

Informational Circular

IC-2022-05

TO: BOX Options Participants

FROM: BOX Market Operations Center

SUBJECT: Equalized Cabling Infrastructure – Deployment Update

DATE: February 23, 2022

This circular is being issued by BOX Options Market LLC ("BOX") to advise participants of the status of the network redesign and migration to the equalized cabling infrastructure, previously described in Information Circulars IC-2021-52 and IC-2022-02.

To provide participants with additional testing time, the implementation of BOX's network redesign and migration to equalized cabling infrastructure has been adjusted as follows:

Market Data

Starting Monday March 14, 2022, the High Speed Vendor Feed will be available for consumption in the new equalized cabling infrastructure. Production A and B feeds will be available in parallel with the current infrastructure so that participants can validate their new equalized cabling cross connects.

Validation Test

On Saturday April 2, 2022, BOX will hold a validation test so participants can confirm their connectivity over the new infrastructure. The test will take place from 9:00am to 2:00pm EST. Participants are strongly recommended to participate and validate their connectivity.

Decommission Date

The decommission date of the current network infrastructure will take place on April 2, 2022. Starting Monday, April 4, 2022, all connectivity to BOX will occur using the new equalized cabling infrastructure. All Participants must be connected to BOX through the new equalized cabling infrastructure for this date.

Reminder

For Participants that have not yet ordered their equalized cabling cross connects, they must contact the BOX Market Operations Center ("MOC") and complete a Connectivity Request Form.

To provide participants with an opportunity to validate the new connections, BOX has reserved the following dates for testing:

- Saturday, February 26, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST
- Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST

On these dates, BOX's systems will be functional in test mode allowing for participants to enter orders and quotes and receive market data. Please refer to circular IC-2022-04 for details.

Contacts

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