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## 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

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 after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act <sup>17</sup> and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) <sup>18</sup> thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b–4(f)(6)<sup>19</sup> normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii),<sup>20</sup> the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay so that the Exchange may implement the proposed rule change on August 1, 2022-the same time other exchanges are implementing the same change.<sup>21</sup> The Exchange states that implementing the proposal simultaneously with other option exchanges will promote the protection of investors by harmonizing the strike listing methodology across exchanges. In addition, the Exchange's proposal to extend current \$0.50 strike price intervals in equity options to short term options with strike prices less than \$100 will conform this portion of the Short Term Option Series Program to that of other options exchanges.<sup>22</sup> The Commission believes that waiver of the

<sup>19</sup>17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6).

<sup>21</sup> The Commission recently approved a substantially similar proposal. *See* Securities Exchange Act Release No. 95085 (June 10, 2022), 87 FR 36353 (June 16, 2022) (SR–ISE–2022–10) (Order Approving a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1, to Amend ISE Options 4, Section 5, Series of Options Contracts Open for Trading).

<sup>22</sup> See, e.g., Choe Exchange, Inc. Rule 4.5(d)(5).

30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the proposed rule change does not raise any new or novel issues. Accordingly, the Commission hereby waives the operative delay.<sup>23</sup>

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– CboeEDGX–2022–034 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-CboeEDGX-2022-034. 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-CboeEDGX-2022-034, and should be submitted on or before August 26, 2022.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{\rm 24}$ 

#### J. Matthew DeLesDernier,

Deputy Secretary.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #17440 and #17441; New Mexico Disaster Number NM–00080]

## Presidential Declaration Amendment of a Major Disaster for the State of New Mexico

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Amendment 3.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of New Mexico (FEMA–4652–DR), dated 05/04/2022.

*Incident:* Wildfires, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Mudflows, and Debris Flows directly related to the Wildfires.

*Incident Period:* 04/05/2022 through 07/23/2022.

DATES: Issued on 08/02/2022. Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 09/06/2022.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* 02/06/2023. **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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b– 4(f)(6)(iii) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and 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. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

<sup>20 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission also has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>24 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12), (59).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for the State of New Mexico, dated 05/04/2022, is hereby amended to extend the deadline for filing applications for physical damages as a result of this disaster to 09/06/2022.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

#### Joshua Barnes,

Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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#### OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2022-0008]

# U.S.-Kenya Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: On July 14, 2022, the United States and Kenya launched the United States-Kenya Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership (STIP). Under this initiative the two governments will pursue enhanced engagement leading to high standard commitments in a wide range of areas with a view to increasing investment; promoting sustainable and inclusive economic growth; benefiting workers, consumers, and businesses (including micro-, small-, and mediumsized enterprises (MSMEs)); and supporting African regional economic integration. As the two governments develop a roadmap for the initial issues under that engagement, the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is seeking public comments on matters relevant to specified trade areas, including U.S. interests and priorities, in order to develop objectives and positions for enhanced engagement and subsequent negotiation.

**DATES:** The deadline for the submission of written comments is September 16, 2022.

ADDRESSES: You should submit written comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: https:// www.regulations.gov (Regulations.gov). Follow the instructions for submissions in parts II and III below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For procedural questions concerning written comments, please contact Spencer Smith at Spencer.L.Smith2@ustr.eop.gov or (202) 395–2974 in advance of the deadline and before transmitting a comment. Direct all other questions to Bennett Harman, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Africa, at *BHarman@ustr.eop.gov*, or (202) 395–9612.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Background

During a virtual meeting on July 14, 2022, the U.S. Trade Representative and Kenya's Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development Cabinet Secretary, launched the STIP. They identified the following initial issues where the United States and Kenya will develop an ambitious roadmap for enhanced cooperation with the goal of negotiating high-standard commitments in order to achieve economically meaningful outcomes.

*Agriculture.* The United States and Kenya will consider measures to facilitate agricultural trade and enhance transparency and understanding of the application of science- and risk-based sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) measures. Both governments share an interest in fostering sustainable agricultural practices, as well as creating an enabling environment for innovative agricultural technologies that would help achieve food security goals, increase farm productivity, and improve farmer livelihoods, while addressing climate change concerns.

Anti-corruption. The United States and Kenya share a commitment to prevent and combat bribery and other forms of corruption. They will share information on best practices to prevent and combat bribery and corruption and will explore negotiating specific commitments.

Digital Trade. The United States and Kenya share an interest in fostering consumer, business, and worker trust in the digital economy, ensuring access to information, promoting the development and use of resilient and secure digital infrastructure, promoting competition and the participation of MSMEs, and addressing discriminatory practices. They will discuss measures to support digital inclusion, including accessibility, and online consumer protection. Both countries also will monitor global discussions on emerging issues in digital trade that are of mutual interest.

*Environment and Climate Change Action.* The United States and Kenya share common values with respect to environmental protection, a commitment to conservation, pursuing measures to support climate change adaptation and mitigation, and the importance of sustainable use and management of each country's natural resources as they strengthen their trade and investment relations. They will engage on strengthening these efforts, including climate adaptation and mitigation practices. Both countries also will consider opportunities to strengthen their respective commitments in this area, including through cooperation.

*Good Regulatory Practices.* The United States and Kenya will explore negotiating high-level commitments on topics such as ensuring adequate time for public consultations on proposed regulations, posting proposed regulations for review by interested stakeholders, and basing regulatory decisions on best available information, science, and evidence, including undertaking risk analysis and regulatory impact assessment as appropriate. They also will explore negotiating provisions on services domestic regulation.

*Micro-, Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprises.* The United States and Kenya believe that the success of MSMEs, including women-owned enterprises, is a key element in promoting sustained economic growth. They will discuss approaches to integrate MSMEs into international trade, and will initiate periodic technical best practices exchanges and roundtables on MSMEs.

Promoting Workers' Rights and Protections. The United States and Kenya want to work together to advance and protect labor rights through enforcement of, and compliance with, labor laws, promotion of social dialogue, and cooperation in other areas of mutual interest on labor and employment priorities, including forced labor in global supply chains.

Supporting Participation of Women, Youth, and Others in Trade. The United States and Kenya are committed to promoting economic opportunities for women and youth and continue to examine how to develop and adopt trade policies that promote and facilitate the participation of women and youth in international trade and to promote good paying, high-quality jobs and sustainable livelihoods. Both countries will work to identify resources to support the economic empowerment and participation of women, youth, persons with disabilities, other vulnerable populations, and the African Diaspora in trade to promote equitable and inclusive development.

Standards Collaboration. The United States and Kenya will discuss the role of standards, conformity assessment procedures, and technical regulations that have a significant impact on trade,