SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-67879; File No. SR-CBOE-2012-087)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change to Amend Rules Regarding Requests for Data Related to Exchange Reviews

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 September 4, 2012, the 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.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend its rules regarding the furnishing of data requested with respect to any review conducted by the Exchange. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website

(<a href="http://www.cboe.com/AboutCBOE/CBOELegalRegulatoryHome.aspx">http://www.cboe.com/AboutCBOE/CBOELegalRegulatoryHome.aspx</a>), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>

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

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

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

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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, Proposed Rule Change

## 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend its rules regarding the furnishing of data requested with respect to any review conducted by the Exchange. The Exchange currently requests and receives certain trade data from Trading Permit Holders ("TPHs") and TPH organizations on an ad hoc basis, in the course of discharging its regulatory responsibilities as a self-regulatory organization. TPHs and TPH organizations provide such data in a variety of different manners and formats, often piecemeal. Because the form of the submitted information is highly variable and the manner of submission is not standard, the Exchange's Regulatory Division expends considerable resources in re-organizing and systematizing the information in order to perform proper reviews and analyses.

As such, the Exchange proposes that, in addition to the existing obligation under Exchange rules regarding the production of books and records, each TPH or TPH organization shall furnish upon request, in the manner and standard electronic format prescribed by the Exchange, data concerning orders, transactions, and positions, including related hedges and offsets, in relation to a regulatory review conducted by the Exchange. This change would allow the Exchange to develop uniform procedures and forms for the submission of this order, position

This data, which is provided in a comma-separated values format, currently includes, when applicable, separate data fields for trade date, order entry time (milliseconds), cancel time (milliseconds), execution time (milliseconds), unique ticker symbol, side, execution price, event type, unique account identification, user ID, order ID, broker location, quantity, locate source for short sale, number of shares remaining after a partial execution, and the code of the exchange to which an order was routed.

and trade data (the "Trade Data"). The existence of a standard format for the submission of Trade Data would allow the TPHs to better prepare for regulatory responses and would allow the Exchange regulatory staff to review and analyze Trade Data in a vastly more efficient and organized manner which in turn will expedite such review and analysis. The Exchange proposes to publish by circular the layout of Trade Data that may be included in any particular request such that the TPHs can understand the specific information to be submitted in response to each request. For example, a particular request may require submission of the entire data layout or may be limited to only certain components of the layout.

The Exchange will not enforce compliance with this proposed rule change until the Exchange has announced an implementation plan. The Exchange expects to announce such implementation plan via a Regulatory Circular during the fourth calendar quarter of 2012. The implementation plan will include a subsequent compliance date. The intervening period between the announcement of the implementation plan and the compliance date will allow TPHs time to prepare to comply.

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act<sup>4</sup> and the rules and regulations thereunder and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act.<sup>5</sup>

Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5)<sup>6</sup> 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,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>6 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

to protect investors and the public interest. The existence of a uniform and standard format for the submission of Trade Data and other such information requested with respect to any review will remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism for a free and open market and a national market system, and in general, protect investors and the public interest by removing confusion regarding the submission of such information, and by making the review of such information a more efficient and effective process.

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

CBOE 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

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
  Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:
  - (A) by order approve or disapprove such proposed rule change, or
- (B) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

#### 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 (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-CBOE-2012-087 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-2012-087. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail 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 website (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>). 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 website 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 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-2012-087 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{7}$ 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).