whether the proposed rule 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 (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an email to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–Phlx–2012–104 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2012-104. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The 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, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 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-Phlx-2012-104 and should be submitted on or before September 5, 2012.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁹

Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-67632; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2012-64]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change To List and Trade Option Contracts Overlying 10 Shares of a Security

August 9, 2012

On June 15, 2012, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") ¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, ² a proposed rule change to list and trade option contracts overlying 10 shares of a security. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2012.³ The Commission received two comment letters on this proposal.⁴

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act 5 provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day for this filing is August 17, 2012. The Commission is extending this 45-day time period.

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider this proposed rule change, which would allow the listing of a new type of options product, the comment letters that have been submitted in connection with this proposed rule change, and any response to the comment letters submitted by the Exchange.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ designates October 1, 2012 as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR–NYSEArca–2012–64).

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

Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-67631; File No. SR-ISE-2012-58]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change To List and Trade Option Contracts Overlying 10 Shares of a Security

August 9, 2012.

On June 20, 2012, the International Securities Exchange, LLC ("Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") 1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,2 a proposed rule change to list and trade option contracts overlying 10 shares of a security. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2012.3 The Commission received one comment letter on this proposal.4

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act ⁵ provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the

^{19 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

 $^{^3}$ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67283 (June 27, 2012), 77 FR 39535.

⁴ See letters to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Commission, from Christopher Nagy, President, KOR Trading LLC, dated July 10, 2012 and Edward T. Tilly, President and Chief Operating Officer, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, dated July 24, 2012.

^{5 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

^{7 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).

^{1 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

 $^{^3\,}See$ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67284 (June 27, 2012), 77 FR 39545.

⁴ See letter to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Commission, from Edward T. Tilly, President and Chief Operating Officer, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, dated July 24, 2012.

^{5 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day for this filing is August 17, 2012. The Commission is extending this 45-day time period.

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider this proposed rule change, which would allow the listing of a new type of options product, the comment letter that has been submitted in connection with this proposed rule change, and any response to the comment letter submitted by the Exchange.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ designates October 1, 2012 as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR–ISE–2012–58).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Kevin M. O'Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-67630; File No. SR-Phlx-2012-101]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Clearing Arrangements

August 9, 2012.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on July 30, 2012, NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC ("Phlx" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to adopt a new Rule 1046 entitled "Clearing Arrangements" to further clarify the text of Exchange Rule 911, entitled "Member and Member Organization
Participation" with respect to the requirement to have a membership in or access arrangement with a clearing agency.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at http://nasdaqtrader.com/micro.aspx?id=PHLXfilings, at the principal office of the Exchange, on the Commission's Web site at http://www.sec.gov, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

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

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to adopt a new Rule 1046 to provide clarity for members or member organizations that are conducting an options business on the Exchange. Exchange Rule 911 requires initial and continuing compliance with the provisions of Exchange Rule 911 to participate in the Exchange as a member or member organization. Specifically, Rule 911(a)(2) states that "membership in, or access arrangement with a member of, a clearing agency registered with the Commission which maintains facilities through which Exchange compared trades may be settled" is required initially upon membership with the Exchange and must be continually maintained during membership. The Rule applies broadly to all members and member organizations, whether they conduct

equities or options business, but does not specifically define what qualifies as a clearing arrangement.

The Exchange is proposing to clarify this requirement by adopting Rule 1046, entitled "Clearing Arrangements," specifically applicable to Exchange members and member organizations conducting an options business. Rule 1046 would require a member or member organization conducting an options business to either have a direct membership in The Options Clearing Corporation ("the OCC"), or an indirect relationship with an Exchange member organization that is a clearing member of the OCC.

The Exchange believes the proposed language further clarifies the existing requirement of Rule 911 by specifying that a clearing arrangement means a direct membership with the OCC or an indirect relationship with an Exchange member organization that has a membership in the OCC. The Exchange believes this is not a substantive change but rather a clarifying amendment.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act ³ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act ⁴ in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that clarifying its current text by adopting a new Rule 1046 to specify the types of clearing arrangements a member or member organization conducting an options business is required to obtain and maintain will assist prospective and current members in understanding the obligations of Rule 911 relating to clearing arrangements. The proposed rule serves to codify with specificity the obligations which today apply to current Exchange members and member organizations. The proposed amendment is non-substantive.

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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

^{6 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

^{7 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

^{4 15} U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁵ All current members and member organizations today comply with proposed Rule 1046.