Form 19b-4

Proposed Rule Change by

STOCK CLEARING CORPORATION OF PHILADELPHIA.

Pursuant to Rule 19b-4 under

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
1. **Text of the Proposed Rule Change**

Stock Clearing Corporation of Philadelphia ("SCCP") pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")\(^1\) and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,\(^2\) proposes to amend its schedule of dues, fees and charges to eliminate the $.20 credit for Philadelphia Stock Exchange ("Phlx" or "Exchange") equity specialists’ trades against Phlx Automated Communication and Execution System ("PACE") executions,\(^3\) for trades settling on or after January 2, 2004.\(^4\)

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and a copy of SCCP’s schedule of dues, fees and charges is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

2. **Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization**

The SCCP Board of Directors approved the proposal for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") on December 10, 2003.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to Angela Saccomandi Dunn, Counsel, Phlx, at (215) 496-5692, or Edith Hallahan, First Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, Phlx, at (215) 496-5179.

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\(^3\) PACE is the Exchange’s automated order entry, routing and executing system. See Phlx Rules 229 and 229A.

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

   a. **Purpose**

   The PACE specialist credit currently applies to Phlx specialists for their trades against PACE executions. The purpose of the proposed rule change is to eliminate the PACE specialist credit, which should generate additional revenue for SCCP, and simplify SCCP’s billing structure. SCCP intends to eliminate the PACE specialist credit for trades settling on or after January 2, 2004.

   b. **Statutory Basis**

   The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(D) of the Act,\(^5\) which requires that the rules of a registered clearing agency provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its participants.

4. **Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition**

   SCCP does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

5. **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.

6. **Extension of Time Period for Commission Action**

   SCCP does not consent to an extension of the time period for Commission action.

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7. **Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)**

The foregoing proposed rule change has been designated as a fee change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act\(^6\) and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)\(^7\) thereunder. Accordingly, the proposal will take effect upon filing with the Commission. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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.

8. **Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission**

The proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

9. **Exhibits**

1. Notice of proposed rule for publication in the *Federal Register*.
2. SCCP Fee Schedule.

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\(^7\) 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2)
SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Stock Clearing Corporation of Philadelphia has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized officer.

STOCK CLEARING CORPORATION OF PHILADELPHIA

By: ________________________________
   Lanny A. Schwartz
   Assistant Secretary

Date: ______________________________
Exhibit 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
(Release No.                  ; File No. SR-SCCP-2003-07


Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹, and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on ______________________ 2003, Stock Clearing Corporation of Philadelphia ("SCCP") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III, below, which Items have been prepared by SCCP. 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

Stock Clearing Corporation of Philadelphia ("SCCP") pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")³ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,⁴ proposes to amend its schedule of dues, fees and charges to eliminate the $.20 credit for Philadelphia Stock Exchange ("Phlx" or "Exchange") equity specialists’ trades against Phlx

Automated Communication and Execution System (“PACE”) executions,\(^5\) for trades settling on or after January 2, 2004.\(^6\)

A copy of SCCP’s schedule of dues, fees and charges is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, SCCP 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. SCCP 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 PACE specialist credit currently applies to Phlx specialists for their trades against PACE executions. The purpose of the proposed rule change is to eliminate the PACE specialist credit, which should generate additional revenue for SCCP, and simplify SCCP’s billing structure. SCCP intends to eliminate the PACE specialist credit for trades settling on or after January 2, 2004.

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2. **Statutory Basis**

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 17A(b)(3)(D) of the Act, which requires that the rules of a registered clearing agency provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its participants.

B. **Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition**

SCCP does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

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 for Commission Action**

The foregoing proposed rule change has been designated as a fee change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder. Accordingly, the proposal will take effect upon filing with the Commission. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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.

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. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and

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Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC  20549-0609. 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of SCCP. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-SCCP-2003-07 and should be submitted by [insert 21 days from date of publication].

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.\textsuperscript{10}

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Margaret H. McFarland  
Deputy Secretary
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\textsuperscript{10} 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).
Exhibit 2

**STOCK CLEARING CORPORATION OF PHILADELPHIA FEE SCHEDULE**

1. **ACCOUNT FEES**
   - Maintenance Fee
     - $150.00 per month (20 or fewer trades per month)
     - $250.00 per month (over 20 trades per month)
     - $650.00 per month (specialist)
   - Additional Suffix
     - $32.00 per month per suffix

2. **TRADE RECORDING FEES (except ECNs+, remote specialists, and QQQ fees)**
   - Regular Trades
     - $0.47 per side
   - PACE Trades
     - No Charge
   - Specialist Trades Matching With PACE Trades*
     - $0.27 per side for the first 2,500 trades per month
     - $0.10 per side for trades in excess of 2,500 per month
   - eVWAP\textsuperscript{tm} Trades
     - $0.30 per side
   - Yellow Tickets
     - $0.47 per side

3. **VALUE FEES (except ECNs+ and remote specialists)**
   - Rio Accounts
     - $0.05 per $1,000 of contract value
   - Margin Accounts*
     - $0.035 per $1,000 of contract value
   - PACE Trades\textsuperscript{1}
     - None
   - Maximum Value Charge*
     - $25.00 per trade per side

+ECNs shall mean any electronic system that widely disseminates to third parties orders entered therein by an Exchange market maker or over-the-counter (“OTC”) market maker, and permits such orders to be executed against in whole or in part; except that the term ECN shall not include: any system that crosses multiple orders at one or more specified times at a specified price set by the ECN, algorithm, or by any derivative pricing mechanism and does not allow orders to be crossed or executed against directly by participants outside of such times; or, any system operated by or on behalf of an OTC market-maker or exchange market-maker that executes customer orders primarily against the account of such market maker as principal, other than riskless principal.

\textsuperscript{1} In connection with PACE trades, trade recording fees and value fees apply where an order, after being delivered to the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. by the PACE system is executed by way of an outbound ITS commitment, when such outbound ITS commitment reflects the PACE order’s clearing information, but do not apply where a PACE trade was executed against an inbound ITS commitment.
4. **SPECIALIST (OTHER THAN REMOTE SPECIALISTS) DISCOUNTS FOR TRADES CLEARED THROUGH A SCCP MARGIN ACCOUNT**<sup>12</sup>

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<th>Volume Level Discount (including PACE trades)</th>
<th>Discount Per side</th>
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<td>2,501 to 10,000 sides per month</td>
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<td>40,001 and over</td>
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5. **TREASURY TRANSACTIONS (except ECNs+)**

- Per trade transaction: $40.00 (plus pass through costs)
- Per transfer: $10.00 (plus pass through costs)

6. **MARGIN ACCOUNT INTEREST**

- Charge on net debit balances: ½% above bank broker call rate

7. **RESEARCH FEES**

- Per photocopy of input forms: $4.00
- Per microfiche copy: $4.00
- Items less than 90 days old: No charge
- Items 1 year old or less: $15.00 per hour
- Items over 1 year old: $15.00 per hour, $25.00 minimum, plus archive retrieval costs

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<sup>12</sup> For SCCP participant firms engaged in a merger, acquisition, consolidation or other similar business combination, such firms may combine their respective volumes when determining the applicable discount for the month. SCCP Participants eligible for the combined discounts are required to request the combined volume level discounts within 30 days after the issuance of the SCCP invoice for the month in which such business combination occurs.
8. COMPUTER TRANSMISSIONS/TAPES

- Purchase and Sale Trade Data (daily) $100.00 per month
- Purchase and Sale Trades plus T+2 Settling Trades (daily) $150.00 per month
- Miscellaneous $150.00 per month; includes 6 tapes/transmissions
  $ 25.00 per additional tape/transmission

9. P&L STATEMENT CHARGES $0.01 per line

10. BUY-INS $5.00 per item

[11. PACE SPECIALIST CREDIT* $0.20 per PHLX Specialist’s Trade against PACE Executions]
## STOCK CLEARING CORPORATION OF PHILADELPHIA FEE SCHEDULE

### 11. NASDAQ 100 TRUST, SERIES 1 (“QQQ”), and Standard & Poor’s Depositary Receipts® (SPDRs) and DIAMONDS® Exchange Traded Funds (“DIAMONDS®”)

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<td><strong>Non-Specialist</strong></td>
<td>$0.30 per trade side (Non-PACE Executions; No Charge for PACE Executions)</td>
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<td><strong>Specialist</strong></td>
<td>$0.50 per trade (for the first 1,000 trades)*</td>
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<td>$0.25 per trade (for all subsequent trades, no further volume discounts)*</td>
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*Denotes fees not applicable to Specialist trades matching with PACE trades on the opening.

### 12. SCCP TRANSACTION CHARGE (REMOTE SPECIALISTS ONLY)

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<td><strong>Non-Specialist</strong></td>
<td>$0.30/round lot trade per side.</td>
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<td><strong>Specialist</strong></td>
<td>$0.10/odd-lot trade per side.</td>
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The combination of these fees is capped at $100,000/month. For purposes of this fee, an odd-lot is defined as a trade under 100 shares, whereas a round-lot is defined as a trade of 100 shares or over.

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Except as provided herein with respect to remote specialists, any fees, credits, discounts and other charges applicable to specialists in SCCP’s fee schedule will apply to all equity specialists, including competing specialists.