the Mini Russell 2000 Index (“MRUT”) whose exercise settlement value is derived from closing prices on the last trading day prior to expiration (“P.M.-settled MRUT”) (together, SPXPM, P.M.-settled XSP, and P.M.-settled MRUT to be referred to herein as the “Pilot Products”). The Exchange has extended the pilot period numerous times, which, pursuant to Rule 4.13.13, is currently set to expire on the earlier of May 3, 2021 or the date on which the pilot program is approved on a permanent basis.

The Exchange filed the proposal as a “non-controversial” proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6).


3 The Commission relocated it to Rule 4.13.


14 For more information on the Pilot Products or the Pilot Program, see the SPXPM Approval Order, the P.M.-settled XSP Approval Order, and the P.M.-settled MRUT Approval Order.

15 The Exchange recently relocated prior Rule 24.9, containing the provision which governs the Pilot Program, to current Rule 4.13. See SR–CBOE–2019–092 (October 4, 2019), which did not make any substantive changes to prior Rule 24.9 and merely relocated it to Rule 4.13.
