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Provide	Description Provide a brief description of the proposed rule change (limit 250 characters).  Amendment to Rule 8.3A relating to Class Quoting Limits							
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### Form 19b-4 Information







The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.

### Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change







The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO]-xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)

Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such

Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is

be filed in accordance with Instruction G.

referred to by the proposed rule change.

documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall

### Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, **Transcripts, Other Communications**







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### Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire









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### Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies







The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.

### Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text







The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change.

### Partial Amendment

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If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

### Item 1. Text of Proposed Rule Change

The Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" or "Exchange") proposes to amend CBOE Rule 8.3A pertaining to Class Quoting Limits. The text of the proposed rule change is provided below:

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(Additions are <u>underlined</u>)

### Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated Rules

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### Rule 8.3A - Maximum Number of Market Participants Quoting Electronically per Product

Rule 8.3A. (a) - (c) No Change.

...Interpretations and Policies:

.01 - .03 No Change.

The following Interpretation and Policy only applies to those option classes traded on the Hybrid Trading System or the Hybrid 2.0 Platform in which the CQL for the option class is full and there is a waiting list of member(s) requesting the ability to quote electronically in the option class. In the event a Market-Maker or RMM, who holds an appointment in an option class traded on the Hybrid Trading System or the Hybrid 2.0 Platform, has not submitted any electronic quotations in that option class during the preceding 30 calendar days, then the Market-Maker or RMM's appointment in that option class will be terminated effective immediately. The Market-Maker or RMM can subsequently request an appointment in the option class. If there is a wait-list of members requesting the ability to quote electronically, then Market-Maker or RMM will be placed on the wait-list for the option class. The Exchange will notify the Market-Maker or RMM prior to terminating its appointment, and the Exchange can make exceptions to this Interpretation and Policy in unusual circumstances.

### **Item 2**. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The proposed rule change was approved by the Exchange's Office of the Chairman pursuant to delegated authority on February 26, 2007.

Item 3. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory
Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

<u>Purpose</u>

CBOE Rule 8.3A establishes the upper limit, *i.e.*, Class Quoting Limit ("CQL"), on the number of members that may quote electronically in a particular product traded on CBOE's Hybrid Trading System and Hybrid 2.0 Platform (collectively "Hybrid").<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See SEC Release No. 51429 (March 24, 2005), 70 FR 16536 (March 31, 2005), approving SR-CBOE-2005-58.

The purpose of this rule change is to amend CBOE Rule 8.3A to adopt an interpretation which is applicable only in those option classes traded on Hybrid in which the CQL for the option class is full and there is a waiting list of member(s) requesting the ability to quote electronically in the option class. Specifically, in the event a Market-Maker or RMM, who holds an appointment in an option class traded on Hybrid, has not submitted any electronic quotations in that option class during the preceding 30 days, then the Market-Maker or RMM's appointment in that option class will be terminated effective immediately. CBOE will notify the Market-Maker or RMM prior to terminating its appointment, and the rule provides that CBOE can make exceptions to this Interpretation and Policy in unusual circumstances.

The Market-Maker or RMM can subsequently request an appointment in the option class. If there is a wait-list of members requesting the ability to quote electronically, then the Market-Maker or RMM will be placed on the wait-list for the option class.

Although CBOE anticipates that this situation may arise in only a handful of option classes from time to time, absent this interpretation, the CQL in these option classes could be met even though some number of appointed Market-Makers or RMMs are not submitting electronic quotations. As a consequence, other members who might be willing to provide competitive quotations and liquidity in that option class would be prevented from doing so unless CBOE determined to increase the CQL under the provisions of Rule 8.3A.

CBOE believes that this interpretation is consistent with the purpose of Rule 8.3A, which as noted above is to limit the number of members that are quoting electronically in a particular product to ensure that the Exchange has the ability to effectively handle all quotes generated by members. Although CBOE believes that it has the authority to terminate appointments of Market-Makers and RMMs under its exiting Rule 8.3 and Rule 8.4, CBOE determined to adopt this interpretation to specifically address the situation in which the CQL for the option class is full and there is a waiting list of member(s) requesting the ability to quote electronically in the option class, and the Market-Makers or RMMs who hold an appointment in an option class have chosen not to submit any electronic quotations during the preceding 30 days.

### **Statutory Basis**

Since the proposed changes set forth herein clearly establish the meaning of current Exchange rules that are already fairly implied by the language therein, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") in general and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) in particular in that it should promote just and equitable principles of trade, serve to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and protect investors and the public interest.

### **Item 4.** Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

This proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Rule 8.3(a) provides that "[t]he Exchange may suspend or terminate any Appointment of a Market-Maker under this rule and may make additional appointments whenever, in the Exchange's judgment, the interests of a fair and orderly market are best served by such action." Rule 8.4(e) contains similar language.

## Item 5. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

### Item 6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

The Exchange does not consent to an extension of the time period specified in Section 19(b)(2) of the Act for Commission consideration of the proposed rule change.

## Item 7. Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)

Not applicable.

## Item 8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or the Commission

This proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

### Item 9. Exhibits

Exhibit 1. Form of Notice of Proposed Rule Change for Publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>.

### EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND	EXCHANGE COMMISSION
(Release No. 34-	; File No. SR-CBOE-2007-27)
Dated:	
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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to Class Quoting Limits

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act" or "Exchange Act"), <sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated (the "Exchange" or "CBOE") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC" or "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 submits this rule change filing to amend CBOE Rule 8.3A pertaining to Class Quoting Limits. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website (<a href="http://www.cboe.com">http://www.cboe.com</a>), at the Office of the Secretary, CBOE and at the Commission.

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 self-regulatory organization 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 those statements may be examined at the

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

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

places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

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

### 1. Purpose

CBOE Rule 8.3A establishes the upper limit, *i.e.*, Class Quoting Limit ("CQL"), on the number of members that may quote electronically in a particular product traded on CBOE's Hybrid Trading System and Hybrid 2.0 Platform (collectively "Hybrid").<sup>3</sup>

The purpose of this rule change is to amend CBOE Rule 8.3A to adopt an interpretation which is applicable only in those option classes traded on Hybrid in which the CQL for the option class is full and there is a waiting list of member(s) requesting the ability to quote electronically in the option class. Specifically, in the event a Market-Maker or RMM, who holds an appointment in an option class traded on Hybrid, has not submitted any electronic quotations in that option class during the preceding 30 days, then the Market-Maker or RMM's appointment in that option class will be terminated effective immediately. CBOE will notify the Market-Maker or RMM prior to terminating its appointment, and the rule provides that CBOE can make exceptions to this Interpretation and Policy in unusual circumstances.

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### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") and the rules and regulations under the Exchange Act applicable to a national securities exchange and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Exchange Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5) Exchange Act<sup>5</sup> requirements that the rules of an exchange

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

be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

### B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

CBOE does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 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 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 (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml);

 Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-CBOE-2007-27 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-CBOE-2007-27. 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 site post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the CBOE. 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-2007-27 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For th	e Commission,	by the	Division	of Market	Regulation,	pursuant	to	delegated
authority.6								
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Dated:		_		Secre	tary			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).