SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-57385; File No. SR-NSCC-2007-17)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; the National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Fee Schedule

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), notice is hereby given that on December 31, 2007, the National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") 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 primarily by NSCC. 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</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

The proposed rule change modifies NSCC's fee schedule.

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, NSCC 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. NSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.²

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

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to revise fees for certain services provided by

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¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

The Commission has modified parts of these statements.

NSCC. These revisions include the following fee changes to align fees with costs of delivering services:

- implementation of a restructured clearing fee model, changing from the current solely transaction-based pricing structure to a methodology that combines the number of transactions processed with the value of those transactions;
- 2. reductions in Automated Customer Account Transfer Services (ACATS) fee;
- 3. reductions in Fund/SERV and Networking fees;
- 4. elimination of Insurance and Retirement Processing Services file fees; and
- introduction of new fees for a new Funds Transfers service to be introduced in 2008 under NSCC's Insurance and Retirement Processing Services product line.

NSCC's fee schedule as it is being modified by this proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5 to NSCC's filing.³ Unless otherwise noted in Exhibit 5, the proposed fee changes became effective on January 2, 2008.

The proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, because it provides for the equitable allocation of fees among its participants.

(B) <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

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

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

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File No. SR-NSCC-2007-17, including Exhibit 5, can be viewed at http://www.dtcc.com/downloads/legal/rule_filings/2007/nscc/2007-17.pdf.

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

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

Because the foregoing rule change changes fees charged by NSCC, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁵ thereunder. At any time within sixty 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.

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>. Please include File Number SR-NSCC-2007-17 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.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

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All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NSCC-2007-17. 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, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NSCC. 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-NSCC-2007-17 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.⁶

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