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| For complete Form 19b-4 instructions please refer to the EFFS website. | | | | | | |
| Form 19b-4 Information (required) Add Remove View | 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 (required) Add Remove View | 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) | | | | | |
| Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications Add Remove View Exhibit Sent As Paper Document | Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G. | | | | | |
| Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire Add Remove View Exhibit Sent As Paper Document | 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 referred to by the proposed rule change. | | | | | |
| Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies Add Remove View | 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 Add Remove View | 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 Arid Remove View | 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 the Proposed Rule Change

- (a) C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated (the "Exchange" or "C2") proposes to amend the Fee Schedule of Market Data Express, LLC ("MDX"), an affiliate of C2. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.
 - (b) Not applicable.
 - (c) Not applicable.

Item 2. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

- (a) C2's Office of the Chairman pursuant to delegated authority approved the proposed rule change on February 14, 2012.
- (b) Please refer questions and comments on the proposed rule change to Joanne Moffic-Silver, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary, (312) 786-7462, or Jeff Dritz, (312) 786-7070, C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated, 400 South LaSalle, Chicago, Illinois 60605.

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

(a) Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to establish a monthly fee of \$500 per data port that MDX will charge for access to certain market data with respect to the trading of options on C2's market.

C2 currently collects and processes market data with respect to options quotes and orders and the prices of trades that are executed on the Exchange. This market data includes the "best bid and offer," or "BBO", consisting of all outstanding quotes and standing orders at the best available price level on each side of the market, with aggregate size ("BBO data," sometimes referred to as "top of book data"). Data with respect to executed trades is referred to as "last sale"

data. C2 formats its BBO data and last sale data according to Options Price Reporting Authority ("OPRA") specifications and sends the data to OPRA for redistribution to the public.

MDX provides to "Customers" a real-time, low latency data feed that includes the C2 BBO data and last sale data. (This data feed is sometimes referred to in this filing as the "BBO Data Feed"). The BBO and last sale data contained in the BBO Data Feed is identical to the data that C2 sends to OPRA. In addition, the BBO Data Feed includes certain data that is not included in the data sent to OPRA, namely, totals of customer versus non-customer contracts at the BBO, All-or-None contingency orders priced better than or equal to the BBO, and BBO data and last sale data for complex strategies (e.g., spreads, straddles, buy-writes, etc.).

MDX currently charges Customers a "direct connect fee" of \$1,000 per connection per month as well as a "per user fee" of \$25 per month per "Authorized User" or "Device" for receipt of the BBO Data Feed by Subscribers. An "Authorized User" is defined as an individual user (an individual human being) who is uniquely identified (by user ID and confidential password or other unambiguous method reasonably acceptable to MDX) and authorized by a Customer to access the BBO Data Feed supplied by the Customer. A "Device" is defined as any computer, workstation or other item of equipment, fixed or portable, that receives, accesses and/or displays data in visual, audible or other form. Either a C2 Trading Permit Holder or a non-C2 Trading Permit Holder may be a Customer. All Customers are assessed the same fees.

MDX provides ports that allow Customers to direct connect to MDX to receive the data feed. Currently, such ports are provided to Customers free of charge. However, MDX recently

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The Exchange notes that MDX makes available to Customers the BBO data and last sale data that is included in the BBO Data Feed no earlier than the time at which the Exchange sends that data to OPRA. The Exchange also notes that it also makes the BBO data and last sale data that is included in the BBO Data Feed available directly to its Trading Permit Holders, and permits them to redistribute the data to their customers.

made an investment to upgrade the equipment involved in the ports, and maintenance and upkeep of such ports has gotten costly, as well. As such, MDX proposes to assess a monthly fee of \$500 per data port in order to recoup such costs and maintain such equipment in the future, as well as cover other administrative costs. This amount is similar to the amount of fees assessed by other exchanges for access to similar data feed ports.³

The proposed fees would be implemented on March 1, 2012.

(b) <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to the Exchange and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act.⁴ Specifically, the Exchange also believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁵, which provides that Exchange rules may provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its Trading Permit Holders and other persons using its facilities. The proposed adoption of the monthly \$500 per port fee is reasonable because the fee is within the same range as those assessed on other exchanges, and because MDX must recoup the costs of upgrading and maintaining the equipment involved in the ports, as well as cover other administrative costs.⁶ The

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64964 (July 26, 2011) (SR-EDGA-2011-22) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64963 (July 26, 2011) (SR-EDGX-2011-21) (in which EDGA Exchange, Inc. ("EDGA") and EDGX Exchange, Inc. ("EDGX") each assess a monthly fee of \$500 per port for access to logical ports used to receive market data) and also Rule 7015(g) of the NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("NASDAQ") (in which NASDAQ assesses a monthly fee of \$600 per Internet port that is used to deliver market data).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4). See footnote 3.

proposed adoption of the port fee is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it will be assessed to all market participants equally.

Item 4. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization</u>'s Statement on Burden on Competition

C2 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.

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

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposed rule change.

Item 6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

C2 does not consent to an extension of the time period for Commission action on the proposed rule change specified in Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁷.

- Item 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)</u>
- (a) The proposed rule change is filed for immediate effectiveness pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁸ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁹ thereunder.
- (b) The Exchange designates that the proposed rule change establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange, which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing with the Commission. At any time within 60 days of the filing of this proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Not applicable.
- Item 8. <u>Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules or By-Laws of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission</u>

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

Item 9. Exhibits

- Exhibit 1. Completed Notice of Proposed Rule Change for publication in the Federal Register.
- Exhibit 5. Proposed rule text if not included under Item 1(a).

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-C2-2012-007]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to Amend the Fees Schedule of Market Data Express, LLC

[Insert date]

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on February 15, 2012, C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated (the "Exchange" or "C2") 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 Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend the Fee Schedule of Market Data Express, LLC ("MDX"), an affiliate of C2. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site (http://www.c2exchange.com/Legal/), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary, 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 Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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.

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

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

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposed rule change.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁸ See footnote 5.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for</u> Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)⁹ of the Act and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b-4¹⁰ thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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-C2-2012-007 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-C2-2012-007. 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

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁰ 17 C.F.R. 240.19b-4(f).

Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (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 Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 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-C2-2012-007 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 11

Secretary

¹¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5 TO SR-C2-2012-007

(additions are <u>underlined</u>; deletions are [bracketed])

MARKET DATA EXPRESS, LLC (MDX) CBOE STREAMING MARKETS FEES SCHEDULE MARCH 1, 2012

BBO Data Feed:

| | Direct Connect Fee ¹ (per connection per month) | Per User Fee ² (per month) | Per Data Port (per month) |
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| C2 | \$1000 | \$25.00 | \$500 |

- 1. Direct Connect Fee. The direct connect fee is payable by a "Customer". A "Customer" is any entity that receives the BBO Data Feed directly from MDX's system and then distributes it either internally or externally to Subscribers. A "Subscriber" is a person (other than an employee of a Customer) that receives the BBO Data Feed from a Customer for its own internal use.
- 2. Per User Fee. The per user fee is payable by a Customer. A Customer may determine total per user fees for receipt by each of its Subscribers, by counting either "Authorized Users" or "Devices." An "Authorized User" is an individual user (an individual human being) who is uniquely identified (by user ID and confidential password or other unambiguous method reasonably acceptable to MDX) and authorized by a Customer to access the BBO Data Feed supplied by the Customer. A "Device" is any computer, workstation or other item of equipment, fixed or portable, that receives, accesses and/or displays data in visual, audible or other form.