Notice of proposed change pursuant to the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Act of 2010

Section 806(e)(1)

Section 806(e)(2)

Security-Based Swap Submission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Section 3C(b)(2)

Exhibit 2 Sent As Paper Document

Exhibit 3 Sent As Paper Document

has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Edward S Knight,

Date 02/01/2013

By Edward S. Knight

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### Form 19b-4 Information *

The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful 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.

### Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change *

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 Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies

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### Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications

Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G.

### 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 referred to by the proposed rule change.

### Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies

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

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.

### Partial Amendment

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 (“Exchange”) is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) a proposal to extend the trading pause pilot in certain individual NMS stocks when the price moves ten percent or more in the preceding five minute period, so that the pilot will now expire on the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014.

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

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4120. Trading Halts

(a) Authority to Initiate Trading Halts or Pauses

In circumstances in which Nasdaq deems it necessary to protect investors and the public interest, Nasdaq, pursuant to the procedures set forth in paragraph (c):

   (1) – (10) No change.

   (11) shall, between 9:45 a.m. and 3:35 p.m., or in the case of an early scheduled close, 25 minutes before the close of trading, immediately pause trading for 5 minutes in any Nasdaq-listed security, other than rights and warrants, when the price of such security moves a percentage specified below within a 5-minute period.

   (A) The price move shall be 10% or more with respect to securities included in the S&P 500® Index, Russell 1000® Index, and a pilot list of Exchange Traded Products;

   (B) The price move shall be 30% or more with respect to all NMS stocks not subject to section (a)(11)(A) of this Rule with a price equal to or greater than $1; and

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(C) The price move shall be 50% or more with respect to all NMS stocks not subject to section (a)(11)(A) of this Rule with a price less than $1.

The determination that the price of a stock is equal to or greater than $1 under paragraph (a)(11)(B) above or less than $1 under paragraph (a)(11)(C) above shall be based on the last reported closing price on Nasdaq.

At the end of the trading pause, Nasdaq will re-open the security using the Halt Cross process set forth in Nasdaq Rule 4753. In the event of a significant imbalance at the end of a trading pause, Nasdaq may delay the re-opening of a security.

Nasdaq will issue a notification if it cannot resume trading for a reason other than a significant imbalance.

Price moves under this paragraph will be calculated by changes in each consolidated last-sale price disseminated by a network processor over a five minute rolling period measured continuously. Only regular way in-sequence transactions qualify for use in calculations of price moves. Nasdaq can exclude a transaction price from use if it concludes that the transaction price resulted from an erroneous trade.

If a trading pause is triggered under this paragraph, Nasdaq shall immediately notify the single plan processor responsible for consolidation of information for the security pursuant to Rule 603 of Regulation NMS under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. If a primary listing market issues an individual stock trading pause, Nasdaq will pause trading in that security until trading has resumed on the primary listing market or notice has been received from the primary listing market that trading may resume. If the primary listing market does not reopen within 10 minutes of notification of a trading pause, Nasdaq may resume trading the security.

The provisions of this paragraph shall be in effect during a pilot set to end on the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014[3].

(b) – (c) No change.

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(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 of the Exchange on July 10, 2012. Exchange staff will advise the Board of Directors of the Exchange of any action
taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action by the Exchange is necessary for the filing of the rule change. The Exchange will implement the proposed change on February 4, 2013.

Questions regarding this rule proposal may be directed to T. Sean Bennett, Associate General Counsel, The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. at (301) 978-8499 (telephone) or (301) 978-8472 (fax).

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

   On June 10, 2010, the Commission granted accelerated approval for a pilot period to end December 10, 2010, for a proposed rule change submitted by the Exchange, together with related rule changes of the BATS Exchange, Inc., NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., EDGA Exchange, Inc., EDGX Exchange, Inc., International Securities Exchange LLC, New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE”), NYSE MKT LLC (“NYSE MKT”) (formerly, NYSE Amex LLC), NYSE Arca, Inc. (“NYSE Arca”), and National Stock Exchange, Inc. (collectively, the “Exchanges”), to pause trading during periods of extraordinary market volatility in S&P 500 stocks.3 The rules require the Listing Markets4 to issue five-minute trading pauses for individual securities for which they are the primary Listing Market if the transaction price of the security moves ten percent or more from a price in the preceding five-minute period. The Listing Markets are required

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4 The term “Listing Markets” refers collectively to NYSE, NYSE MKT, NYSE Arca, and the Exchange.
to notify the other Exchanges and market participants of the imposition of a trading pause by immediately disseminating a special indicator over the consolidated tape. Under the rules, once the Listing Market issues a trading pause, the other Exchanges are required to pause trading in the security on their markets. On September 10, 2010, the Commission approved the respective rule filings of the Exchanges to expand application of the pilot to the Russell 1000® Index and specified Exchange Traded Products. On December 7, 2010, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the existing pilot program for four months, so that the pilot would expire on April 11, 2011. On March 31, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the pilot period an additional four months, so that the pilot would expire on August 11, 2011 or the date on which a limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, if adopted, applies. On June 23, 2011, the Commission approved the expansion of the pilot to all NMS stocks, but with different pause-triggering thresholds. On August 8, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing that removed language from the rule that tied the expiration of the pilot to the adoption of a limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, and further extended the pilot

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On May 31, 2012, the Commission approved, on a pilot basis, the National Market System Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility (the “Plan”). This plan creates a market-wide limit up-limit down mechanism that is intended to address extraordinary market volatility in NMS Stocks, with a planned implementation date of February 4, 2013. Once implemented, the limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility will render the current stock trading pause pilot duplicative and unnecessary. The Exchange filed a rule change proposal to extend the single stock trading pause pilot so that it will now expire on February 4, 2013, when the limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility is to be implemented.

The Exchange, in conjunction with the Exchanges and FINRA, recently filed an amendment to the Plan to change the date of initial operations of the Plan from February


4, 2013 to April 8, 2013. Accordingly, the Exchange is proposing to extend the
expiration of the trading pause pilot to the earlier of the initial date of operations of the
Plan or February 4, 2014 to allow adequate time for the Plan’s implementation. The
Exchange believes that the pilot program has been successful in reducing the negative
impacts of sudden, unanticipated price movements in the securities covered by the pilot.
The Exchange also believes that an additional extension of the pilot is warranted so that it
may continue to apply the circuit breaker to reduce the negative impacts of sudden,
unanticipated price movements until it is replaced by the limit up / limit down
mechanism.

b. Statutory Basis

The statutory basis for the proposed rule change is Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,\(^\text{14}\),
which requires the rules of an exchange 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. The
Exchange believes that the change proposed herein meets these requirements in that it
promotes uniformity across markets concerning decisions to pause trading in a security
when there are significant price movements, which promotes just and equitable principles
of trade and removes impediments to, and perfects the mechanism of, a free and open
market and a national market system. Additionally, extension of the pilot until the earlier
of the initial date of operations of the Plan or February 4, 2014 would allow the pilot to
continue to operate without interruption while the Exchange and the Commission further
assess the effect of the pilot on the marketplace or whether other initiatives should be

adopted in lieu of the current pilot, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest.

4. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition**

The Exchange 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. The proposed changes are being made to extend the operation of the trading pause pilot until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Plan or February 4, 2014 would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Plan, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest. Other competing equity exchanges are subject to the same trading pause requirements specified in the Plan. Thus, the proposed changes will not impose any burden on competition while providing trading pause requirements specified in the Plan.

5. **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.

6. **Extension of Time Period for Commission Action**

The Exchange does not consent to an extension of time.

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) of the Act\(^{15}\) and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)\(^{16}\) thereunder 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. The Exchange has provided the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule.

The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the 30-day pre-operative waiting period contained in Exchange Act Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii).17 The Exchange requests this waiver because it will allow the change to be operative at the expiration of the current pilot program period on February 4, 2013, thus allowing the pilot program to continue, uninterrupted. Because similar rule filings are being proposed by multiple market centers, the Exchange believes that extension of this pilot will maintain transparency and uniformity regarding decisions to pause trading and reduce the negative impacts of sudden, unanticipated price movements in individual securities covered by the pilot. In particular, the Exchange adopted the pilot rule to address the type of sudden price declines that the market experienced on the afternoon of May 6, 2010. Further, the Exchange believes that the waiver of the 30-day pre-operative period will serve to avoid investor confusion likely to result from a temporary period during which the pilot is not in operation. As such, the Exchange believes that implementation of proposal should not be delayed, so that the pilot program will continue uninterrupted.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

11. **Exhibits**

   1. Completed notice of proposed rule change for publication in the *Federal Register*. 
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 February 1, 2013 The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("NASDAQ" or "Exchange"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change**

The Exchange proposes to extend the trading pause pilot in certain individual NMS stocks when the price moves ten percent or more in the preceding five minute period, so that the pilot will now expire on the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014. The Exchange will implement the proposed changes on February 4, 2013.

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

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4120. Trading Halts

(a) Authority to Initiate Trading Halts or Pauses

In circumstances in which Nasdaq deems it necessary to protect investors and the public interest, Nasdaq, pursuant to the procedures set forth in paragraph (c):

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(11) shall, between 9:45 a.m. and 3:35 p.m., or in the case of an early scheduled close, 25 minutes before the close of trading, immediately pause trading for 5 minutes in any Nasdaq-listed security, other than rights and warrants, when the price of such security moves a percentage specified below within a 5-minute period.

(A) The price move shall be 10% or more with respect to securities included in the S&P 500® Index, Russell 1000® Index, and a pilot list of Exchange Traded Products;

(B) The price move shall be 30% or more with respect to all NMS stocks not subject to section (a)(11)(A) of this Rule with a price equal to or greater than $1; and

(C) The price move shall be 50% or more with respect to all NMS stocks not subject to section (a)(11)(A) of this Rule with a price less than $1.

The determination that the price of a stock is equal to or greater than $1 under paragraph (a)(11)(B) above or less than $1 under paragraph (a)(11)(C) above shall be based on the last reported closing price on Nasdaq.

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If a trading pause is triggered under this paragraph, Nasdaq shall immediately notify the single plan processor responsible for consolidation of information for the security pursuant to Rule 603 of Regulation NMS under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

If a primary listing market issues an individual stock trading pause, Nasdaq will pause trading in that security until trading has resumed on the primary listing market or notice has been received from the primary listing market that trading may resume. If
the primary listing market does not reopen within 10 minutes of notification of a trading pause, Nasdaq may resume trading the security.

The provisions of this paragraph shall be in effect during a pilot set to end on the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014[3].

(b) – (c) No change.

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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

extraordinary market volatility in S&P 500 stocks. The rules require the Listing MARKETS to issue five-minute trading pauses for individual securities for which they are the primary Listing Market if the transaction price of the security moves ten percent or more from a price in the preceding five-minute period. The Listing Markets are required to notify the other Exchanges and market participants of the imposition of a trading pause by immediately disseminating a special indicator over the consolidated tape. Under the rules, once the Listing Market issues a trading pause, the other Exchanges are required to pause trading in the security on their markets. On September 10, 2010, the Commission approved the respective rule filings of the Exchanges to expand application of the pilot to the Russell 1000® Index and specified Exchange Traded Products. On December 7, 2010, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the existing pilot program for four months, so that the pilot would expire on April 11, 2011. On March 31, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the pilot period an additional four months, so that the pilot would expire on August 11, 2011 or the date on which a limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, if

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adopted, applies.\(^7\) On June 23, 2011, the Commission approved the expansion of the pilot to all NMS stocks, but with different pause-triggering thresholds.\(^8\) On August 8, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing that removed language from the rule that tied the expiration of the pilot to the adoption of a limit up / limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, and further extended the pilot period, so that the pilot would expire on January 31, 2012.\(^9\) On November 18, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing that excluded rights and warrants from the pilot.\(^10\) On January 23, 2012, the Commission approved an extension of the pilot to July 31, 2012.\(^11\)

On May 31, 2012, the Commission approved, on a pilot basis, the National Market System Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility (the “Plan”).\(^12\) This plan creates a market-wide limit up-limit down mechanism that is intended to address extraordinary market volatility in NMS Stocks, with a planned implementation date of February 4, 2013. Once implemented, the limit up / limit down mechanism to address


extraordinary market volatility will render the current stock trading pause pilot
duplicative and unnecessary. The Exchange filed a rule change proposal to extend the
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amendment to the Plan to change the date of initial operations of the Plan from February
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may continue to apply the circuit breaker to reduce the negative impacts of sudden,
unanticipated price movements until it is replaced by the limit up / limit down
mechanism.

2. **Statutory Basis**

The statutory basis for the proposed rule change is Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,\textsuperscript{14}
which requires the rules of an exchange to promote just and equitable principles of trade,
to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a

\textsuperscript{13} Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67535 (July 30, 2012), 77 FR 46543

\textsuperscript{14} 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).
national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange believes that the change proposed herein meets these requirements in that it promotes uniformity across markets concerning decisions to pause trading in a security when there are significant price movements, which promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediments to, and perfects the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system. Additionally, extension of the pilot until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Plan or February 4, 2014 would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption while the Exchange and the Commission further assess the effect of the pilot on the marketplace or whether other initiatives should be adopted in lieu of the current pilot, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest.

B. **Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition**

The Exchange 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. The proposed changes are being made to extend the operation of the trading pause pilot until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Plan or February 4, 2014 would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Plan, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest. Other competing equity exchanges are subject to the same trading pause requirements specified in the Plan. Thus, the proposed changes will not impose any burden on competition while providing trading pause requirements specified in the Plan.

C. **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.
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)(ii) of the Act and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.

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. The Exchange has provided the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

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Electronic comments:

- Use the Commission’s Internet comment form
  (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or

- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2013-026 on the subject line.

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-2013-026. 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 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal offices 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-2013-026, and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁷

Kevin M. O’Neill
Deputy Secretary