

Price and trading volume information for the Shares will be published daily in the financial section of newspapers. Quotation and last-sale information regarding the Shares will be disseminated through the facilities of the CTA.

In sum, the Exchange believes that this proposal is consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, that on the whole the manipulation concerns previously articulated by the Commission are sufficiently mitigated to the point that they are outweighed by investor protection issues that would be resolved by approving this proposal.

For the above reasons, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act.

#### *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 purpose of the Act. The Exchange notes that the proposed rule change, rather will facilitate the listing and trading of an additional exchange-traded product that will enhance competition among both market participants and listing venues, to the benefit of investors and the marketplace.

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

The Exchange neither solicited nor received comments on the proposed rule change.

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

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period up to 90 days (i) as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the Exchange consents, the Commission will:

A. by order approve or disapprove 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 (<https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include file number SR-CboeBZX-2025-069 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-CboeBZX-2025-069. 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 (<https://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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR-CboeBZX-2025-069 and should be submitted on or before June 20, 2025.

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

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*Assistant Secretary.*

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### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

[OMB Control No. 3235-0633]

#### **Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Extension: Rule 0-4**

*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 (the "Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for approval of the collection of information discussed below.

Rule 0-4 (17 CFR 275.0-4) under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Act" or "Advisers Act") (15 U.S.C. 80b-1 *et seq.*) entitled "General Requirements of Papers and Applications," prescribes general instructions for filing an application seeking exemptive relief with the Commission.

The requirements of rule 0-4 are designed to provide Commission staff with the necessary information to assess whether granting the Orders of exemption are necessary and appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the intended purposes of the Act.

Applicants for Orders under the Advisers Act can include registered investment advisers, affiliated persons of registered investment advisers, and entities seeking to avoid investment adviser status, among others. Commission staff estimates that it receives up to 7 applications per year submitted under rule 0-4 of the Act seeking relief from various provisions of the Advisers Act. Although each application typically is submitted on behalf of multiple applicants, the applicants in the vast majority of cases are related entities and are treated as a single respondent for purposes of this analysis. Most of the work of preparing an application is performed by outside counsel and, therefore, imposes no hourly burden on respondents. The cost outside counsel charges applicants depends on the complexity of the issues covered by the application and the time required. Based on conversations with applicants and attorneys, the cost for applications ranges from approximately \$15,259.94 for preparing a well-precedented, routine (or otherwise less involved) application to approximately \$238,761.88 to prepare a complex or

<sup>29</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

novel application. We estimate that the Commission receives 1 of the most time-consuming applications annually, 3 applications of medium difficulty, and 3 of the least difficult applications subject to rule 0–4. This distribution gives a total estimated annual cost burden to applicants of filing all applications of \$440,387.38 [(1 × \$238,761.88) + (3 × \$51,948.56) + (3 × \$15,259.94)]. The estimate of annual cost burden is made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act and is not derived from a comprehensive or even representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

The requirements of this collection of information are required to obtain or retain benefits. Responses will not be kept confidential.

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 OMB Control Number.

Written comments are invited on: (a) whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the SEC, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the SEC's estimate of the burden imposed by the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and the assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated, electronic collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: [https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=202501-3235-021](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202501-3235-021) or email comment to [MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC\\_desk\\_officer@omb.eop.gov](mailto:MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov) within 30 days of the day after publication of this notice, by June 30, 2025.

Dated: May 22, 2025.

**Sherr R. Haywood,**

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–103104; File No. SR–CBOE–2025–022]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Cboe Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 1 and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1, To Permit the Exchange To List and Trade Options With P.M.-Settlement That Overlie the S&P 500 Equal Weight Index

May 22, 2025.

#### I. Introduction

On March 20, 2020, Cboe Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “Cboe Options”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), 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> a proposed rule change to list and trade p.m.-settled S&P 500 Equal Weight Index options that have standard third Friday-of-the-month, nonstandard, and quarterly expirations. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on April 8, 2025. <sup>3</sup> On April 29, 2025, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change, which amended and superseded the proposed rule change as originally filed. <sup>4</sup> The Commission received no comments on the proposed rule change. The Commission is publishing this Notice and Order to solicit comment on Amendment No. 1 in Sections II and III below, which sections are being published verbatim as filed by the Exchange, and to approve the proposed rule change, as modified and superseded by Amendment No. 1, on an accelerated basis.

#### II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

Cboe Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “Cboe Options”) proposes to amend certain rules to permit the Exchange to list and trade options with p.m.-settlement that overlie the S&P 500 Equal Weight Index (based on both the full value and one-tenth the value of the index) (“SPEQF options” and “SPEQX options,” respectively). The text of the proposed rule change is provided in Exhibit 5.

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

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 102752 (April 2, 2025), 90 FR 15189.

<sup>4</sup> See Amendment No. 1, available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-cboe-2025-022/srcboe2025022.htm>.

The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange's website (<http://www.cboe.com/AboutCBOE/CBOELegalRegulatoryHome.aspx>), at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange 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 Exchange 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

The purpose of this proposed rule change is to amend certain rules to permit the Exchange to list and trade SPEQF and SPEQX options that are p.m.-settled. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to (1) amend Rule 4.13, Interpretation and Policy .13 to permit the listing of P.M.-settled <sup>5</sup> SPEQF and SPEQX options that expire on the standard third Friday-of-the-month (“Expiration Friday”); <sup>6</sup> (2) amend Rule 4.13(c) to permit the Exchange to open for trading Quarterly Index Expirations (“QIXs”) on SPEQF and SPEQX options; <sup>7</sup> and (3) permit the Exchange

<sup>5</sup> An option with P.M.-settlement has its exercise settlement value derived from the closing prices on the expiration date.

<sup>6</sup> Rule 4.13, Interpretation and Policy .13 currently permits the Exchange to list P.M.-settled SPX and XSP options, as well as options on the Russell 2000 Index (“RUT options”) and the Mini-Russell 2000 Index (“MRUT” options), that expire on Expiration Fridays. Amendment No. 1 also amends Rule 4.13, Interpretation and Policy .13 to clarify that provision relates specific to p.m.-settled index options that expire on the third Friday-of-the-month. This rule provision previously included such language, which was inadvertently deleted by SR–CBOE–2024–034. This rule provision has always related specifically to classes for which the Exchange may list p.m.-settled series that expire on the third Friday-of-the-month; therefore, this proposed rule change has no impact on the application of the rule and merely provides clarity and transparency.

<sup>7</sup> QIXs are index option contracts that expire on the last business day of a calendar quarter. Rule 4.13(c) currently permits the Exchange to list QIXs for SPX and XSP options, as well as RUT options,

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