

The proposed changes to OPIC-248 clarify existing questions, incorporate sector-specific development impact questions, and eliminate ineffective questions in an effort to harmonize development impact indicators with other Development Finance Institutions (“DFIs”). OPIC is a signatory to a “Memorandum of Understanding” with 25 partnering DFIs to harmonize developmental impact metrics where possible. The goal of this effort is to reduce the burden on clients that seek financing from multiple DFIs and to instill best practices in the collection and the reporting on OPIC’s developmental impacts. In order to minimize the reporting burden on respondents, OPIC has designed OPIC-248 as an electronic form that has multiple drop-down options, in which the respondent only responds to questions that are applicable to their investment.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) calendar days of publication of this Notice.

ADDRESSES: Mail all comments and requests for copies of the subject form to OPIC’s Agency Submitting Officer: James Bobbitt, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 1100 New York Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20527. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for other information about filing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OPIC Agency Submitting Officer: James Bobbitt, (202) 336-8558.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OPIC received no comments in response to the sixty (60) day notice published in **Federal Register** volume 80 page 38241 on July 2, 2015. All mailed comments and requests for copies of the subject form should include form number OPIC-248 on both the envelope and in the subject line of the letter. Electronic comments and requests for copies of the subject form may be sent to James.Bobbitt@opic.gov, subject line OPIC248.

Summary Form Under Review

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Title: Office of Investment Policy Questionnaire.

Form Number: OPIC-248.

Frequency of Use: One per investor per project.

Type of Respondents: Business or other institution (except farms); individuals.

Standard Industrial Classification Codes: All.

Description of Affected Public: U.S. companies or citizens investing overseas.

Reporting Hours: 644 (2.8 hours per form).

Number of Responses: 230 per year.

Federal Cost: \$28,389.

Authority for Information Collection: Sections 231, 231A, 239(d), 239(h), 240A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Abstract (Needs and Uses): The Office of Investment Policy Questionnaire is the principal document used by OPIC to prepare a developmental impact profile and determine the projected impact on the United States, as well as to determine the project’s compliance with environmental and labor policies, as consistent with OPIC’s authorizing legislation.

Dated: September 25, 2015.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-75978; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2015-79]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Regarding the PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Active Exchange-Traded Fund

September 24, 2015.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)² and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,³ notice is hereby given that, on September 11, 2015, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the “Exchange” or “NYSE Arca”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to 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 reflect a change to the average portfolio duration of the PIMCO Intermediate Municipal

Bond Active Exchange-Traded Fund. The Fund is currently listed and traded on the Exchange under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s Web site 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 Commission has approved a proposed rule change relating to listing and trading on the Exchange of shares (“Shares”) of the PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Active Exchange-Traded Fund (“Fund”) under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600,⁴ which governs the listing and trading of Managed Fund Shares.⁵ The Shares are offered by PIMCO ETF Trust (the “Trust”), a statutory trust organized under the laws of the State of Delaware

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 60619 (September 3, 2009), 74 FR 46820 (September 11, 2009) (SR-NYSEArca-2009-79) (notice of filing of proposed rule change relating to listing and trading of Shares of the Fund and four other funds of the PIMCO ETF Trust on the Exchange) (“Prior Notice”); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 60981 (November 10, 2009), 74 FR 59594 (November 11, 2009) (SR-NYSEArca-2009-79) (order approving listing and trading of Shares of the Fund and four other funds of the PIMCO ETF Trust on the Exchange) (“Prior Order” and, together with the Prior Notice, the “Prior Release”).

⁵ A Managed Fund Share is a security that represents an interest in an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1) (“1940 Act”) organized as an open-end investment company or similar entity that invests in a portfolio of securities selected by its investment adviser consistent with its investment objectives and policies. In contrast, an open-end investment company that issues Investment Company Units, listed and traded on the Exchange under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 5.2(j)(3), seeks to provide investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance of a specific foreign or domestic stock index, fixed income securities index or combination thereof.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

and registered with the Commission as an open-end management investment company.⁶ The investment manager to the Fund is Pacific Investment Management Company LLC (“PIMCO” or the “Adviser”). The Fund’s Shares are currently listed and traded on the Exchange under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600.

According to the Registration Statement and the Prior Release, the average portfolio duration of the Fund normally varies from three to eight years, based on PIMCO’s forecast for interest rates.⁷

Going forward, the average portfolio duration of the Fund normally would vary within (negative) 2 years to positive 4 years of the portfolio duration of the securities comprising the Barclays 1–15 Year Municipal Bond Index (“Index”), as calculated by PIMCO, which as of June 30, 2015 was 5.11 years.⁸ Thus, as of June 30, 2015, average portfolio duration of the Fund normally would vary within approximately 3.11 years and 9.11 years.

The Adviser represents that the proposed change to the average portfolio duration of the Fund is consistent with the Fund’s investment objective, and will further assist the Adviser to achieve such investment objective. Except for the change noted above, all other representations made in the Prior Release remain unchanged.⁹ The Fund will continue to comply with all initial

⁶ The Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (“1940 Act”). On October 27, 2014, the Trust filed with the Commission the most recent post-effective amendment to its registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a) (“1933 Act”) and under the 1940 Act relating to the Fund (File Nos. 333–155395 and 811–22250) (the “Registration Statement”). The description of the operation of the Trust and the Fund herein is based, in part, on the Registration Statement. A change to the name of the Fund from PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Strategy Fund to PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Exchange-Traded Fund was reflected in an amendment to the Registration Statement, effective October 31, 2012. A change to the name of the Fund from PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Exchange-Traded Fund to PIMCO Intermediate Municipal Bond Active Exchange-Traded Fund was reflected in an amendment to the Registration Statement, effective October 31, 2014. In addition, the Commission has issued an order granting certain exemptive relief to the Trust under the 1940 Act. See Investment Company Act Release No. 28993 (November 10, 2009) (File No. 812–13571) (“Exemptive Order”).

⁷ Duration is a measure used to determine the sensitivity of a security’s price to changes in interest rates. The longer a security’s duration, the more sensitive it will be to changes in interest rates.

⁸ The Exchange notes that the Commission has approved the listing and trading of other issues of Managed Fund Shares that have applied a comparable average portfolio duration to that proposed for the Fund. See, e.g., the Prior Release, note 4, *supra*.

⁹ See note 4, *supra*. All terms referenced but not defined herein are defined in the Prior Release.

and continued listing requirements under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600.

The Adviser represents that the investment objective of the Fund is not changing.

2. Statutory Basis

The basis under the Act for this proposed rule change is the requirement under Section 6(b)(5)¹⁰ that an exchange have rules that are designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The proposed rule change is designed to perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange believes that the change to the average portfolio duration of the Fund will not adversely impact investors or Exchange trading. Such change would accommodate a duration that, while generally comparable to the existing average portfolio duration normally of three to eight years, will provide the Fund with additional flexibility in managing the duration of the Fund’s holdings using the average portfolio duration of the Barclays 1–15 Year Municipal Bond Index, as calculated by PIMCO, as the benchmark against which the Fund’s average portfolio duration would be measured. Further, a more flexible duration bandwidth will allow the Fund to respond more effectively to changing market conditions. The Index’s average duration, as calculated by PIMCO, is typically published monthly, while the Fund’s average portfolio duration is typically available daily, on the Fund’s Web site.

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 believes the proposed rule change will enhance competition among issues of exchange-traded funds that invest in municipal securities.

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.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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

Because the 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, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹¹ and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder.¹²

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) of the Act¹³ 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–2015–79 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NYSEArca–2015–79. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6). As required under Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii), the Exchange provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and the text of 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.

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<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 Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the NYSE's principal office and on its Internet Web site at www.nyse.com. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2015-79 and should be submitted on or before October 21, 2015.

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

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Joint Industry Plan; Order Approving Amendment No. 2 to the National Market System Plan Governing the Process of Selecting a Plan Processor and Developing a Plan for the Consolidated Audit Trail by BATS Exchange, Inc., BATS-Y Exchange, Inc., BOX Options Exchange LLC, C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., EDGA Exchange, Inc., EDGX Exchange, Inc., Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., International Securities Exchange, LLC, ISE Gemini, LLC, Miami International Securities Exchange LLC, NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC, National Stock Exchange, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE MKT LLC, and NYSE Arca, Inc.

September 24, 2015.

I. Introduction

On March 6, 2015, BATS Exchange, Inc., BATS-Y Exchange, Inc., BOX Options Exchange LLC, C2 Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., EDGA Exchange, Inc., EDGX Exchange, Inc., Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., International Securities Exchange, LLC, ISE Gemini, LLC, Miami International Securities Exchange LLC, NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC, National Stock Exchange, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE MKT LLC, and NYSE Arca, Inc. (collectively, "SROs" or "Participants") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission" or "SEC") pursuant to Section 11A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 608 thereunder,² an amendment ("Amendment No. 2") to the National Market System ("NMS") Plan Governing the Process of Selecting a Plan Processor and Developing a Plan for the Consolidated Audit Trail ("Selection Plan").³ Amendment No. 2 was published for comment in the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78k-1.

² 17 CFR 242.608.

³ The Selection Plan is an NMS Plan approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 11A of the Act and Rule 608 thereunder. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71596 (Feb. 21, 2014), 79 FR 11152 (Feb. 27, 2014) ("Order Approving Selection Plan"); see also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 70892 (Nov. 15, 2013), 78 FR 69910 (Nov. 21, 2013) ("Notice of Selection Plan").

Federal Register on June 23, 2015.⁴ The Commission received no comment letters on this proposal. This Order approves Amendment No. 2 to the Selection Plan.

II. Background and Description of the Proposal

A. Background

The Commission adopted Rule 613 on July 11, 2012, to require the SROs to jointly submit an NMS plan to create, implement, and maintain a consolidated audit trail ("CAT NMS Plan").⁵ In response, the SROs engaged in a request for proposal ("RFP") process to help them develop an NMS Plan proposal and solicit bids ("Bids") for the role of Plan Processor⁶ to build, operate, administer, and maintain the consolidated audit trail. The Selection Plan, which was approved by the Commission on February 21, 2014, sets forth the process by which the Participants will review, evaluate, and narrow down the Bids submitted in response to the RFP to "Shortlisted Bids," and ultimately select the Plan Processor following Commission approval of the proposed CAT NMS Plan.⁷ Amendment No. 1 to the Selection Plan, which the Commission approved on June 17, 2015, among other things, permits the SROs to vote to narrow the set of Shortlisted Bids to an even shorter list prior to Commission approval of the proposed CAT NMS Plan.⁸ The Selection Plan, as amended, provides that the SROs' Selection Committee will vote to select the Plan Processor from among the remaining bidders, using a two-round voting process, within two months of Commission approval of the proposed CAT NMS Plan.⁹

B. Description of the Proposal

Amendment No. 1 included a provision providing that no SRO shall vote in the process narrowing the set of Shortlisted Bidders if a Bid submitted by the SRO or an Affiliate of the SRO is a Shortlisted Bid or if the SRO or its Affiliate is included as a material subcontractor as part of a Bid (a

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 75193 (June 17, 2015), 80 FR 36006 (June 23, 2015) ("Notice of Amendment No. 2").

⁵ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67457 (July 18, 2012), 77 FR 45722 (Aug. 1, 2012).

⁶ Unless otherwise noted, capitalized terms are used as defined in Rule 613, in the Selection Plan, or in this Order.

⁷ See Order Approving Selection Plan, *supra* note 3.

⁸ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 75192, 80 FR 36028 (June 23, 2015) ("Order Approving Amendment No. 1").

⁹ See Order Approving Selection Plan, *supra* note 3; Order Approving Amendment No. 1, *supra* note 8.