via “open participation.” No firm sample size exists; however, target completion is between 30,000 and 60,000 unique responses over the span of a year.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 7–10 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 7–10 minutes.


Beth F. Cobert,
Acting Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

We Need Information About Your Missing Payment—OPM Form RI 38–31, OMB No. 3206–0187


ACTION: 60-Day Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers the general public and other federal agencies the opportunity to comment on an approved information collection request (ICR), OMB No. 3206–0187; We Need Information About Your Missing Payment, OPM Form RI 38–31. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104–106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until November 28, 2016. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Retirement Services, 1900 E Street NW., Room 2347E, Washington, DC 20415–3500, Attention: Alberta Butler or sent via electronic mail to Alberta.Butler@opm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Retirement Services Publications Team, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 3316–L, Washington, DC 20415, Attention: Cyrus S. Benson, or sent via electronic mail to Cyrus.Benson@opm.gov or faxed to (202) 606–0910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Form RI 38–31 is sent in response to a notification by an individual of the loss or non-receipt of a payment from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund. This form requests the information needed to enable OPM to trace and/or reissue payment. Missing payments may also be reported to OPM by a telephone call. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Analysis:

Title: We Need Information About Your Missing Payment.

OMB: 3206–0187.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: 8,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 17 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 1,333 hours.


Beth F. Cobert,
Acting Director.

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SEcurities AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Amend Nasdaq Rules 4702 and 4703

September 22, 2016.

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 September 13, 2016, 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 and II 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 Nasdaq Rules 4702, Order Types, and 4703, Order Attributes, to change the way in which Post Only Orders interact with resting Non-Display orders and preventing the execution of midpoint pegged orders during a crossed market.

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

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 offers various Order Types 3 and Order Attributes 4 to help members trade effectively on behalf of investors and themselves. This proposal would modify the manner in which two of those order types, Non-Display and


3 See Exchange Rule 4702. The Exchange also proposes a minor technical correction to add the word “price” after the word “displayed” in the second line of the second paragraph of Rule 4702(b)(4)(B).

4 See Exchange Rule 4703.
Post Only, interact within Nasdaq’s trading system. Nasdaq’s Non-Display Orders, described in Rule 4702(b)(3), help members minimize market impact when trading in larger-than-average size. For example, institutions often use Non-Display Orders that use pegging at the midpoint (Midpoint Peg Order) of the National Best Bid and Offer (NBBO) to reduce market impact because a midprice execution does not indicate a price movement direction, as opposed to buying at the offer or selling at the bid (sometimes referred to as “crossing the spread”) which may publicly indicate the direction of the stock price.

The Exchange also offers Post Only Orders, described in Rule 4702(b)(4), which members, often market makers, use to rest liquidity on Nasdaq’s Order Book. Resting displayed liquidity is essential to price formation and order interaction, two indicators of healthy and orderly markets. Nasdaq introduced Post Only Orders to enable and encourage behavior. A Post Only buy (sell) order entered at a price that is at least $0.01 higher (lower) than a resting sell (buy) order will execute, thereby providing price improvement that exceeds the foregone rebate for liquidity provision and fee for removing liquidity. If a Post Only buy (sell) order is entered at a price equal to a resting sell (buy) order, the buy (sell) order is repriced one minimum price increment (MPV), generally $0.01, rather than being re-priced as it is today. This allows the Post Only Order to lock the resting Non-Display Order. Both the displayed Post Only order and the resting Non-Display order will remain available for execution at the locking price. In this way, neither order is disadvantaged; the Exchange Bid/Offer spread is tightened; and no signal is sent to the member that entered the Post Only Order. In this scenario, efficacy is maintained or enhanced for both the Post Only Order user and the Non-Display Order user compared to today. For example, under the current rules if a Participant entered a Post-Only Order to buy at $11.02, the Best Offer would be $11.04, and there was a Non-Display Order to sell $11.02, the Best Offer would be $11.02 and the Post-Only Order would be matched and displayed at $11.01. Using the above scenario, the Exchange is proposing to instead rank and display the Post-Only Order to buy at its limit price of $11.02.

Second, the Exchange also proposes to modify processing when a Post Only Order interacts with a Non-Display Order that is a Midpoint Peg Order. Specifically, when a Post Only buy (sell) order is priced higher (lower) than a resting Midpoint Peg Order but where the difference is less than $0.01, the Post Only Order will nonetheless be posted at its limit price. This proposal benefits investors and members because it results in a tighter Bid/Offer spread. Moreover, because the Post Only order is not re-priced relative to the resting Midpoint Peg order, as it is today, there is no information leakage. Additionally, the member entering the Midpoint Peg Order benefits because the new midpoint based on the new NBBO would now be a better price for the seller. Midpoint Peg orders are either cancelled or re-adjusted based on NBBO changes depending on the protocol used by the member to enter the Midpoint Peg Order. For example, under the current rules if the NBBO is $10.10 × $10.12 and a Participant enters a Midpoint Peg Order (which, as stated above, is Non-Displayed) to buy 200 shares with a limit price of $10.15, the Midpoint Peg Order would post the book to $10.135. If thereafter a Post-Only Order to sell 200 shares at $10.13 is entered, the Post-Only Order would post and display at $10.14. Under the proposed change and using the example above, the incoming Post-Only Order to sell 200 shares at $10.13 would post and display at $10.13 and the Midpoint Peg Order would either be adjusted to the new midpoint ($10.125 [sic]) based on the change in the NBBO due to the Post-Only Order being displayed (the NBBO is now $10.11 × $10.13 [sic] due to the Post-Only Order posting and displaying at $10.14 [sic] or cancelled, depending on the protocol used to enter the Midpoint Peg order.

In addition, the Exchange proposes to discontinue executing midprice pegged orders when the NBBO is crossed. Today, the Exchange executes midprice pegged orders when the NBBO is locked by executing at the locking price and when the NBBO is crossed by executing at the midpoint of the crossed price. Based upon feedback from members and the practice of other exchanges, the Exchange has determined that its current practice of executing midprice pegged orders during such crossed markets produces sub-optimal execution prices for members and investors. The midpoint of a crossed market is not a clear and accurate indication of a valid price, nor is it indicative of a fair and orderly market. The better result is to simply not execute midprice orders during crossed markets. To accomplish this, the Exchange will program the trading system to respond to the creation of a crossed NBBO by cancelling existing midprice pegged orders and rejecting the entry of new midprice pegged orders.

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5 See Exchange Rule 4702(b)(3)(C).
6 See Post Only order Factsheet: http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/content/ProductsServicesTrading/postonly_factsheet.pdf.
7 Securities priced at or above $1 are quoted in $0.01 increments, below $1, they can be quoted in $0.0001 increments. Post Only behavior is slightly different below $1 because the fees and economics involved in the execution are distinct from those above $1. See Exchange Rule 4702(b)(4)(A). Fees for securities priced at or above $1 are assessed on a per-share basis; fees for securities priced below $1 are assessed as a percentage of transaction value. Compare Rules 7018(a) and (b). In both cases, the Exchange system is programmed to analyze the price improvement offered and to execute only where permitted under its rules.
8 If a Post-Only Order is received at a price that would lock or cross a Protected Quotations [sic], its price will be adjusted in the same manner as a Price to Comply order (if it is not Attributable) or a Price to Display order (if it is Attributable). See Rules 4702(b)(1) and 4702(b)(4)(A).
9 The Exchange believes that this condition is consistent with the Regulation NMS prohibition on locked and crossed markets because the Exchange will not be displaying a locked market.
10 The term “Best Offer” is defined in Exchange Rule 4701(i).
midpoint pegged orders.\textsuperscript{13} After such order cancellation or rejection, members can resubmit their orders at their discretion without limitation. Accordingly, the Exchange proposes to modify the rule language describing the processing of Orders with the midpoint pegging attribute as well as Midpoint Peg Post Only Orders, which are described in Rules 4703(d) and 4702(b)(5).

As set forth below, the Exchange believes the proposed changes will benefit investors and members by addressing certain market inefficiencies that exist on Nasdaq, and by improving Nasdaq’s competitive position against other exchanges that already offer similar processing of resting and non-displayed orders.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,\textsuperscript{14} in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,\textsuperscript{15} in particular, 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 in several ways.

First, the proposed changes will benefit investors and members by tightening bid/offer spreads, thereby enhancing execution quality on the Exchange. Second, members entering Post Only Orders will be able to execute liquidity-providing strategies more efficiently. Third, the proposed changes will reduce the signaling created today by the interaction of Post Only and Non-Display Order, and thereby minimize the market impact of larger orders. Fourth, the cancellation or rejection of midpoint pegged orders when the NBBO is crossed will avoid mispriced executions and result in higher overall execution quality for members.

The Exchange believes the proposed changes have no detrimental impact on any member or class of members, or on users of the Exchange’s Non-Display Order types or on users of other order types offered by the Exchange. First, the use of Exchange Order types and attributes is voluntary, in that no member is required to use any specific Order type or attribute or even to use any Exchange Order type or attribute or any Exchange functionality at all. If an Exchange member believes for any reason that the proposed rule change will be detrimental, that perceived detriment can be avoided by choosing not to enter or interact with the Order types modified by this proposed rule change. Second, the Exchange believes that the changes proposed herein will not result in any diminution of market quality (execution price, effective spread, fill rate, etc.) for any member entering or interacting with one of the Order types modified by this proposed rule change.

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. To the contrary, the Exchange believes the proposed rule changes are pro-competitive for several reasons. First, the proposed functionality is designed to compete with exchanges, including BATS and NYSE Arca, which already offer order types that behave similarly to how the Exchanges proposes Post Only and Non-Display Orders behave in the future. Second, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will make the Exchange a more competitive execution venue by creating tighter bid/offer spreads and by enhancing execution quality (i.e., achieving increased price improvement, reducing effective spreads, and increasing execution fill rates). Third, the Exchange proposes to offer the same functionality to all members, thereby eliminating potential competitive burden or differential treatment.

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

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register or within such longer period up to 90 days (i) as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve or disapprove the proposed rule change, or

(B) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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 email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–NASDAQ–2016–111 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NASDAQ–2016–111. 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 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 Web site 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–2016–111 and should be submitted on or before October 19, 2016.

\textsuperscript{13}\textsuperscript{14} Similarly, in the absence of an NBBO, the Exchange will either reject the entry of new Midpoint Peg Post Only Orders or cancel any such existing orders before they execute. The Exchange is proposing to add words “cancelled or” prior to “rejected” in Rule 4702(b)(5)(A).

\textsuperscript{15}\textsuperscript{15} 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

\textsuperscript{16}\textsuperscript{16} 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).
For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.16

Brent J. Fields, Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 500–1]

Order of Suspension of Trading

September 26, 2016.


It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that there is a lack of current and accurate public information concerning the securities of each of the issuers detailed below because questions have arisen as to their operating status, if any. Each of the issuers below is quoted on OTC Link operated by OTC Markets Group, Inc. The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission has independently endeavored to determine whether any of the issuers below are operating. Each of the issuers below either confirmed they were now private companies or no longer in operation, or failed to respond to the staff’s inquiry about their operating status, did not have an operational address, or failed to provide their registered agent with an operational address. The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission also determined that none of the issuers below has filed any information with OTC Markets Group, Inc. or the Securities and Exchange Commission for the past two years.

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1 = The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission attempted to contact the issuer and either the staff did not receive a response to its letter, the letters were returned as undeliverable, or the registered agent responded that they had no forwarding address for the issuer.

2 = The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission was able to contact the issuer, which informed the staff that it was now a private company.

3 = The staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission was able to contact the issuer, which informed the staff that it was no longer operating.