

GFI Group Inc.
Form SC TO-T/A
February 20, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
(RULE 14d-100)
Tender Offer Statement Pursuant to Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 17)

GFI Group Inc.
(Name of Subject Company)

BGC Partners, L.P.

(Offeror)

BGC Partners, Inc.

(Parent of Offeror)

BGC Holdings, LLC

BGC Holdings, L.P.

BGC GP, LLC

Cantor Fitzgerald, L.P.

CF Group Management, Inc.

Howard W. Lutnick

(Names of Filing Persons)

COMMON STOCK, \$0.01 PAR VALUE

(Title of Class of Securities)

361652 20 9

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

BGC Partners, Inc.

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New York, New York 10022

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction Valuation*

\$779,484,132

Amount of Filing Fee**

\$90,577

- * Estimated for purposes of calculating the filing fee only. This amount assumes the purchase of: (1) 127,487,691 shares of common stock (Shares) of GFI Group Inc. (GFI) issued and outstanding as of December 2, 2014 as set forth in the proxy statement/prospectus filed on December 24, 2014 by CME Group Inc. pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, plus (2) 16,193,862 Shares subject to issuance in respect of Restricted Stock Units outstanding as of September 30, 2014, as set forth in GFI s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 10, 2014 (the Form 10-Q), plus (3) 6,316 Shares subject to issuance pursuant to exercisable options as of September 30, 2014, as set forth in the Form 10-Q, plus (4) 1,171,879 Shares subject to issuance in respect of contingently issuable shares outstanding as of September 30, 2014, as set forth in the Form 10-Q, less (5) 17,075,464 Shares owned by BGC Partners, L.P.
- ** The amount of the filing fee is calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, by multiplying the transaction valuation by 0.0001162.

- x Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: \$90,577

Filing Party: BGC Partners,
Inc.

Form or Registration No.: Schedule TO (File No. 005-80318)

Date Filed: October 22, 2014

- .. Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

- x third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
.. issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.
.. going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
x amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer. ..

If applicable, check the appropriate box(es) below to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon:

- .. Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)
.. Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer)

This Amendment No. 17 to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 22, 2014 (as previously amended and together with any subsequent amendments and supplements thereto, the Schedule TO) by BGC Partners, Inc. (BGC), a Delaware corporation, and BGC Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership and subsidiary of BGC (the Purchaser). The Schedule TO relates to the offer by the Purchaser to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Shares), of GFI Group Inc., a Delaware corporation (GFI), at \$6.10 per Share, net to the seller in cash, without interest and less any required withholding taxes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Amended and Restated Offer to Purchase, dated February 20, 2015 (as subsequently amended and supplemented from time to time, the Offer to Purchase), and in the related Amended and Restated Letter of Transmittal (as subsequently amended and restated from time to time) (which, together with any amendments or supplements thereto, collectively constitute the Offer).

As permitted by General Instruction G to Schedule TO, this Amendment No. 17 also amends the Schedule 13D, dated September 3, 2014 (the Original 13D) as subsequently amended (as amended, the Amended 13D), filed by BGC Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership; BGC Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; BGC Holdings, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership; BGC GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; BGC Partners, Inc., a Delaware corporation (collectively with BGC Partners, L.P., BGC Holdings, LLC, BGC Holdings, L.P. and BGC GP, LLC, the BGC Entities); Cantor Fitzgerald, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (CFLP); CF Group Management, Inc., a New York corporation (CFGM); and Howard W. Lutnick (collectively with the BGC Entities, CFLP and CFGM, the Reporting Persons and each, a Reporting Person).

Except as set forth in this Amendment, the Amended 13D is unmodified.

All capitalized terms used in this Amendment No. 17 and not otherwise defined have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule TO.

1 Names of reporting persons.

BGC Partners, L.P.

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3 SEC use only

4 Source of funds* (see instructions)

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Items 1 through 9; Item 11.

Items 1 through 9 and Item 11 of the Schedule TO are hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

On February 19, 2015, BGC, the Purchaser and GFI entered into the Tender Offer Agreement, dated February 19, 2015 (the Tender Offer Agreement), pursuant to which GFI's Board of Directors unanimously agreed to support the Offer and BGC and the Purchaser agreed to file amended Offer documents and to extend the expiration of the Offer. The Tender Offer Agreement is attached as Exhibit (d)(9) to the Schedule TO.

The Offer was previously scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on February 19, 2015. The Expiration Date of the Offer is extended to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on February 26, 2015. The Depositary has advised us that, as of 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on February 19, 2015, approximately 43.3 million Shares had been validly tendered pursuant to the Offer and not validly withdrawn, which represent, together with the 17.1 million Shares already owned by the Purchaser, approximately 47.5% of the outstanding Shares.

On February 20, 2015, BGC and the Purchaser issued a press release announcing the execution of the Tender Offer Agreement and the extension of the Offer. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit (a)(5)(V) to the Schedule TO and is incorporated herein by reference.

All information contained in the Amended and Restated Offer to Purchase filed as Exhibit (a)(1)(G) to this Amendment, which hereby amends and replaces in