

central counterparty, thereby promoting the prompt and accurate settlement of the additional SES and SWES contracts and other credit default swap transactions.

Therefore, the Commission finds that clearance of the additional SES and SWES contracts would promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions, consistent with section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act.<sup>9</sup>

#### *b. Consistency With Rule 17Ad-22(e)(1)*

Rule 17Ad-22(e)(1) requires ICC to establish, implement, maintain, and enforce written policies and procedures reasonably designed to provide for a well-founded, clear, transparent, and enforceable legal basis for each aspect of its activities in all relevant jurisdictions.<sup>10</sup>

The Commission believes that the proposed rule change would help provide a well-founded, clear, transparent, and enforceable legal basis for ICC's clearance of SES contracts on Romania and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam as well as SWES contracts on the Kingdom of Sweden. By amending Rule 26D-102 to add both the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and Romania to the list of specific Eligible SES Reference Entities to be cleared by ICC, the proposed rule change would help to ensure that ICC can clear SES contracts on those countries pursuant to its existing rules in Subchapter 26D. Likewise, by amending Rule 26I-102 to add the Kingdom of Sweden to the list of specific Eligible SWES Reference Entities to be cleared by ICC, the proposed rule change would help to ensure that ICC can clear SWES contracts on the Kingdom of Sweden pursuant to its rules in Subchapter 26I. The Commission believes Subchapter 26D and Subchapter 26I each would provide a well-founded, clear, transparent, and enforceable legal basis for ICC to clear these contracts, consistent with the requirements of Rule 17Ad-22(e)(1).<sup>11</sup>

#### **IV. Conclusion**

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act, and in particular, with the requirements of section 17A(b)(3)(F) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and Rule 17Ad-22(e)(1) thereunder.<sup>13</sup>

*It is therefore ordered* pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>14</sup> that the proposed rule change (SR-ICC-2023-010), be, and hereby is, approved.<sup>15</sup>

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>16</sup>

**Sherry R. Haywood,**

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### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Extension: Form 6-K—Exchange Act Rules 13a-16 and 15d-16**

*Upon Written Request Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form 6-K (17 CFR 249.306) is a disclosure document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) that must be filed by a foreign private issuer to report material information promptly after the occurrence of specified or other important corporate events that are disclosed in the foreign private issuer's home country. The purpose of Form 6-K is to ensure that U.S. investors have access to the same information that foreign investors do when making investment decisions. Form 6-K takes approximately 8.7 hours per response and is filed by approximately 34,794 issuers annually. We estimate that 75% of the 8.7 hours per response (6.525 hours) is prepared by the issuer for a total annual reporting burden of 227,031 hours (6.525 hours per response × 34,794 responses).

<sup>14</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>15</sup> In approving the proposed rule change, the Commission considered the proposal's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>16</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

*Written comments are invited on:* (a) whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden imposed by the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication by October 23, 2023.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

Please direct your written comment to David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o John Pezzullo, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: [PRA\\_Mailbox@sec.gov](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).

Dated: August 17, 2023.

**Sherry R. Haywood,**

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### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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#### **Self-Regulatory Organizations; ICE Clear Credit LLC; Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 1 and Partial Amendment No. 2 and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1 and Partial Amendment No. 2, Relating to the ICE Default Auction Procedures—Initial Default Auctions**

August 16, 2023.

#### **I. Introduction**

On June 22, 2023, ICE Clear Credit LLC ("ICC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> a proposed rule change to amend the ICC Default Auction Procedures—Initial Default Auctions

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

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

<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

<sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 240Ad-22(e)(1).

<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(1).

<sup>12</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78q-1(b)(3)(F).

<sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.17Ad-22(e)(1).