

competitors are free to modify their own fees and credits in response, and because market participants may readily adjust their order routing practices, the Exchange believes that the degree to which fee changes in this market may impose any burden on competition is extremely limited. As a result of all of these considerations, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed changes will impair the ability of ETP Holders or competing order execution venues to maintain their competitive standing in the financial markets.

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

The foregoing rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)¹¹ of the Act and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4¹² thereunder, because it establishes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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 shall institute proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B)¹³ of the Act 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 (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NYSEArca-2018-10 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-NYSEArca-2018-10. 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 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-NYSEArca-2018-10 and should be submitted on or before March 7, 2018.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

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Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Depository Trust Company; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change To Restore the Timeframe for Processing Credit Post-Payable Adjustments

February 8, 2018.

On December 21, 2017, The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") proposed rule change SR-DTC-2017-023, pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder.² The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on January 8, 2018.³ The Commission did not receive any comment letters on the proposed rule change. For the reasons discussed below, the Commission approves the proposed rule change.

I. Description of the Proposed Rule Change

The proposed rule change would modify DTC's Distributions Service Guide ("Guide")⁴ to (i) increase the timeframe for accepting a request from an issuer or its agent ("Paying Agent") for a post-payable adjustment ("PPA") that results in a credit payment, and (ii) make technical changes to the Guide, as more fully described below.

A. Current PPA Process

On a daily basis, DTC collects and allocates distributions on securities held by DTC.⁵ The distributions are commonly referred to as principle and income payments, and they include dividend, interest, principal, redemption, and maturity payments, as applicable.⁶ Occasionally, an error can occur with a principal or income payment due to an error on the part of the Paying Agent, trustee, issuer, or a change in the principle factor or rate.⁷ When an error occurs, Paying Agents can request that DTC issue a PPA. A PPA can result in a debit ("Debit PPA")

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 82433 (January 2, 2018), 83 FR 927 (January 8, 2017) (SR-DTC-2017-023) ("Notice").

⁴ Available at <http://www.dtcc.com/~media/Files/Downloads/legal/service-guides/Distributions-Service-Guide-FINAL-January-2017.pdf>.

⁵ Notice, 83 FR at 927.

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ *Id.*

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

or credit (“Credit PPA”) to the affected DTC participant (“Participant”).⁸

Upon the receipt of a PPA, affected Participants would need to make adjustments to their affected customers’ accounts for any misapplied principal or income and any associated interest.⁹ In addition, affected Participants may need to process adjustments against any customer that traded the security after the initial payment had occurred.¹⁰

Currently, DTC does not accept a request for a PPA, regardless of whether it would be a Debit PPA or a Credit PPA, beyond 90 calendar days after the initial payment date.¹¹ If a Paying Agent wants to make a PPA beyond 90 days, the adjustment cannot be processed through DTC.¹² Instead, the Paying Agent must request from DTC a listing of all affected Participants and positions.¹³ Then, using that list, the Paying Agent must contact each affected Participant to make direct adjustments and/or payment arrangements outside of DTC.¹⁴

B. Proposed Timeline for Credit PPAs

DTC proposes to extend the 90-day cutoff for PPA Credits to one year.¹⁵ DTC states that the new timeline for Credit PPAs would allow Paying Agents more time to correct allocations to Participants efficiently through DTC, rather than requiring the Paying Agent to make the Credit PPAs bilaterally with each Participant, outside of DTC.¹⁶ DTC states that this efficiency would allow Participants, their customers, and end investors to receive their credits more quickly.¹⁷

The proposed rule change would not alter the timeline for Debit PPAs. DTC states that Debit PPAs create significant credit risk exposure for Participants, customers, and investors as more time passes.¹⁸ DTC states that Participants have difficulty recovering debited funds from their customers that may no longer have an account, may not have available funds, or may no longer service the end investor.¹⁹ Therefore, DTC would preserve the 90-day cutoff for Debit PPAs.

C. Proposed Technical Changes to the Guide

DTC also proposes some technical changes to the Guide. Specifically, DTC would modify the Guide to (i) remove an inaccurate statement that PPA adjustments appear on Participant statements—such adjustments do not appear on Participant statements; (ii) add the word “principal” to the list of payments that may be subject to a PPA—for consistency with the term “P&I;” and (iii) remove an incorrect reference to CMO/ABS securities.²⁰

II. Discussion and Commission Findings

Section 19(b)(2)(C) of the Act²¹ directs the Commission to approve a proposed rule change of a self-regulatory organization if it finds that such proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and rules and regulations thereunder applicable to such organization. The Commission finds that this proposal is consistent with Act, specifically Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.²²

Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act requires, in part, that the rules of the clearing agency be designed to promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.²³ By extending the cutoff period from 90 days to one year for the processing of Credit PPAs through DTC, DTC would be providing centralized processing for Credit PPAs for a longer period. Enabling Paying Agents to avail themselves of such central processing for a longer period would help the Paying Agents avoid the manual process of bilaterally processing the Credit PPAs outside of DTC after 90 days. In doing so, the proposal would enable Paying Agents to correct errors in Credit PPAs more efficiently and effectively over a longer period. Therefore, the Commission finds the proposed extension from 90 days to one year for Credit PPAs to be processed by DTC would help promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions, consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.²⁴

The Commission also finds that DTC’s technical changes to the Guide would promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions, consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.²⁵ Clarifying terms and descriptions in the Guide

would help make the Guide more accurate and clear. Maintaining an accurate and clear Guide would enable Participants and other stakeholders to better understand their respective rights and obligations. Accordingly, the Commission finds that the proposed change to make technical changes to the Guide would promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions, consistent with the requirements of Section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.²⁶

III. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act, in particular the requirements of Section 17A of the Act²⁷ and the rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that proposed rule change SR–DTC–2017–023 be, and hereby is, *approved*.²⁸

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.²⁹

Eduardo A. Aleman,

Assistant Secretary.

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[Release No. 34–82673; File No. SR–MIAX–2018–02]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend Its Fee Schedule

February 8, 2018.

Pursuant to the provisions of 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 January 30, 2018, Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC (“MIAX Options” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) a 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

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ *Id.*

¹² *Id.*

¹³ *Id.*

¹⁴ *Id.*

¹⁵ *Id.*

¹⁶ *Id.*

¹⁷ *Id.*

¹⁸ *Id.* at 927–28.

¹⁹ *Id.* at 928.

²⁰ *Id.*

²¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(C).

²² 15 U.S.C. 78q–1(b)(3)(F).

²³ *Id.*

²⁴ *Id.*

²⁵ *Id.*

²⁶ *Id.*

²⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78q–1.

²⁸ In approving the proposed rule change, the Commission considered the proposals’ impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

²⁹ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.