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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 For complete Form 19b-4 instructions please refer to the EFFS website. The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a Form 19b-4 Information * clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal Remove is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act. The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change * 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 Add Remove View 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 1A- Notice of Proposed Rule** The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, 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 or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies 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, security-based swap submission, or advance notice being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3) Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such Transcripts, Other Communications documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G. Remove View Add Exhibit Sent As Paper Document П Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire 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 Add Remove View referred to by the proposed rule change. Exhibit Sent As Paper Document The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and **Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies** deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit Add Remove View 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 Add View Remove of the proposed rule change. If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy **Partial Amendment** 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 its Fees Schedule. The text of the proposed rule change is in Exhibit 5.
 - (b) Not applicable.
 - (c) Not applicable.

Item 2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

- (a) The Exchange's President pursuant to delegated authority approved the proposed rule change on February 28, 2013.
- (b) Please refer questions and comments on the proposed rule change to Joanne Moffic-Silver, (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 Exchange proposes to amend its transaction fees for simple, non-complex orders in equity options classes to state that C2 Market-Makers will not be assessed a fee for Maker trades with any non-Public Customer market participants. This means that when a C2 Market-Maker is the Maker in a transaction, the C2 Market-Maker will not be assessed a fee unless the Taker in the transaction is a Public Customer. The purpose of the proposed change is to incentivize C2 Market-Makers to quote more aggressively.

(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.¹ Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act,² which requires that Exchange rules provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its Trading Permit Holders and other persons using its facilities. The Exchange believes that proposed change is reasonable because it will allow C2 Market-Makers to avoid paying a transaction fee for transactions for which they previously paid a transaction fee.

The Exchange believes that providing this Maker fee exemption to C2 Market-Makers and not to other market participants is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because C2 Market-Makers take on a number of obligations, including quoting obligations and the need to purchase permits, that some other market participants do not have. Further, offering a fee exemption for C2 Market-Makers (and only C2 Market-Maker Makers), who are the market participants that do the vast majority of quoting, incentivizes more and narrower quoting, thereby encouraging liquidity provision, which is vital to the marketplace and benefits all market participants. The Exchange believes that assessing Maker fees for C2 Market-Makers who trade with Public Customers while not assessing Maker fees for C2 Market-Makers who trade with other market participants is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because the Exchange already pays a rebate for Public Customer Taker transactions, and thus if the Exchange were to also not collect a fee from the C2 Market-Maker in such transactions, it would result in the Exchange paying for such transactions without collecting any revenue (a net negative), which would not be economically prudent. Further, market participants (including C2 Market-Makers) generally prefer to execute their

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¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b).

² 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

orders against Public Customer orders, and therefore it is justifiable for them to be still be assessed a fee for such preferable executions.

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

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. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose an unnecessary burden on intramarket competition because, while it will provide C2 Market-Makers with a fee exemption that other market participants do not receive, this change is intended to incentivize C2 Market-Makers, who are the market participants that do the vast majority of quoting, to provide more and narrower quoting, thereby encouraging liquidity provision, which is vital to the marketplace and benefits all market participants. Further, C2 Market-Makers take on a number of obligations, including quoting obligations and the need to purchase permits, that some other market participants do not have. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose an unnecessary burden on intermarket competition because it is designed to encourage more and narrower quoting, which would make C2 a more attractive trading venue for Market-Makers as well as other market participants on other exchanges who could benefit from C2's improved quotes. As such, to the extent that the proposed change may make C2 a more attractive trading venue for market participants on other exchanges, such market participants can always elect to become C2 market participants.

Item 5. <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.

Item 6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

Not applicable.

Item 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) or Section 19(b)(7)(D)</u>

- (a) The proposed rule change is filed for immediate effectiveness pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁴ 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 Securities and Exchange Commission (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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission will institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.
 - (c) Not applicable.
 - (d) Not applicable.

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

The proposed rule change is not based on a rule either of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

Item 9. Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act

Not applicable.

Item 10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

Item 11. 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-C2-2013-012]

[Insert date]

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

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), ¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, ² notice is hereby given that on [insert date], 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 its Fees Schedule. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website (http://www.c2exchange.com/Legal/), 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</u> <u>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

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

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.

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

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend its transaction fees for simple, non-complex orders in equity options classes to state that C2 Market-Makers will not be assessed a fee for Maker trades with any non-Public Customer market participants. This means that when a C2 Market-Maker is the Maker in a transaction, the C2 Market-Maker will not be assessed a fee unless the Taker in the transaction is a Public Customer. The purpose of the proposed change is to incentivize C2 Market-Makers to quote more aggressively.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to the Exchange and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act.³ Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act,⁴ which requires that Exchange rules provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its Trading Permit Holders and other persons using its facilities. The Exchange believes that proposed change is reasonable because it will allow C2 Market-Makers to avoid paying a transaction fee for transactions for which they previously paid a transaction fee.

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

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

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁵ and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b-4⁶ 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission will institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

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⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

^{6 17} C.F.R. 240.19b-4(f).

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>. <u>Please include File Number</u>
 SR-C2-2013-012 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-C2-2013-012. 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 the Commission's Internet website on (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 website 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 the 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-C2-2013-012 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.⁷

Secretary

¹⁷ CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

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

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C2 OPTIONS EXCHANGE, INCORPORATED FEES SCHEDULE [FEBRUARY 20]MARCH 1, 2013

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1. Transaction Fees

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B) Effective February 1, 2013, fees for simple, non-complex orders in equity options classes will be calculated based on the following formula. Fees are calculated on a per-contract basis. The maximum fee will be \$0.85 per contract.

Fee = (C2 BBO Market Width at time of execution) x (Market Participant Rate) x 50

BBO Market Width: Displayed C2 Ask Price – Displayed C2 Bid Price

Market Participant Rate:

Market Participant	Rate
C2 Market-Maker*	30%
Public Customer (Maker)	40%
All other origins	50%

* C2 Market-Makers will not be assessed a fee for Maker trades with any non-Public Customer market participants.

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