SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-96307; File No. SR-CboeBYX-2022-026)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Amend its Fee Schedule

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on November 1, 2022, Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "BYX") 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 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>

Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or BYX ) proposes to amend its Fee Schedule. The text of the proposed rule change is provided in Exhibit 5.

The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange's website (<a href="http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule\_filings/byx/">http://markets.cboe.com/us/equities/regulation/rule\_filings/byx/</a>), 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 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 specified in

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

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

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 Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

### 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to clarify that fee code  $X^3$  is applicable to certain routed orders that add or remove liquidity. The Exchange proposes to implement these changes effective November 1, 2022.

The Exchange proposes to clarify that fee code X is applicable to routed orders that add or remove liquidity. When certain fee codes were deleted from the Fee Schedule, the Exchange simultaneously proposed to update fee code X to make clear that it applies to all other routed orders that are not otherwise specified under other fee codes in the Fee Schedule. However, the Exchange did not make clear in the fee code table that fee code X is therefore also applicable to orders that both add and remove liquidity. Therefore, the Exchange is now proposing to add such language to the description of fee code X, eliminate the reference to "Removing" liquidity in the Standard Rates header for the Routing Liquidity column (which is applicable to fee code X), and make corresponding updates to footnote 8.

Fee code X is appended to routed orders.

See Securities Exchange Act No. 90999 (January 27, 2021) 86 FR 7914 (February 2, 2021) (SR-CboeBYX-2021-003).

Under the Transaction Fees section of the Fee Schedule, bullet four provides "[u]nless otherwise noted, all routing fees or rebates in the Fee Codes and Associated Fees table are for removing liquidity from the destination venue."

# 2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>6</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4),<sup>7</sup> in particular, as it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its Members, issuers and other persons using its facilities.

The Exchange believes the proposal to modify fee code X to explicitly provide that it is applicable to routed orders that add and remove liquidity on the destination exchange is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

Specifically, the proposal is intended only to make a clarifying change to the Fee Schedule and involves no substantive change.

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

The Exchange 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 believes its proposal to clarify that fee code X is applicable to liquidity adding and removing orders will have no impact on competition as it involves no substantive change, but merely is a clarifying change to the existing Fee Schedule.

C. <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.

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<sup>6 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>8</sup> and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b-4<sup>9</sup> 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.

## 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 (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-CboeBYX-2022-026 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-CboeBYX-2022-026. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f).

your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet website (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, DC 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. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CboeBYX-2022-026 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. <sup>10</sup>

Sherry R. Haywood, Assistant Secretary.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).