

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

The proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is 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**

Because the foregoing rule change establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge applicable only to a member imposed by Amex, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>5</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder.<sup>6</sup> At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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.<sup>7</sup>

### **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 [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-Amex-2007-31 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-Amex-2007-31. This file

number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments

or new securities collateral information is received between 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m. on a good faith basis only. In situations where FICC has been notified of a substitution but the new securities collateral has not yet been reported to FICC, FICC will continue to employ the risk management measures that were instituted by FICC in prior rule filings.<sup>5</sup>

FICC believes that imposition of the final deadline will encourage members to submit their repo collateral substitution notification requests and required information on a timely basis and will alleviate the operational burdens associated with late receipt of this information.

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A of the Act,<sup>6</sup> as amended, because it encourages members to submit repo collateral substitution requests and required information associated therewith on a timely basis. As such, it will support the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.

*(B) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

FICC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have any impact or impose any burden on competition.

*(C) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

Written comments relating to the proposed rule change have not yet been solicited or received. FICC will notify the Commission of any written comments received by FICC.

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

Section 17A(b)(3)(F)<sup>7</sup> of the Act requires that the rules of a clearing agency be designed to promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions. The Commission finds that FICC's proposed rule change is consistent with FICC's obligation under the Act because it encourages FICC's members to submit repo collateral substitution requests and required information associated therewith on a timely basis.<sup>8</sup>

The Commission finds good cause for approving the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice of filing in the **Federal Register** because doing so will allow FICC to implement the proposed rule change in April in accordance with its system change implementation schedule.

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