

Informational Circular

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TO: BOX Participants

FROM: BOX Market Operations Center

SUBJECT: Reduction in Price Improvement Period ("PIP") Time to 100 Milliseconds

DATE: February 3, 2012

BOX Options Exchange is pleased to announce that the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has approved a reduction to the order handling and exposure period for the Price Improvement Period ("PIP") from one second to 100 milliseconds.¹

The reductions to the PIP order handling and exposure periods will be effective on *Monday*, *February 13, 2012*.

Please note that the reductions to the PIP order handling and exposure period **only** applies to Chapter V, Section 18(e)(i) of the BOX Rules. **All other BOX order handling and exposure periods remain unchanged in the BOX Rules**.

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Please contact the Market Operations Center at (866) 768-8845 or by e-mail at BOXMOC@bostonoptions.com should you require additional information.

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¹ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 66306 (February 2, 2012), (SR-BX-2011-084), available at http://sec.gov/rules/sro/bx/2012/34-66306.pdf