## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–52033; File No. SR-BSE-2005-20]

#### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Boston Stock Exchange; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Trade Shredding

July 14, 2005.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, ("Act") 1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,2 notice is hereby given that on June 23, 2005, the Boston Stock Exchange ("BSE" or "Exchange") 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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend its rules relating to trade shredding ("Units of Trading"). The text of the proposed rule change appears below. Additions are in italics.

### Chapter II

# Dealings on the Exchange SEC. 4.

#### **Units of Trading**

The unit of trading in bonds shall be \$1000 in par value thereof.

The unit of trading in stocks shall be 100 shares, except that the Exchange may fix a smaller number of shares in any particular instance.

Bids or offers for less than the unit of trading shall specify the par value of the bonds or number of shares of stock covered by the bid or offer.

A customer's order in the unit of trading, or multiples thereof, in any security traded on the Exchange, the primary market for which is on another Exchange, may not be split into oddlots. A member may not split any order into multiple smaller orders for any purpose other than seeking the best execution of the entire order.

1 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

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#### 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 BSE 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 BSE 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 the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend a section of the Rules of the Board of Governors of the Boston Stock Exchange ("BSE Rules") to prohibit trade shredding. The BSE is proposing to add language to its existing BSE Rules to prohibit BSE members from splitting large orders into multiple smaller orders for any purpose other than best execution.

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>4</sup> 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 is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, brokers, or dealers, or to regulate by virtue of any authority matters not related to the administration of the Exchange.

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

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will impose no burden on competition.

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

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received comments on this proposal.

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

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve such proposed rule change, or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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 e-mail to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–BSE–2005–20 on the subject line.

#### Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Station Place, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–9303.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-BSE-2005-20. 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 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices of BSE. All

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

<sup>3 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>4 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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–BSE–2005–20 and should be submitted on or before August 12, 2005.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>5</sup>

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-52044; File No. SR-CBOE-2005-28]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to DPM Obligations for Maintaining Backup Autoquote Systems

July 15, 2005.

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 April 1, 2005, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" or "Exchange") 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 CBOE. 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 submits this rule change filing, which proposes to amend CBOE rules to remove the requirement that Designated Primary Market-Makers maintain a back-up quoting system for Hybrid and non-Hybrid option classes.

The text of the proposed rule change is provided below. Additions are in *italics*; deletions are in [brackets].

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#### **CHAPTER VIII**

Market-Makers, Trading Crowds and Modified Trading Systems (Rules 8.1– 8.95)

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### Rule 8.1–8.84 No Change. Rule 8.85. DPM Obligations

(a) Dealer Transactions. Each DPM shall fulfill all of the obligations of a Market-Maker under the Rules, and shall satisfy each of the following requirements in respect of each of the securities allocated to the DPM. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between the specific obligations of a DPM set forth in subparagraphs (a)(i) through (a)(xi) of this Rule and the general obligations of a Market Maker under the Rules, subparagraphs (a)(i) through (a)(xi) of this Rule shall govern. Each DPM shall:

(i)-(x) No Change.

[(xi) in the case of a DPM utilizing a proprietary autoquote system in a non-CBOE Hybrid System class, assure that the Exchange's AutoQuote system is maintained as a back-up at all times and ready for immediate use.

(xii) in the case of a DPM utilizing a proprietary autoquote system in a Hybrid System class, the DPM must have available for immediate use an alternative autoquote system that is entirely independent of the DPM's primary autoquote system.]

(b)–(e) No Change.

#### \* \* \* Interpretations and Policies:

**.01–.04** No Change.

## Rule 17.50. Imposition of Fines for Minor Rule Violations

(a)-(f) No Change.

(g) The following is a list of the rule violations subject to, and the applicable fines that may be imposed by the Exchange pursuant to this Rule:

(1)-(9) No Change.

- [(10) Violations of DPM Obligation to Assure that a Back-Up Auto Quote System is Maintained at all Times. (Rules 8.85(a)(xi) and (xii))
- (a) A fine shall be imposed upon a DPM that fails to assure that disseminated market quotations are accurate for any given trading station because of a failure of the DPM's proprietary autoquote system during market hours coupled with the DPM's failure to maintain a back-up autoquote system.

Fine Amount

Referral to Business Conduct Committee Referral to Busines:

Subsequent Offenses Referral to Business Conduct Committeel

[(11)](10) Communications to the Exchange or the Clearing Corporation (Rule 4.11)

No Change.

## \* \* \* Interpretations and Policies:

.01-.04 No Change.

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

In its filing with the Commission, CBOE 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 CBOE 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

Exchange Rules 8.85(a)(xi) and (xii) both impose an obligation on DPMs to maintain independent backup autoquote systems that can be employed in the event that a DPM's proprietary autoquote system should fail or be otherwise unavailable. Rule 8.85(a)(xi) governs non-CBOE Hybrid System ("non-Hybrid") classes and requires DPMs to maintain the Exchange's AutoQuote system as a backup for non-Hybrid classes. Because of compatibility restrictions, the Exchange's AutoQuote system cannot be used as a backup for Hybrid classes, so the Exchange adopted Rule 8.85(a)(xii), which requires DPMs to maintain an independent backup autoquote system that it may employ in the event its proprietary autoquote

<sup>5 17</sup> CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

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

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