SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-55315; File No. SR-NSCC-2006-19)

February 20, 2007

Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Modify its Fee Schedule

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), ¹ notice is hereby given that on December 29, 2006, National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which items have been prepared primarily by NSCC. NSCC filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act² whereby the proposal was effective upon filing with the Commission. 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> <u>Rule Change</u>

The proposed rule change revises NSCC's fee schedule for certain services provided by NSCC.

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, NSCC 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. NSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.³

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

The Commission has modified parts of these statements.

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

Pursuant to the proposed rule change, NSCC is reducing fees in Continuous Net

Settlement Services, Automated Customer Account Transfer Services (ACATS), and Mutual

Fund Networking to align the fees with NSCC's costs of providing services. In addition, NSCC is introducing new fees for dividend and interest payment processing and related research, which should help to standardize and simplify fees between NSCC and DTC. Additionally, NSCC is introducing a new fee for CNS fails to deliver to encourage members to address aged fails.

The revised fee schedule was filed as an attachment to the proposed rule change and may be found on NSCC's website at www.nscc.com. Except as otherwise noted on Exhibit 5, the proposed fee changes became effective on January 2, 2007.

The proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder because it updates NSCC's fee schedule. As such, it provides for the equitable allocation of fees among its participants.

- (B) <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

 NSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact or impose any burden on competition.
 - (C) <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u> <u>Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. NSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by NSCC.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>
 Because the foregoing rule change changes fees charged clearing members by NSCC, it has

become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁵ thereunder. At any time within sixty days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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 e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-NSCC-2006-19 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NSCC-2006-19. 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 Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection

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and copying at the principal office of NSCC and on NSCC's Web site at $\underline{www.nscc.com}.$ 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-NSCC-2006-19 and

should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority. ⁶

Florence E. Harmon Deputy Secretary

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