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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 For complete Form 19b-4 instructions please refer to the EFFS website. Form 19b-4 Information (required) The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful Add Remove View comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act. The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published (required) 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 Add Remove View 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) Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be **Transcripts, Other Communications** filed in accordance with Instruction G. Add Remove View Exhibit Sent As Paper Document Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire 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 Add Remove View referred to by the proposed rule change. Exhibit Sent As Paper Document The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and **Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies** 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 Add Remove View it has been working.

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Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text

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The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes

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readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part

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 Proposed Rule Change

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("NASDAQ" or "Exchange") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") proposed changes to NASDAQ's fees for order execution.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u> and the text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

2. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

The proposed rule change was approved by senior management of NASDAQ pursuant to authority delegated by the Board of Directors of NASDAQ on July 10, 2012. NASDAQ staff will advise the Board of Directors of NASDAQ of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action by NASDAQ is necessary for the filing of the rule change. NASDAQ proposes to implement the proposed rule change on December 3, 2012.

Questions regarding this rule filing may be directed to John M. Yetter, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, NASDAQ OMX, 301-978-8497.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

3. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

a. <u>Purpose</u>

NASDAQ currently charges \$0.0030 per share executed with respect to all orders for securities priced at \$1 or more per share that execute in the NASDAQ Market Center. In this proposed rule change, NASDAQ is proposing two specific discounts from this fee.³ First, if a member enters Market-on-Close ("MOC") and/or Limit-on-Close ("LOC") orders that execute in the NASDAQ Closing Cross, and such orders represent more than 0.06% of the total consolidated volume reported to all consolidated transaction reporting plans by all exchanges and trade reporting facilities ("Consolidated Volume") during the month, the member would pay a fee of \$0.0029 per share executed with respect to its orders that execute in the NASDAQ Market Center during the month.⁴ NASDAQ is introducing the discount because it believes that members that participate in the NASDAQ Closing Cross to a significant extent through the use of MOC and/or LOC orders are frequently acting on behalf of institutional investor customers. At present, such members may be giving NASDAQ lower relative priority in their order routing decisions due to its relatively high fees for accessing liquidity, as compared with lowercost exchanges. As a result, liquidity providers on NASDAQ may receive larger orders that have already attempted to access liquidity elsewhere, such that the order is more likely to have an impact on the price of the stock. By lowering fees for these members, NASDAQ hopes to encourage them to give greater priority to NASDAQ in their routing

NASDAQ is also making conforming changes to relocate the placement of the definitions of "MPID" and "Consolidated Volume" in Rule 7018.

Unless a lower rate applies. For example, an order subject to the discount for Designated Securities described below would pay the lower rate.

decisions, thereby lowering their cost and improving the execution experience of liquidity providers. NASDAQ also hopes to encourage greater use of its Closing Cross through this pricing incentive. NASDAQ further notes that the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") currently offers general pricing incentives to members that make use of its closing process to a specified extent.⁵

Second, NASDAQ is proposing a discounted execution fee of \$0.0028 per share executed for the following securities ("Designated Securities"):

BAC	Bank of America Corporation
DIA	SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF
EEM	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets Index ETF
F	Ford Motor Co.
GE	General Electric Company
GEN	GenOn Energy, Inc.
HPQ	Hewlett-Packard Company
INTC	Intel Corporation
IWM	iShares Russell 2000 Index ETF
MSFT	Microsoft Corporation
NOK	Nokia Corporation
QQQ	Powershares QQQ ETF
S	Sprint Nextel Corp.
SPY	SPDR S&P 500 ETF
TZA	Direxion Daily Small Cap Bear 3X Shares ETF
VXX	iPath S&P 500 VIX ST Futures ETN
XLF	Financial Select Sector SPDR ETF
YHOO	Yahoo! Inc.

The discounted fee would apply to all orders in Designated Securities entered through a market participant identifier ("MPID") through which a member accesses, provides, or routes shares of liquidity that represent more than 0.25% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including a daily average volume of at least 2 million shares of liquidity provided. The Designated Securities were selected based on analysis of the extent to

⁵ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68150 (November 5, 2012), 77 FR 67431 (November 9, 2012) (SR-NYSE-2012-56); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68021 (October 9, 2012), 77 FR 63406 (October 16, 2012) (SR-NYSE-2012-50).

which (i) NASDAQ generally has a strong quote in the security, in terms of size and time at the national best bid or offer ("NBBO"), but (ii) NASDAQ's share of executions in the security has declined. By lowering the fee for accessing liquidity in these securities, NASDAQ hopes to encourage members to give greater priority to NASDAQ in their routing decisions, thereby lowering their cost and improving the execution experience of liquidity providers in Designated Securities. In order to qualify for the discount, members must demonstrate a commitment to regular participation in the NASDAQ Market Center by reaching relatively modest usage levels (shares accessed, provided or routed representing 0.25% of Consolidated Volume), including an average daily volume of 2 million or more shares of liquidity provided. Through this requirement, NASDAQ will minimize the likelihood of offering the discount to members that engage solely in opportunistic trading without providing liquidity. NASDAQ believes that this will, in turn, increase the likelihood that offering the pricing incentive will increase NASDAQ's market quality in Designated Securities. NASDAQ further notes that NYSE and NYSEArca currently offer pricing incentives that are limited to certain designated securities.6

b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

NASDAQ believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act,⁷ in general, and with Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁸ in

Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68021 (October 9, 2012), 77 FR 63406 (October 16, 2012) (SR-NYSE-2012-50); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67986 (October 4, 2012), 77 FR 61803 (October 11, 2012) (SR-NYSEArca-2012-104).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility or system which NASDAQ operates or controls, and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

Specifically, NASDAQ believes that the proposal to introduce a pricing incentive for members that achieve certain participation levels in the NASDAQ Closing Cross is reasonable because it will result in a reduction of fees below the levels currently in effect, which in turn are consistent with the requirements of Rule 610 under Regulation NMS⁹ applicable to access fees. The proposal is consistent with an equitable allocation of fees and not unfairly discriminatory because it will reduce fees to members that NASDAQ believes are generally acting on behalf of institutional investors, and NASDAQ believes that drawing the orders of such members to NASDAQ will be beneficial to other market participants. Specifically, by encouraging such members to route orders to NASDAQ sooner, the pricing change is intended to benefit liquidity providers by allowing them to achieve more frequent executions under conditions where the execution of their posted liquidity is less likely to have a negative impact on the price of the security being traded. In addition, the change is intended to increase the proportion of orders in NASDAQ that reflect long-term trading interest, rather than opportunistic trading strategies. Accordingly, although the fee reduction applies only to members with certain characteristics, it is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it is intended to encourage trading behavior that is beneficial to the market as a whole. The discount is also not unfairly discriminatory because an appreciable number of members are expected

¹⁷ CFR 242.610.

to qualify for it based on current trading volumes, and more may qualify by increasing their participation in NASDAQ.

Similarly, NASDAO believes that the proposal to introduce a pricing incentive for Designated Securities is reasonable because it will result in a reduction of fees below the levels currently in effect, which in turn are consistent with the requirements of Rule 610 under Regulation NMS¹⁰ applicable to access fees. The proposal is consistent with an equitable allocation of fees and not unfairly discriminatory because it will reduce fees for members that have demonstrated a commitment to regular participation in the NASDAQ Market Center through reaching specified levels of overall usage and liquidity provision. Incentives focused on the members that provide liquidity are prevalent in securities markets because higher levels of liquidity provision aid price discovery and dampen volatility. In addition, the focus of the incentive on Designated Securities is equitable and not unreasonably discriminatory because, despite strong quotes in terms of size and time at the inside, NASDAQ's share of executions in these securities has declined, thereby risking the willingness of members to continue to offer liquidity at current levels. By providing an incentive for members to access NASDAQ's quote in these securities, the price change will benefit liquidity providers as well as liquidity accessors. The discount is also not unfairly discriminatory because an appreciable number of members are expected to qualify for it based on current trading volumes, and more may qualify by increasing their participation in NASDAQ.

Finally, NASDAQ notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily favor competing venues if they deem fee levels at a

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particular venue to be excessive. In such an environment, NASDAQ must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges and with alternative trading systems that have been exempted from compliance with the statutory standards applicable to exchanges. NASDAQ believes that the proposed rule change reflects this competitive environment because it lowers fees for members whose trading activity is likely to reinforce incentives for other members to provide liquidity at NASDAQ.

4. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

NASDAQ does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended. Because the market for order execution is extremely competitive, members may readily opt to disfavor NASDAQ's execution services if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. By reducing fees, the proposal is a manifestation of the continued intense level of competition in the market for order execution.

- Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others
 Written comments were neither solicited nor received.
- Extension of Time Period for Commission Action
 Not applicable.
- 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)</u>

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,¹¹ NASDAQ has designated this proposal as establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the self-regulatory organization on any person, whether or not the person is a member of the self-regulatory organization, which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing.

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

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

The proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission. However, NASDAQ notes that NYSE currently offers general pricing incentives to members that make use of its closing process to a specified extent. This aspect of the NYSE pricing schedule is similar to the proposal to reduce fees for members that make use of the NASDAQ Closing Cross to a specified extent, but differs to the extent that NYSE offers an enhanced liquidity provider rebate, whereas NASDAQ proposes to reduce access fees. NASDAQ further notes that NYSE and NYSEArca currently offer pricing incentives that are limited to certain designated securities. This aspect of their respective fee schedules is similar to the proposal to reduce fees for members that access liquidity in Designated Securities, but differs in that (i) the securities to which the incentives apply are different, (ii) the incentives of the other exchanges do not require specified levels of market participation by members receiving the incentive, and (iii) the other exchanges offer enhanced liquidity provider rebates rather than reduced access fees.

9. <u>Exhibits</u>

- Completed notice of proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal</u>
 <u>Register.</u>
 - 5. Text of the proposed rule change.

Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68150 (November 5, 2012), 77 FR 67431 (November 9, 2012) (SR-NYSE-2012-56); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68021 (October 9, 2012), 77 FR 63406 (October 16, 2012) (SR-NYSE-2012-50).

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EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. ; File No. SR-NASDAQ-2012-135)

December ___, 2012

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Changes to NASDAQ's Fees for Order Execution

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹, and Rule 19b-4² thereunder, notice is hereby given that on November 30, 2012. The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("NASDAQ" 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 NASDAQ. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC proposes changes to NASDAQ's fees for order execution. While changes pursuant to this proposal are effective upon filing, the Exchange will implement the proposed rule on December 3, 2012.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at http://www.nasdaq.cchwallstreet.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

1. <u>Purpose</u>

NASDAQ currently charges \$0.0030 per share executed with respect to all orders for securities priced at \$1 or more per share that execute in the NASDAQ Market Center. In this proposed rule change, NASDAQ is proposing two specific discounts from this fee.³ First, if a member enters Market-on-Close ("MOC") and/or Limit-on-Close ("LOC") orders that execute in the NASDAQ Closing Cross, and such orders represent more than 0.06% of the total consolidated volume reported to all consolidated transaction reporting plans by all exchanges and trade reporting facilities ("Consolidated Volume") during the month, the member would pay a fee of \$0.0029 per share executed with respect to its orders that execute in the NASDAQ Market Center during the month.⁴ NASDAQ is introducing the discount because it believes that members that participate in the NASDAQ Closing Cross to a significant extent through the use of MOC and/or LOC

NASDAQ is also making conforming changes to relocate the placement of the definitions of "MPID" and "Consolidated Volume" in Rule 7018.

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orders are frequently acting on behalf of institutional investor customers. At present, such members may be giving NASDAQ lower relative priority in their order routing decisions due to its relatively high fees for accessing liquidity, as compared with lower-cost exchanges. As a result, liquidity providers on NASDAQ may receive larger orders that have already attempted to access liquidity elsewhere, such that the order is more likely to have an impact on the price of the stock. By lowering fees for these members, NASDAQ hopes to encourage them to give greater priority to NASDAQ in their routing decisions, thereby lowering their cost and improving the execution experience of liquidity providers. NASDAQ also hopes to encourage greater use of its Closing Cross through this pricing incentive. NASDAQ further notes that the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") currently offers general pricing incentives to members that make use of its closing process to a specified extent.⁵

Second, NASDAQ is proposing a discounted execution fee of \$0.0028 per share executed for the following securities ("Designated Securities"):

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VXX iPath S&P 500 VIX ST Futures ETN XLF Financial Select Sector SPDR ETF

YHOO Yahoo! Inc.

The discounted fee would apply to all orders in Designated Securities entered through a market participant identifier ("MPID") through which a member accesses, provides, or routes shares of liquidity that represent more than 0.25% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including a daily average volume of at least 2 million shares of liquidity provided. The Designated Securities were selected based on analysis of the extent to which (i) NASDAQ generally has a strong quote in the security, in terms of size and time at the national best bid or offer ("NBBO"), but (ii) NASDAQ's share of executions in the security has declined. By lowering the fee for accessing liquidity in these securities, NASDAQ hopes to encourage members to give greater priority to NASDAQ in their routing decisions, thereby lowering their cost and improving the execution experience of liquidity providers in Designated Securities. In order to qualify for the discount, members must demonstrate a commitment to regular participation in the NASDAQ Market Center by reaching relatively modest usage levels (shares accessed, provided or routed representing 0.25% of Consolidated Volume), including an average daily volume of 2 million or more shares of liquidity provided. Through this requirement, NASDAO will minimize the likelihood of offering the discount to members that engage solely in opportunistic trading without providing liquidity. NASDAO believes that this will, in turn, increase the likelihood that offering the pricing incentive will increase NASDAQ's market quality in Designated Securities. NASDAQ further

notes that NYSE and NYSEArca currently offer pricing incentives that are limited to certain designated securities.⁶

2. Statutory Basis

NASDAQ believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act,⁷ in general, and with Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁸ in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility or system which NASDAQ operates or controls, and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

Specifically, NASDAQ believes that the proposal to introduce a pricing incentive for members that achieve certain participation levels in the NASDAQ Closing Cross is reasonable because it will result in a reduction of fees below the levels currently in effect, which in turn are consistent with the requirements of Rule 610 under Regulation NMS⁹ applicable to access fees. The proposal is consistent with an equitable allocation of fees and not unfairly discriminatory because it will reduce fees to members that NASDAQ believes are generally acting on behalf of institutional investors, and NASDAQ believes that drawing the orders of such members to NASDAQ will be beneficial to other market participants. Specifically, by encouraging such members to route orders to NASDAQ

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⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

⁹ 17 CFR 242.610.

sooner, the pricing change is intended to benefit liquidity providers by allowing them to achieve more frequent executions under conditions where the execution of their posted liquidity is less likely to have a negative impact on the price of the security being traded. In addition, the change is intended to increase the proportion of orders in NASDAQ that reflect long-term trading interest, rather than opportunistic trading strategies.

Accordingly, although the fee reduction applies only to members with certain characteristics, it is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it is intended to encourage trading behavior that is beneficial to the market as a whole. The discount is also not unfairly discriminatory because an appreciable number of members are expected to qualify for it based on current trading volumes, and more may qualify by increasing their participation in NASDAQ.

Similarly, NASDAQ believes that the proposal to introduce a pricing incentive for Designated Securities is reasonable because it will result in a reduction of fees below the levels currently in effect, which in turn are consistent with the requirements of Rule 610 under Regulation NMS¹⁰ applicable to access fees. The proposal is consistent with an equitable allocation of fees and not unfairly discriminatory because it will reduce fees for members that have demonstrated a commitment to regular participation in the NASDAQ Market Center through reaching specified levels of overall usage and liquidity provision. Incentives focused on the members that provide liquidity are prevalent in securities markets because higher levels of liquidity provision aid price discovery and dampen volatility. In addition, the focus of the incentive on Designated Securities is equitable and not unreasonably discriminatory because, despite strong quotes in terms of size and

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time at the inside, NASDAQ's share of executions in these securities has declined, thereby risking the willingness of members to continue to offer liquidity at current levels. By providing an incentive for members to access NASDAQ's quote in these securities, the price change will benefit liquidity providers as well as liquidity accessors. The discount is also not unfairly discriminatory because an appreciable number of members are expected to qualify for it based on current trading volumes, and more may qualify by increasing their participation in NASDAQ.

Finally, NASDAQ notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily favor competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive. In such an environment, NASDAQ must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges and with alternative trading systems that have been exempted from compliance with the statutory standards applicable to exchanges. NASDAQ believes that the proposed rule change reflects this competitive environment because it lowers fees for members whose trading activity is likely to reinforce incentives for other members to provide liquidity at NASDAQ.

B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

NASDAQ does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended. Because the market for order execution is extremely competitive, members may readily opt to disfavor NASDAQ's execution services if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. By reducing fees, the proposal is a manifestation of the continued intense level of competition in the market for order execution.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed</u> Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were either solicited or received.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act.¹¹ 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.

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
 (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2012-135 on the subject line.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2012-135. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail 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 Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml).

Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2012-135 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 12

Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary

¹⁷ CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

The text of the proposed rule change is below. Proposed new language is underlined; deletions are bracketed.

7018. Nasdaq Market Center Order Execution and Routing

- (a) The following charges shall apply to the use of the order execution and routing services of the Nasdaq Market Center by members for all securities priced at \$1 or more that it trades. For purposes of determining a member's shares of liquidity routed, TFTY, MOPP, SAVE, SOLV, CART, and directed orders are not counted. The term "Designated Securities" means securities with the following ticker symbols: BAC, DIA, EEM, F, GE, GEN, HPQ, INTC, IWM, MSFT, NOK, QQQ, S, SPY, TZA, VXX, XLF and YHOO.
- (1) Fees for Execution and Routing of Orders in Nasdaq-Listed Securities

Charge to enter orders that execute in the [\$0.0030 per share executed] Nasdaq Market Center:

member with Market-on-Close and/or Limit-on-Close orders executed in the Nasdaq Closing Cross that represent more than 0.06% of the total consolidated volume reported to all consolidated transaction reporting plans by all exchanges and trade reporting facilities ("Consolidated Volume") during the month:

\$0.0029 per share executed (unless a lower fee applies)

orders in Designated Securities entered through a market participant identifier ("MPID") through which a member accesses, provides, or routes shares of liquidity that represent more than 0.25% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including a daily average volume of at least 2 million shares of liquidity provided:

\$0.0028 per share executed

all other orders that execute in the Nasdaq \$0.0030 per share executed Market Center:

Charge to member entering STGY, \$0 SCAN, SKNY, or SKIP order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center and charge to member

\$0.0030 per share executed

entering a LIST order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center, but not in an opening, re-opening, or closing process:

Charge or credit to member entering TFTY, MOPP, SAVE, SOLV, CART, or executed for directed orders sent directed order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center:

Credit of \$0.0005 per share to NASDAQ OMX BX Charge of \$0.0029 per share executed for directed orders sent to NASDAQ OMX PSX Charge of \$0.0035 per share executed for other directed orders Charge of \$0.0028 per share

executed for TFTY, SOLV, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX PSX For CART orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX PSX, Nasdaq will pass through all fees assessed and rebates offered by NASDAQ OMX PSX Credit of \$0.0014 for TFTY, SOLV, CART, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX BX

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Credit to member for quotes/orders (other than Supplemental Orders) that provide liquidity:

member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.00295 per share executed for in all securities through one of its Nasdaq displayed quotes/orders Market Center [market participant identifiers ([MPIDs[)] that represent more midpoint pegged or midpoint

\$0.0017 per share executed for

than 0.90% of [the total consolidated volume reported to all consolidated transaction reporting plans by all exchanges and trade reporting facilities ("]Consolidated Volume[")] during the month:

member (i) that is a registered market maker through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs in at least 7,000 securities, \$0.0017 per share executed for (ii) with shares of liquidity provided in all midpoint orders if the member securities through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more volume of more than 3 million than 0.75% of Consolidated Volume during the month, and (iii) with shares of during the month liquidity provided in all securities through \$0.0015 per share executed for one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center midpoint orders if the member MPIDs that represent more than 0.90% of provides an average daily Consolidated Volume during the month:

member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0029 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its displayed quotes/orders Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.50% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

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member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0027 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its displayed quotes/orders Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.30% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

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\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million \$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0025 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its displayed quotes/orders Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month

member with shares of liquidity accessed in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs

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member with (i) shares of liquidity provided in all securities during the month representing more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month, through one or more of its Nasdaq Market provides an average daily volume during the month of more than 100,000 contracts of liquidity accessed or provided through one or more of its Nasdaq Options Market MPIDs:

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Credit to other members:

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\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not

displayed

Credit for Supplemental Orders: \$0.0018 per share executed for

> Supplemental Orders entered through a Nasdaq Market Center

MPID through which the member provides an average daily volume during the month of more than 1 million shares of liquidity via Supplemental

Orders

\$0.0015 per share executed for other Supplemental Orders

LIST order that executes in Nasdaq's

closing process:

Applicable charges as provided

in Rule 7018(d)

LIST order that executes in Nasdaq's

opening process:

Applicable charges as provided

in Rule 7018(e)

LIST order that executes in Nasdaq's halt Applicable charges as provided

cross process:

in Rule 7018(f)

(2) Fees for Execution and Routing of Securities Listed on NYSE

Charge to enter orders that execute in [\$0.0030 per share executed] the Nasdaq Market Center:

member with Market-on-Close and/or \$0.0029 per share executed (unless a Limit-on-Close orders executed in the <u>lower</u> fee applies) Nasdaq Closing Cross that represent more than 0.06% of Consolidated

Volume during the month:

orders in Designated Securities entered through an MPID through which a member accesses, provides, or routes shares of liquidity that represent more than 0.25% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including a daily average volume of at least 2 million shares of

liquidity provided:

\$0.0028 per share executed

all other orders that execute in the

Nasdaq Market Center:

Charge to member entering DOTI,

\$0.0030 per share executed

For DOTI orders that execute in

STGY, SCAN, SKNY, or SKIP order NASDAQ OMX BX, NASDAQ will that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center, and charge to member entering a LIST order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center, but not in an opening, closing, or reopening process:

Charge or credit to member entering TFTY, MOPP, SAVE, SOLV, CART, or directed order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center:

pass-through all fees assessed and rebates offered by NASDAQ OMX

\$0.0015 credit for orders that add liquidity at the NYSE after routing \$0.0025 fee per share executed for other orders executed at NYSE \$0.0030 fee per share executed for other orders

Credit of \$0.0005 per share executed for directed orders sent to NASDAQ **OMX BX**

Charge of \$0.0029 per share executed for directed orders sent to NASDAQ OMX PSX

For directed orders designated as Intermarket Sweep Orders that execute: (i) at venues other than NYSE, NASDAQ OMX BX, or NASDAQ OMX PSX, charge of \$0.0035 per share executed, or (ii) at NYSE, charge of \$0.0027 per share executed

For other directed orders that execute at NYSE: (i) charge of \$0.0026 per share executed for members with an average daily volume through the Nasdaq Market Center in all securities during the month of more than 35 million shares of liquidity provided through one or more of its MPIDs, or (ii) charge of \$0.0027 per share executed for other members For other directed orders, charge of \$0.0035 per share executed Charge of \$0.0028 per share executed for TFTY, SOLV, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX PSX For CART orders that executed at

NASDAQ OMX PSX, Nasdaq will pass through all fees assessed and rebates offered by NASDAQ OMX **PSX**

Credit of \$0.0014 for TFTY, SOLV,

CART, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX BX For a MOPP order: charge of \$0.0035 per share executed at venues other than NYSE; or charge of \$0.0027 per share executed at NYSE For TFTY orders that execute: (i) at venues other than NYSE, NASDAQ OMX BX or NASDAQ OMX PSX, charge of \$0.0005 per share executed; or (ii) at the NYSE, charge of \$0.0024 per share executed For SAVE or SOLV orders that execute: (i) at venues other than NYSE, NASDAQ OMX BX, or NASDAQ OMX PSX, charge of \$0.0029 per share executed, or (ii) at NYSE, charge of \$0.0025 per share executed

Credit to member for quotes/orders (other than Supplemental Orders) that provide liquidity:

member with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders of its Nasdag Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.90% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

\$0.00295 per share executed for \$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

member (i) that is a registered market \$0.00295 per share executed for maker through one of its Nasdag Market Center MPIDs in at least 7,000 securities, (ii) with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.75% of Consolidated Volume during the month, and (iii) with

displaced quotes/orders \$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month \$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member

shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.90% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

member with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.50% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

member with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.30% of Consolidated Volume during the month during the month:

member with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.30% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including shares of more than 3 million shares through liquidity provided with respect to securities that are listed on exchanges \$0.0015 per share executed for other than NASDAQ or NYSE that represent more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume:

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member with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

member with shares of liquidity accessed in all securities through one displayed quotes/orders or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs representing more than 0.45% of Consolidated Volume during the month; provided that the member also provides a daily average midpoint orders during the month of at least 2 million shares of liquidity in all securities through one midpoint orders if the member or more of its Nasdaq Market Center provides an average daily volume of MPIDs during the month:

member with (i) shares of liquidity provided in all securities during the month representing more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month, through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs, and (ii) an average daily volume during the month of more than 100,000 contracts of liquidity accessed or provided through one or more of its Nasdaq Options Market MPIDs:

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member with (i) shares of liquidity provided in all securities during the month representing more than 1.0% of Consolidated Volume during the month, through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs, and (ii) an average daily volume during the month of more than 200,000 contracts of liquidity accessed or provided through one or more of its Nasdaq Options Market MPIDs:

Credit to other members:

Credit for Supplemental Orders:

\$0.0029 per share executed for displayed quotes/orders
\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

\$0.00295 per share executed for displayed quotes/orders
\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

\$0.0020 per share executed for displayed quotes/orders
\$0.0017 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of more than 3 million shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0015 per share executed for midpoint orders if the member provides an average daily volume of 3 million or fewer shares through midpoint orders during the month
\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not displayed

\$0.0018 per share executed for Supplemental Orders entered through a Nasdaq Market Center MPID through which the member provides an average daily volume during the month of more than 1 million shares of liquidity via Supplemental Orders \$0.0015 per share executed for other Supplemental Orders

Order that is routed to NYSE and then routed to another venue for execution: NASDAQ will pass-through any routing fees charged to NASDAQ by NYSE

DOT or LIST Order that executes in the NYSE closing process:

\$0.00095 per share executed

DOT or LIST Order that executes in the NYSE opening process or reopening process: \$0.0005 per share executed, but not to exceed \$15,000 per month per member

Per order charge for round lot or mixed lot DOTI orders:

\$0.01 fee per DOTI Order when during a month: (i) a market participant sends an average of more than 10,000 DOTI Orders per day through one or more of its MPIDs; and (ii) the ratio of DOTI Orders to executions exceeds 300 to 1. The fee will apply to each DOTI Order that exceeds the 300 to 1 ratio. In calculating daily average DOTI Orders, Nasdaq will exclude the day with the highest ratio of DOTI Orders to executions.

(3) Fees for Execution and Routing of Orders in Securities Listed on Exchanges other than Nasdaq and NYSE ("Tape B Securities")

Charge to member entering order that executes in the Nasdaq Market Center:

[\$0.0030 per share executed]

member with Market-on-Close and/or Limit-on-Close orders executed in the Nasdaq Closing Cross that represent more than 0.06% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

\$0.0029 per share executed (unless a lower fee applies)

orders in Designated Securities entered through an MPID through which a member accesses, provides, or routes shares of liquidity that represent more than 0.25% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including a daily

\$0.0028 per share executed

average volume of at least 2 million shares of liquidity provided:

all other orders that execute in the Nasdaq Market Center:

Charge to member entering DOTI, STGY, SCAN, SKNY, or SKIP order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center, and charge to member entering a LIST order that executes in a venue other than the Nasdaq Market Center, but not in an opening, closing or re-opening process:

Charge or credit to member entering Credit of \$0.0005 per share TFTY, MOPP, SAVE, SOLV, CART, or executed for directed orders sent directed order that executes in a venue to NASDAQ OMX BX other than the Nasdaq Market Center: Charge of \$0.0029 per share

\$0.0030 per share executed

For DOTI orders that execute in NASDAQ OMX BX, Nasdaq will pass through all fees assessed and rebates offered by NASDAQ OMX BX For other orders, \$0.0030 per share executed

Credit of \$0.0005 per share to NASDAQ OMX BX Charge of \$0.0029 per share executed for directed orders sent to NASDAQ OMX PSX Charge of \$0.0035 per share executed for other directed orders Charge of \$0.0028 per share executed for TFYY, SOLV, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAO OMX PSX For CART orders that execute at NASDAO OMX PSX, Nasdaq will pass through all fees assessed and rebates offered by NASDAQ OMX PSX Credit of \$0.0014 for TFTY, SOLV, CART, or SAVE orders that execute at NASDAQ OMX BXCharge of \$0.0029 per share executed for SAVE or SOLV orders that execute at venues other than NASDAQ OMX BX or NASDAQ OMX PSX Charge of \$0.0035 per share executed for a MOPP order Charge of \$0.0005 per share executed for TFTY orders that execute in venues other than NASDAQ OMX BX or NASDAQ OMX PSX

Credit to member for quotes/orders (other than Supplemental Orders) that provide liquidity:

member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.00295 per share executed for in all securities through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.90% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

member (i) that is a registered market maker through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs in at least 7,000 securities, (ii) with shares of liquidity provided in all securities through one of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.75% of Consolidated Volume during the month, and (iii) with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0015 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.90% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0029 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.50% of Consolidated Volume during the month:

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member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0029 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that represent more than 0.30% of Consolidated Volume during the month, including shares of liquidity provided with respect to securities that are listed on exchanges other than NASDAQ or NYSE that represent more than 0.10% of \$0.0015 per share executed for Consolidated Volume:

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member with shares of liquidity provided \$0.0025 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs that

displayed quotes/orders \$0.0017 per share executed for represent more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month: provides an average daily volume

member with shares of liquidity accessed \$0.0025 per share executed for in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs representing more than 0.45% of Consolidated Volume during the month; provides an average daily volume provided that the member also provides a of more than 3 million shares daily average of at least 2 million shares of liquidity in all securities through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs during the month:

member with (i) shares of liquidity provided in all securities during the month representing more than 0.10% of Consolidated Volume during the month, through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs, and (ii) an average daily volume during the month of more than 100,000 contracts of liquidity accessed or provided through one or more of its Nasdaq Options Market MPIDs:

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member with (i) shares of liquidity provided in all securities during the month representing more than 1.0% of Consolidated Volume during the month, through one or more of its Nasdaq Market Center MPIDs, and (ii) an average daily volume during the month of more than 200,000 contracts of liquidity accessed or provided through one or more of its Nasdaq Options Market MPIDs:

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the month

\$0.0010 per share executed for other quotes/orders that are not

displayed

Credit for Supplemental Orders: 0.0018 per share executed for

Supplemental Orders entered through a Nasdaq Market Center MPID through which the member provides an average daily volume during the month of more than 1 million shares of liquidity via

Supplemental Orders

\$0.0015 per share executed for other Supplemental Orders

Order that is routed to NYSEAmex or NYSEArca and then routed to another venue for execution:

NASDAQ will pass-through any routing fees charged to NASDAQ by NYSEAmex or NYSEArca, as

applicable

LIST order that executes in an exchange's closing process:

\$0.001 per share executed in the NYSEArca closing process \$0.00095 per share executed in the NYSEAmex closing process \$0.0005 per share executed in the

LIST order that executes in an exchange's opening process:

NYSEArca opening process; provided, however, that total charges for all LIST orders that execute in the NYSEArca opening process shall not exceed

opening process shan not excee

\$10,000 per month

\$0.0005 per share executed in the NYSEAmex opening process

LIST order that executes in an exchange's re-opening process:

\$0.001 per share executed in the NYSEArca re-opening process \$0.0005 per share executed in the NYSEAmex re-opening process

(b) - (m) No change.