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**Date:** October 02, 2023

**Subject:** Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. - Contract Adjustment/Acceleration of Expirations  
Option Symbol: BBYQ  
Date: 10/02/2023

On September 14, 2023, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey confirmed the Second Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan ("Plan") of Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. (BBYQ). The Plan became effective before the open on October 2, 2023, and all BBYQ shares were canceled. The shares' last day of trading on an OTC market was September 29, 2023.

#### **Contract Adjustment**

Effective October 2, 2023, existing BBYQ options are adjusted to no longer call for the delivery of BBYQ shares upon exercise.

**The option symbol BBYQ will not change.**

In settlement of BBYQ exercise/assignment activity, a BBYQ put exerciser (or call assignee) will receive a cash payment of the full aggregate strike price amount on the exercise settlement date. A BBYQ put assignee (or call exercise) will pay this amount on the exercise settlement date. Settlement will take place through OCC's cash settlement system on the second business day after exercise.

Since BBYQ options are American-style, they are exercisable at the election of the holder. Expiration processing for BBYQ options will take place in the normal fashion, including automatic exercise thresholds.

#### **Acceleration of Expirations**

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cash-only delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series. (See OCC Information Memo 23707) Additionally, the exercise by exception (ex by ex) threshold for expiring series will be \$.01 in all account types.

All series of Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. options whose expiration dates are after 10-20-2023 will have their expiration dates advanced to 10-20-2023. Expiration dates occurring before 10-20-2023 (e.g., Flex options) will remain unchanged.

All Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. options will utilize a \$.01 exercise threshold.

Option Symbol: BBYQ

Existing Expiration: All months

New expiration date: 10-20-2023

Existing American-style Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. options remain exercisable at the option of the holder prior to their expiration. Exercised options will continue to settle in two business days.

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