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Security-Based Swap Submission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
Section 3C(b)(2) *

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Description

Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked *).

A proposal to amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members

Contact Information

Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.

First Name * Last Name *

Title *

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Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange of 1934, NASDAQ BX, Inc. has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date

(Title *)

By

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The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO]-xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)

Exhibit 1A - Notice of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advanced Notice by Clearing Agencies *

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Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is referred to by the proposed rule change.

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The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.

Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text

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The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change

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If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Nasdaq BX, Inc. (“BX” or “Exchange”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) a proposal to amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members, as described further below.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached as Exhibit 1. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The proposed rule change was approved by senior management of the Exchange pursuant to authority delegated by the Board of Directors (“Board”). Exchange staff will advise the Board of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

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¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

a. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to add a new Section 4(b) (Clearing Member Designation) to allow a Participant that does not self-clear to allocate responsibility for establishing and adjusting its risk levels to a clearing member that clears transactions on behalf of the Participant.³ A clearing member guarantees transactions executed on the Exchange for Participants with whom it has entered into a clearing arrangement, and therefore bears the risk associated with those transactions. Because a clearing member bears the risk on behalf of its associated Participant, the Exchange believes that it is appropriate for the clearing member to have knowledge of what risk settings the Participant may utilize within the Exchange’s trading system, as well as the option to set and adjust the risk levels. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to make a Participant’s risk settings in BX Equity 6, Section 5 available to a clearing member, as well as the option to set and adjust the risk levels, if authorized by a Participant.

For clarification, the Exchange does not guarantee that these risk controls will be sufficiently comprehensive to meet all of a Participant’s needs, nor are the controls designed to be the sole means of risk management, and using these controls will not necessarily meet a Participant’s obligations required by Exchange or federal rules—including, without limitation, Rule 15c3-5 under the Act⁴ (“Rule 15c3-5”). Use of the Exchange’s risk settings in BX Equity 6,

³ The term “Participant” has the meaning set forth in BX Equity 1, Section 1(a)(9).

⁴ 17 CFR § 240.15c3-5.

Section 5 will not automatically constitute compliance with Exchange or federal rules, and the responsibility for compliance with all Exchange and federal rules remains with the Participant.⁵

If a Participant chooses to designate responsibility to a clearing member, the Participant may view any risk levels established by the clearing member pursuant to proposed BX Equity 6, Section 4(b). Even if a clearing member is designated, a Participant will continue to be notified by the Exchange of any action taken regarding its trading activity. A Participant may revoke the responsibility it has allocated to a clearing member at any time.

The Exchange also proposes labeling the current rule text at BX Equity 6, Section 4 as BX Equity 6, Section 4(a) (Sharing Risk Settings). The text of this newly labeled provision remains completely unchanged.

The Exchange will announce the implementation date of the change described in this filing in an Equity Trader Alert at least 30 days prior to implementation. At present, the Exchange expects that the functionality described in this filing will be ready for implementation in the first quarter of 2026, although that time frame is subject to change.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,⁶ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁷ in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect

⁵ See SEC Division of Trading and Markets, Responses to Frequently Asked Questions Concerning Risk Management Controls for Brokers or Dealers with Market Access (Apr. 15, 2014), available at <https://www.sec.gov/rules-regulations/staff-guidance/trading-markets-frequently-asked-questions/divisionsmarketregfaq-0>.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

As a preliminary matter, the Exchange notes that this proposal is not novel. Earlier this year The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC made a parallel change to its rulebook.⁸ The language of Nasdaq Equity 6, Section 4(b) is substantively identical to the new rule text proposed by the Exchange in the present filing.⁹

The Exchange believes that the proposed amendment to BX Equity 6, Section 4 would provide clearing members, who have assumed certain risks of Participants, greater control over risk tolerance and exposure on behalf of their correspondent Participant, while helping to ensure that both the Participant and its clearing member are aware of developing issues.

A clearing member guarantees transactions executed on Nasdaq for members with whom it has entered into a clearing arrangement, and therefore bears the risk associated with those transactions. The Exchange therefore believes that it is appropriate for a clearing member to have knowledge of what risk settings a Participant may utilize within the Exchange's trading system, as well as the option to set and adjust the risk levels. The proposal will permit a clearing member with whom a Participant has entered into a clearing arrangement to better monitor and manage the potential risks assumed by the clearing member, thereby providing the clearing member with

⁸ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 103211 (June 9, 2025), 90 FR 25095 (June 13, 2025) (File No. SR-NASDAQ-2025-043) (Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) to Permit the Allocation of Responsibility to Clearing Members) (“Nasdaq Filing”).

⁹ As adopted in the Nasdaq Filing, this Nasdaq rule reads as follows: “Clearing Member Designation. A Participant that does not self-clear may allocate the responsibility for establishing and adjusting the risk levels identified in Equity 6, Section 5 to a clearing member that clears transactions on behalf of the Participant, if designated in a manner prescribed by the Exchange. A Participant that chooses to allocate responsibility to its clearing member may view any risk levels established by the clearing member pursuant to this Rule, and will be notified of any action taken by the Exchange with respect to its trading activity. A Participant may revoke responsibility allocated to its clearing member pursuant to this paragraph at any time, if designated in a manner prescribed by the Exchange.”

greater control and flexibility over setting its own risk tolerance and exposure and aiding the clearing member in complying with the requirements of the Act.

The Exchange also believes that the proposed amendment will assist Participants and clearing members in managing their financial exposure which, in turn, could enhance the integrity of trading on the securities markets and help to ensure the stability of the financial system. Moreover, a Participant may revoke responsibility allocated to its clearing member at any time.

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change does not unfairly discriminate among Participants because the use of the risk settings under BX Equity 6, Section 5 would be available to all Participants and their clearing members, if authorized. In addition, because all orders on the Exchange pass through the Exchange's risk checks, there would be no difference in the latency experienced by Participants who have opted to use the risk settings versus those who have not opted to use them.¹⁰

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is designed to provide Participants and their clearing members with additional means to monitor and control risk. The proposed rule may increase confidence in the proper functioning of the markets and contribute to additional competition among trading venues and broker-dealers. Rather than impede competition, the proposal is designed to facilitate more robust risk

¹⁰ All Exchange orders pass through basic risk checks regardless of whether a Participant opts into a risk setting.

management by Participants and clearing members, which, in turn, could enhance the integrity of trading on the securities markets and help to ensure the stability of the financial system.

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

Not applicable.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii)¹¹ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹² in that it effects a change that: (i) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

As noted above, the proposal is not novel, as it brings to the Exchange functionality that The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC added to its rulebook earlier this year.¹³ Additionally, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest because the Exchange intends to use the proposed change to assist Participants and their clearing members in limiting their financial exposure and reducing the potential for disruptive market-wide events. The Exchange therefore believes that the proposed rule change qualifies for immediate effectiveness as a “non-controversial” rule change.

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹³ See Nasdaq Filing.

Furthermore, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)¹⁴ requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file a proposed rule change under that subsection at least five business days prior to the date of filing, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has provided such notice.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

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

As noted above, earlier this year The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC made the same change as the Exchange is making in this filing when it added Nasdaq Equity 6, Section 4(b) to its rulebook, in order to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members.¹⁵ The language in Nasdaq Equity 6, Section 4(b) is substantially identical to the language added to BX Equity 6, Section 4(b) in the present filing.

9. Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act

Not applicable.

10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

¹⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

¹⁵ See Nasdaq Filing.

11. Exhibits

1. Notice of Proposed Rule Change for publication in the Federal Register.
5. Text of the proposed rule change.

EXHIBIT 1**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION****[Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-BX-2025-031]****Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq BX, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) To Permit the Allocation of Responsibility To Clearing Members**

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 December 10, 2025, Nasdaq BX, Inc. (“BX” or “Exchange”) 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 the Exchange. 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

The Exchange proposes to amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at <https://listingcenter.nasdaq.com/rulebook/bx/rulefilings>, and at the principal office of the Exchange.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange 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. The Exchange 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 Exchange proposes to amend BX Equity 6, Section 4 to permit the allocation of responsibility to clearing members. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to add a new Section 4(b) (Clearing Member Designation) to allow a Participant that does not self-clear to allocate responsibility for establishing and adjusting its risk levels to a clearing member that clears transactions on behalf of the Participant.³ A clearing member guarantees transactions executed on the Exchange for Participants with whom it has entered into a clearing arrangement, and therefore bears the risk associated with those transactions. Because a clearing member bears the risk on behalf of its associated Participant, the Exchange believes that it is appropriate for the clearing member to have knowledge of what risk settings the Participant may utilize within the Exchange's trading system, as well as the option to set and adjust the risk levels. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to make a Participant's risk settings in BX Equity 6, Section 5 available to a clearing member, as well as the option to set and adjust the risk levels, if authorized by a Participant.

³ The term "Participant" has the meaning set forth in BX Equity 1, Section 1(a)(9).

For clarification, the Exchange does not guarantee that these risk controls will be sufficiently comprehensive to meet all of a Participant's needs, nor are the controls designed to be the sole means of risk management, and using these controls will not necessarily meet a Participant's obligations required by Exchange or federal rules—including, without limitation, Rule 15c3-5 under the Act⁴ ("Rule 15c3-5"). Use of the Exchange's risk settings in BX Equity 6, Section 5 will not automatically constitute compliance with Exchange or federal rules, and the responsibility for compliance with all Exchange and federal rules remains with the Participant.⁵

If a Participant chooses to designate responsibility to a clearing member, the Participant may view any risk levels established by the clearing member pursuant to proposed BX Equity 6, Section 4(b). Even if a clearing member is designated, a Participant will continue to be notified by the Exchange of any action taken regarding its trading activity. A Participant may revoke the responsibility it has allocated to a clearing member at any time.

The Exchange also proposes labeling the current rule text at BX Equity 6, Section 4 as BX Equity 6, Section 4(a) (Sharing Risk Settings). The text of this newly labeled provision remains completely unchanged.

The Exchange will announce the implementation date of the change described in this filing in an Equity Trader Alert at least 30 days prior to implementation. At present, the Exchange expects that the functionality described in this filing will be ready for implementation in the first quarter of 2026, although that time frame is subject to change.

⁴ 17 CFR § 240.15c3-5.

⁵ See SEC Division of Trading and Markets, Responses to Frequently Asked Questions Concerning Risk Management Controls for Brokers or Dealers with Market Access (Apr. 15, 2014), available at <https://www.sec.gov/rules-regulations/staff-guidance/trading-markets-frequently-asked-questions/divisionsmarketregfaq-0>.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,⁶ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁷ in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

As a preliminary matter, the Exchange notes that this proposal is not novel. Earlier this year The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC made a parallel change to its rulebook.⁸ The language of Nasdaq Equity 6, Section 4(b) is substantively identical to the new rule text proposed by the Exchange in the present filing.⁹

The Exchange believes that the proposed amendment to BX Equity 6, Section 4 would provide clearing members, who have assumed certain risks of Participants, greater control over risk tolerance and exposure on behalf of their correspondent Participant, while helping to ensure that both the Participant and its clearing member are aware of developing issues.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁸ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 103211 (June 9, 2025), 90 FR 25095 (June 13, 2025) (File No. SR-NASDAQ-2025-043) (Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Equity 6, Section 4 (Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings) to Permit the Allocation of Responsibility to Clearing Members) (“Nasdaq Filing”).

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The Exchange also believes that the proposed amendment will assist Participants and clearing members in managing their financial exposure which, in turn, could enhance the integrity of trading on the securities markets and help to ensure the stability of the financial system. Moreover, a Participant may revoke responsibility allocated to its clearing member at any time.

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change does not unfairly discriminate among Participants because the use of the risk settings under BX Equity 6, Section 5 would be available to all Participants and their clearing members, if authorized. In addition, because all orders on the Exchange pass through the Exchange's risk checks, there would be no difference in the latency experienced by Participants who have opted to use the risk settings versus those who have not opted to use them.¹⁰

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is designed to provide Participants and their clearing members with additional means to monitor and control risk. The proposed rule may increase confidence in the proper functioning of the markets and contribute to additional competition among trading venues and broker-dealers. Rather than impede competition, the proposal is designed to facilitate more robust risk management by Participants and clearing members, which, in turn, could enhance the integrity of trading on the securities markets and help to ensure the stability of the financial system.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act¹¹ and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹²

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

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. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments:

- Use the Commission's internet comment form (<https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include file number SR-BX-2025-031 on the subject line.

Paper Comments:

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to file number SR-BX-2025-031. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the filing will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All

submissions should refer to file number SR-BX-2025-031 and should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 21 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹³

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

¹³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

The text of the proposed rule change is detailed below; proposed new language is underlined and proposed deletions are in brackets.

NASDAQ BX, INC. RULES

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EQUITY 6 BX RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICE; OTHER SYSTEMS AND PROGRAMS

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Section 4. Exchange Sharing of Participant Risk Settings

(a) ***Sharing Risk Settings.*** The Exchange may share any Participant risk settings in the trading system specified in Equity 6, Section 5 with the clearing member that clears transactions on behalf of the Participant. For purposes of this Rule, the term "Participant" has the meaning set forth in Equity 1, Section 1(a)(9).

(b) ***Clearing Member Designation.*** A Participant that does not self-clear may allocate the responsibility for establishing and adjusting the risk levels identified in Equity 6, Section 5 to a clearing member that clears transactions on behalf of the Participant, if designated in a manner prescribed by the Exchange. A Participant that chooses to allocate responsibility to its clearing member may view any risk levels established by the clearing member pursuant to this Rule, and will be notified of any action taken by the Exchange with respect to its trading activity. A Participant may revoke responsibility allocated to its clearing member pursuant to this paragraph at any time, if designated in a manner prescribed by the Exchange.

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