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Regulatory Circular: RG07-85

Date: August 9, 2007
To: Members
From: Equity and Index Option Procedures Committees
Re: Hybrid Opening System Timer Changes

On August 10, 2007, changes will begin to be made to extend the Hybrid Opening System (HOS) timers.

The opening rotation delay timer will be extended to 4 seconds, from the current 3 seconds. Hybrid series where there is no trade calculated to occur would begin moving to the open state 4 seconds after moving into Rotation. Those series with trades calculated will begin moving to the open state at subsequent 1-second intervals following the initial 4-second rotation delay timer. Thus, the earliest opening trades will occur 5-7 seconds after the move to Rotation.

Through the period August 20th to August 24th, 2007 additional timer changes will be implemented so that the no-trade series will be moved to the same random rotation timer as the trading series. At this time all series, those with trades, and those without trades, will begin moving to the open state at random 1-second intervals beginning no earlier than 5 seconds after the series had entered the rotation state.

Inquiries regarding this change may be directed to the Help Desk at 786-7100 or Doreen Scholla at 786-7529.