

how ISOs may be submitted.²² As such, the Exchange believes that its proposal will promote transparency in the Exchange's rules and consistency across the rules of the Nasdaq affiliated options exchanges. While the proposed changes to the Exchange's ISO rule generally track BX's ISO rule, the proposed language will refer to certain Exchange functionality that BX does not have today (*i.e.*, Facilitation ISOs or Solicitation ISOs).

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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. Offering Facilitation and Solicitation ISOs does not impose an undue burden on competition because it enables the Exchange to provide market participants with an additional and efficient method to initiate a Facilitation or Solicited Order auction while preventing trade-throughs, as discussed above. In addition, all Members may submit a Facilitation ISO or Solicitation ISO. As it relates to the Solicitation ISO, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will promote fair competition among options exchanges as it will allow the Exchange to compete with other markets that already allow ISOs in their solicitation auction mechanisms.²³

The Exchange further believes that the proposed changes to its ISO rule do not impose an undue burden on competition. As discussed above, the proposed changes are intended to add more granularity and more closely align the level of detail in the ISO rule with BX's ISO rule in BX Options 3, Section 7(a)(6) by specifying how ISOs may be submitted, except the Exchange's ISO rule will refer to Exchange functionality that BX does not have today (*i.e.*, Facilitation and Solicitation ISOs).²⁴ With the proposed changes, the Exchange believes that its proposal will promote transparency in the Exchange's rules and consistency across the rules of the Nasdaq affiliated options exchanges.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act²⁵ and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.²⁶

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the 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 to determine whether the proposed rule 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-GEMX-2023-01 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-GEMX-2023-01. 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/>

²⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

²⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

[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 such 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-GEMX-2023-01 and should be submitted on or before February 28, 2023.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.²⁷

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #17769 and #17770; Alabama Disaster Number AL-00130]

Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Alabama

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of ALABAMA (FEMA-4684-DR), dated 01/31/2023.

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Tornadoes.

Incident Period: 01/12/2023.

DATES: Issued on 01/31/2023.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 04/03/2023.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 10/31/2023.

²⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

²² See *supra* note 15.

²³ See *supra* note 14.

²⁴ See *supra* note 15.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205-6734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 01/31/2023, Private Non-Profit organizations that provide essential services of a governmental nature may file disaster loan applications at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Autauga, Barbour, Chambers, Conecuh, Coosa, Dallas, Elmore, Hale, Tallapoosa.

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
<i>For Physical Damage:</i>	
<i>Non-Profit Organizations with Credit Available Elsewhere</i>	2.375
<i>Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere</i>	2.375
<i>For Economic Injury:</i>	
<i>Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere</i>	2.375

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 17769 C and for economic injury is 17770 O.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

Rafaela Monchek,

Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Recovery and Resilience.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 11987]

Notice of Shipping Coordinating Committee Meeting in Preparation for International Maritime Organization LEG 110 Meeting

The Department of State will conduct a public meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, both in-person at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, and via teleconference. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 110th session of the International Maritime Organization's

(IMO) Legal Committee (LEG 110) to be held in London, United Kingdom from March 27 to March 31, 2023.

Members of the public may participate up to the capacity of the teleconference phone line, which can handle 500 participants or up to the seating capacity of the room if attending in-person. The meeting location will be the United States Coast Guard Headquarters, Room 6K15-15, and the teleconference line will be provided to those who RSVP. To RSVP, participants should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil.

Mr. Hubchen will provide access information for in-person and virtual attendance. The agenda items to be considered at this meeting mirror those to be considered at LEG 110, and include:

- Adoption of the agenda
- Report of the Secretary-General on credentials
- Facilitation of the entry into force and harmonized interpretation of the 2010 HNS Protocol
- Fair treatment of seafarers:
 - a. Provision of financial security in case of abandonment of seafarers, and shipowners' responsibilities in respect of contractual claims for personal injury to, or death of, seafarers, in light of the progress of amendments to the ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006
 - b. Fair treatment of seafarers in the event of a maritime accident
 - c. Fair treatment of seafarers detained on suspicion of committing maritime crimes
 - d. Guidelines for port State and flag State authorities on how to deal with seafarer abandonment cases
- Advice and guidance in connection with the implementation of IMO instruments
- (a) Impact on shipping and seafarers of the situation in the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov
- Measures to prevent unlawful practices associated with the fraudulent registration and fraudulent registries of ships
- Measures to assess the need to amend liability limits
- Claims Manual for the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships
- Guidance for the proper implementation and application of IMO liability and compensation conventions
- Work of other IMO bodies
- Technical cooperation activities related to maritime legislation

- Review of the status of conventions and other treaty instruments emanating from the Legal Committee
- Work programme
- Election of officers
- Any other business
- Consideration of the report of the Committee on its 110th session

Please note: The IMO may, on short notice, adjust the LEG 110 agenda to accommodate the constraints associated with the meeting format. Any changes to the agenda will be reported to those who RSVP.

Those who plan to participate should contact the meeting coordinator, Mr. Stephen Hubchen, by email at Stephen.K.Hubchen@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1198, or in writing at United States Coast Guard (CG-LMI-P), ATTN: Mr. Stephen Hubchen, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE Stop 7509, Washington DC 20593-7509 not later than March 14, 2023. Please note, that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building at St. Elizabeth's. This building is accessible by taxi, public transportation, and privately owned conveyance (upon request).

Additionally, members of the public needing reasonable accommodation should advise the meeting coordinator not later than March 14, 2023. Requests made after that date will be considered but might not be able to fulfill.

Additional information regarding this and other IMO public meetings may be found at: <https://www.dco.uscg.mil/IMO>.

(Authority: 22 U.S.C. 2656 and 5 U.S.C. 552)

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

30-Day Notice of Intent To Seek Extension of Approval of Collection: Statutory Authority To Preserve Rail Service

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Surface Transportation Board (Board) gives