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) 78 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–CHX–2018–07 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-CHX-2018-07. 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–CHX–2018–07 and should be submitted on or before January 18, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{79}$ 

#### Brent J. Fields,

Secretary.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–84888; File No. SR–MIAX–2018–34]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Miami International Securities Exchange LLC; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change To Amend Exchange Rule 519, MIAX Order Monitor; Exchange Rule 519A, Risk Protection Monitor; and Rule 517, Quote Types Defined

December 20, 2018.

On November 9, 2018, Miami 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,<sup>2</sup> a proposed rule change to amend Exchange Rules 519 (MIAX Order Monitor), 519A (Risk Protection Monitor), and 517 (Quote Types Defined). The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on November 20, 2018.3 The Commission has received no comments on the proposal.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act <sup>4</sup> 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 January 4, 2019.

The Commission is extending the 45-day time period for Commission action on the proposed rule change. The Commission finds that it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act <sup>5</sup> and for the reasons stated above, the Commission designates February 18, 2019, as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR–MIAX–2018–34).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>6</sup>

#### Brent J. Fields,

Secretary.

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-84882; File No. SR-NYSENAT-2018-27]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE National, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Change To Make Non-Substantive Changes to Its Certificate of Incorporation

December 20, 2018.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) <sup>1</sup> of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") <sup>2</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>3</sup> notice is hereby given that, on December 18, 2018, NYSE National, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "NYSE National") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to

considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78cffl.

<sup>78 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> 17 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84594 (Nov. 14, 2018), 83 FR 58642.

<sup>4 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>5 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>6 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78a.

<sup>3 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4.

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 make nonsubstantive changes to its certificate of incorporation. The proposed change is available on the Exchange's website at www.nyse.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, 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 self-regulatory organization 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 those 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 parts 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 Exchange proposes to make two non-substantive changes to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Exchange ("Exchange Certificate").

The Exchange recently filed to amend the Exchange Certificate (as amended, the "Amended Certificate") to (1) harmonize certain provisions thereunder with similar provisions in the governing documents of the Exchange's national securities exchange affiliates and parent companies; and (2) make clarifying and updating changes.4 Such changes will become operative upon the Amended Certificate becoming effective pursuant to its filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, which will not be prior to 30 days from the date on which the November Amendment was filed.5

The Exchange proposes to make two non-substantive changes to the Amended Certificate prior to its being filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware. Specifically, in the first sentence of the introductory paragraph and the signature line, the Exchange's name is written in capital and lower case letters, as "NYSE National, Inc." The Exchange proposes to amend the name so that it is in all capital letters, as "NYSE NATIONAL, INC." <sup>6</sup>

Such changes would become operative upon the Amended Certificate becoming effective pursuant to its filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

The Exchange is proposing to make the described changes because currently the exact name of the Exchange on the records of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware is "NYSE NATIONAL, INC." The previously filed changes to Article FIRST, which uses the name "NYSE National, Inc.", will update the name of the Exchange on such records of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware from "NYSE NATIONAL, INC." to "NYSE National, Inc.",

### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Exchange Act,8 in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(1)9 in particular, in that it enables the Exchange to be so organized as to have the capacity to be able to carry out the purposes of the Exchange Act and to comply, and to enforce compliance by its exchange members and persons associated with its exchange members, with the provisions of the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations thereunder, and the rules of the Exchange. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Exchange Act,<sup>10</sup> in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, 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 proposed non-substantive changes would conform the Amended Certificate with the records of the Secretary of State of Delaware, which

would further enable the Exchange to be so organized as to have the capacity to be able to carry out the purposes of the Exchange Act and to comply, and to enforce compliance by its exchange members and persons associated with its exchange members, with the provisions of the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations thereunder, and the rules of the Exchange. Such amendments would also remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market by removing any confusion that may result from any inconsistency between the Amended Certificate and the records of the Secretary of State of Delaware. The Exchange further believes that the proposed amendments would not be inconsistent with the public interest and the protection of investors because investors will not be harmed and in fact would benefit from increased transparency and clarity, thereby reducing potential confusion. The proposed changes would have no effect on the operations of the Exchange.

# 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 that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Exchange Act. The proposed rule change is not intended to address competitive issues but rather is non-substantive and concerned solely with the corporate governance and administration of the Exchange.

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 proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act <sup>11</sup> and Rule 19b–4(f)(3) <sup>12</sup> thereunder in that the proposed rule change is concerned solely with the administration of the Exchange.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may 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,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Exchange Act Release No. 84644 (November 21, 2018), 83 FR 61177 (November 28, 2018) (SR–NYSENAT–2018–24) ("November Amendment") (notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of proposed rule change to amend Exchange Certificate and bylaws).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Id. at 61182.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> *Id.* at 61178. The Exchange inadvertently stated in the November Amendment that the legal name of the Exchange is not entirely in capital letters. *Id.* This previous statement, and current correction, have no effect on the operations of the Exchange.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Del. Code tit. 8, § 242.

<sup>8 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>9 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(1).

<sup>10 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>11 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>12 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(3).

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) <sup>13</sup> 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– NYSENAT-2018-27 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-NYSENAT-2018-27. 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–NYSENAT–2018–27, and should be submitted on or before January 18, 2019.

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

#### Brent J. Fields,

Secretary.

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-84879; File No. SR-OCC-2018-014]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Options Clearing Corporation; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Partial Amendment No. 1, Related to The Options Clearing Corporation's Margin Methodology for Incorporating Variations in Implied Volatility

December 20, 2018.

#### I. Introduction

On October 22, 2018, The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change SR–OCC–2018–014 ("Proposed Rule Change") pursuant to Section 19(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") <sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b–4 <sup>2</sup> thereunder to propose changes to OCC's model for incorporating variations in implied volatility within OCC's margin methodology, the System for Theoretical Analysis and Numerical Simulations.<sup>3</sup>

On October 30, 2018, OCC filed a partial amendment ("Partial Amendment No. 1") to the Proposed Rule Change. 4 The Proposed Rule Change, as modified by Partial Amendment No. 1, was published for public comment in the **Federal Register** on November 8, 2018, <sup>5</sup> and the

Commission received no comments regarding the Proposed Rule Change. This order approves the Proposed Rule Change.

## II. Background

The System for Theoretical Analysis and Numerical Simulations ("STANS") is OCC's methodology for calculating margin. STANS includes econometric models that incorporate a number of risk factors. OCC defines a risk factor in STANS as a product or attribute whose historical data is used to estimate and simulate the risk for an associated product. The majority of risk factors utilized in STANS are the returns on individual equity securities; however, a number of other risk factors may be considered, including, among other things, returns on implied volatility risk factors.6

As a general matter, the implied volatility of an option is a measure of the expected future volatility of the option's underlying security at expiration, which is reflected in the price of the option.<sup>7</sup> Changes in implied volatility, therefore, result in changes to an option's value. In effect, the implied volatility is responsible for that portion of the premium that cannot be attributed to the then-current intrinsic value of the option (*i.e.*, the difference between the price of the underlying and the exercise price of the option), discounted to reflect its time value.

STANS includes a model that simulates variations in implied volatility for most of the option contracts that OCC clears ("Implied Volatility Model").8 The purpose of

under the Act. 12 U.S.C. 5465(e)(1). 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1) and 17 CFR 240.19b-4, respectively. The Advance Notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 26, 2018. Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84626 (Nov. 19, 2018), 83 FR 60541 (Nov. 26, 2018) (SR-OCC-2018-804).

<sup>6</sup>In December 2015, the Commission approved a proposed rule change and issued a Notice of No Objection to an advance notice filing by OCC to its modify margin methodology by more broadly incorporating variations in implied volatility within STANS. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76781 (Dec. 28, 2015), 81 FR 135 (Jan. 4, 2016) (SR–OCC–2015–016) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76548 (Dec. 3, 2015), 80 FR 76602 (Dec. 9, 2015) (SR–OCC–2015–804).

<sup>7</sup> Using the Black-Scholes options pricing model, the implied volatility is the standard deviation of the underlying asset price necessary to arrive at the market price of an option of a given strike, time to maturity, underlying asset price and the current risk-free rate.

<sup>8</sup> OCC's Implied Volatility Model excludes: (i) Binary options, (ii) options on commodity futures, (iii) options on U.S. Treasury securities, and (iv) Asians and Cliquets. These products were relatively new products at the time that OCC completed its last implied volatility margin methodology changes, and OCC had de minimus open interest in those options. OCC uses its Implied Volatility Model specifically for options that have a residual tenor of less than three years ("Shorter Tenor Options").

<sup>13 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

<sup>14 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.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3}\,See$  Notice of Filing infra note 5, at 83 FR 55918.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In Partial Amendment No. 1, OCC corrected an error in Exhibit 5 without changing the substance of the Proposed Rule Change. References to the Proposed Rule Change from this point forward refer to the Proposed Rule Change, as amended by Partial Amendment No. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84524 (Nov. 2, 2018), 83 FR 55918 (Nov. 8, 2018) (SR–OCC–2018–014) ("Notice of Filing"). OCC also filed a related advance notice (SR–OCC–2018–804) ("Advance Notice") with the Commission pursuant to Section 806(e)(1) of Title VIII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, entitled the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010 and Rule 19b–4(n)(1)(i)