



SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**Form 19b-4 Information (required)**

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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 (required)**

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

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

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Exhibit Sent As Paper Document

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**

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Exhibit Sent As Paper Document

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**

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

**Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text**

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

**Partial Amendment**

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

### 1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) EDGX Exchange, Inc. (“Exchange” or “EDGX”) proposes to amend its fees and rebates applicable to Members<sup>1</sup> of the Exchange pursuant to EDGX Rule 15.1(a) and (c). Text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

(b) Inapplicable.

(c) Inapplicable.

### 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 April 27, 2010. Exchange staff will advise the Exchange Board of Directors of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change. Therefore, the Exchange's internal procedures with respect to the proposed change are complete.

The person on the Exchange staff prepared to respond to questions and comments on the proposed rule change is:

Thomas N. McManus  
Chief Regulatory Officer  
EDGX Exchange, Inc.  
201-418-3471

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

#### (a) Purpose

The Exchange proposes to discontinue the Message Efficiency Incentive Program (the “MEIP”)<sup>2</sup> and to delete the reference to the MEIP in Footnote c, which is appended to the rebate for adding liquidity in securities at or above \$1.00 on the Exchange’s fee schedule. Under the MEIP, Members received standard rebates and tier rebates as provided on the Exchange’s fee schedule based upon the Member’s average inbound message-to-trade ratio for that month being equal to or less than 100:1. Members could receive the maximum rebate of \$0.0003 per share if their average inbound message-to-trade ratio, measured monthly, was equal to or less than 100:1, subject to applicable rebate tiers. Where a Member exceeded the 100:1 message-to-trade ratio, measured monthly, the Exchange reduced its rebates by \$0.0001 per share, without regard to the rebate tier for which the Member qualified that month. In addition, under the MEIP, the

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<sup>1</sup> As defined in Exchange Rule 1.5(n).

<sup>2</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67159 (June 7, 2012), 77 FR 35439 (June 13, 2012) (SR-EDGX-2012-18) (where the Exchange introduced the MEIP).

following Members were exempt from earning the rebate: (i) all Members that sent less than 1,000,000 messages per day to the Exchange; and (ii) registered Market Makers provided that they were registered in at least 100 securities on the Exchange over the course of a month and met their continuous, two-sided quoting obligations under Exchange Rule 11.21(d) on at least ten (10) consecutive trading days in the month. The Exchange proposes to discontinue the \$0.0001 per share reduction in standard rebates and tier rebates that the Exchange applied to Members that exceeded an average inbound message-to-trade ratio of 100:1, measured monthly.

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its fee schedule on September 1, 2012.

(b) Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”),<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)<sup>4</sup> in particular, as it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its Members and other persons using its facilities.

In its original filing introducing the MEIP, the Exchange stated that it was establishing the MEIP in order to promote a more efficient marketplace, to encourage liquidity provision and to enhance the trading experience of Members on an ongoing basis.<sup>5</sup> Having implemented the MEIP for the period since its launch, the Exchange has not seen these benefits, and thus believes that discontinuation of the MEIP is appropriate at this time. Specifically, the Exchange believes that, by not adequately isolating purely inefficient message flow, the MEIP may have unintentionally captured, and therefore disincentivized, order behavior that benefits market liquidity. For example, the MEIP potentially discourages market participants from posting multiple levels of liquidity in less actively traded securities. Thus, while the Exchange’s intention was to encourage efficiency and consequently attract more liquidity, the MEIP appears to have resulted in the opposite effect.

The Exchange believes its proposal to discontinue the MEIP is equitable because it allows Members the freedom to manage their order and message flow consistently with their business models. In addition, the Exchange believes its proposal is reasonable because other exchanges, *e.g.*, BATS Exchange, Inc., maintain pricing models that are designed to incentivize customers to increase liquidity, without any restriction on order activity that applied under the MEIP. By discontinuing the MEIP, the Exchange believes that it will remain competitive with other exchanges that do not offer reductions in standard rebates and/or tier rebates based on customers’ message efficiency. The Exchange believes that the proposal is equitable and non-discriminatory in that it applies uniformly to all Members.

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<sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67159 (June 7, 2012), 77 FR 35439 (June 13, 2012) (SR-EDGX-2012-18).

The Exchange notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily direct order flow to competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive. The proposed rule change reflects a competitive pricing structure designed to encourage market participants to direct their order flow to the Exchange, or at least not to discourage the direction of order flow to the Exchange. The Exchange believes the fees and credits remain competitive with those charged by other venues and therefore continue to be reasonable and equitably allocated to Members.

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

This proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

5. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants or Others

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from Members or other interested parties.

6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

Not applicable.

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

(a) This proposed rule change is filed pursuant to paragraph (A) of Section 19(b)(3) of the Act.

(b) This proposed rule change establishes dues, fees or other charges among its members and, as such, may take effect upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Exchange Act Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii)<sup>6</sup> and paragraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>7</sup>

(c) Inapplicable.

(d) Inapplicable.

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

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<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

This proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

9. Exhibits

Exhibit 1 – Form of Notice of Proposed Rule Change for Publication in the Federal Register.

Exhibit 5 – Text of the Proposed Rule Change.

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EDGX-2012-40)

[Date]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Amendments to the EDGX Exchange, Inc. Fee Schedule

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on August 31, 2012 the EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or the "EDGX") 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 self-regulatory organization. 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 its fees and rebates applicable to Members<sup>3</sup> of the Exchange pursuant to EDGX Rule 15.1(a) and (c). All of the changes described herein are applicable to EDGX Members. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Internet website at <http://www.directedge.com>, at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Public Reference Room of the Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>3</sup> As defined in Exchange Rule 1.5(n).

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 self-regulatory organization 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 self-regulatory organization 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 the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

Purpose

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The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its fee schedule on September 1, 2012.

#### Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)<sup>6</sup> in particular, as it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its Members and other persons using its facilities.

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those charged by other venues and therefore continue to be reasonable and equitably allocated to Members.

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

This proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from Members or other interested parties.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) of the Act<sup>8</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)<sup>9</sup> thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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.

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:

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<sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an E-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File No. SR-EDGX-2012-40 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EDGX-2012-40. 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such 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-EDGX-2012-40 and should be submitted by [insert date 21 days from the date of publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>10</sup>

Secretary

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<sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**EXHIBIT 5**

Additions underlined

Deletions [bracketed]

**EDGX Exchange Fee Schedule – Effective September 1, 2012**

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**Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per Share for Tape A, B, & C Securities<sup>1,a,b,d</sup>:**

Rebates indicated by parentheses ( )

Footnotes provide further explanatory text or, where annotated to flags, indicate variable rate changes, provided the conditions in the footnote are met

Category	Adding Liquidity	Removing Liquidity	Routing Liquidity
Securities at or above \$1.00	<u>\$(0.0023)<sup>1,a,13[, c]</sup></u>	<u>\$0.0029<sup>1,12</sup></u>	<u>\$0.0029</u>
Securities below \$1.00	<u>\$(0.00003)</u>	<u>0.10% of Dollar Value</u>	<u>0.30% of Dollar Value<sup>3,a</sup></u>

**Liquidity Flags and Associated Fees:**

*Unless otherwise noted, the following rebates and fees apply to orders in securities priced \$1 and over.*

Flag	Description	Fee/(Rebate)
A	Routed to NASDAQ, adds liquidity	(0.0020)
B <sup>1,a</sup>	Add liquidity to EDGX book (Tape B)	(0.0023)
C <sup>3,a</sup>	Routed to BX, removes liquidity	(0.0005)
D <sup>3,a</sup>	Routed or re-routed to NYSE, removes liquidity	0.0023

<b>F</b>	<b>Routed to NYSE, adds liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0015)</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>Routed to NYSE Arca (Tapes A or C), removes liquidity</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>I</b>	<b>Routed to EDGA</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>J<sup>3,a</sup></b>	<b>Routed to NASDAQ, removes liquidity</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>Routed to PSX using ROUC or ROUE routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0027</b>
<b>L<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Routed to NASDAQ using INET routing strategy, removes liquidity (Tapes A or C)</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>M<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Add liquidity on LavaFlow</b>	<b>(0.0024)</b>
<b>N<sup>1,12</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity from EDGX book (Tape C)</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>O<sup>5,a</sup></b>	<b>Routed to primary exchange's opening cross</b>	<b>0.0005</b>
<b>Q</b>	<b>Routed using ROUC routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0020</b>
<b>R</b>	<b>Re-routed by exchange</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>S</b>	<b>Directed ISO order</b>	<b>0.0032</b>
<b>T</b>	<b>Routed using ROUD/ROUE routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0012</b>
<b>U<sup>6,a</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity from LavaFlow</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>V<sup>1,a</sup></b>	<b>Add liquidity to EDGX book (Tape A)</b>	<b>(0.0023)</b>
<b>W<sup>1,12</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity from EDGX book (Tape A)</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>X</b>	<b>Routed</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>Y<sup>1,a</sup></b>	<b>Add liquidity to EDGX book (Tape C)</b>	<b>(0.0023)</b>
<b>Z</b>	<b>Routed using ROUZ routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0010</b>
<b>2<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Routed to NASDAQ using INET routing strategy, removes liquidity (Tape B)</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>3<sup>1,a</sup></b>	<b>Add liquidity – pre &amp; post market (Tapes A or C)</b>	<b>(0.0023)</b>
<b>4<sup>1,a</sup></b>	<b>Add liquidity – pre &amp; post market (Tape B)</b>	<b>(0.0023)</b>
<b>5<sup>11</sup></b>	<b>Internalization – pre &amp; post market, per side</b>	<b>0.00035</b>
<b>6<sup>1,12</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity – pre &amp; post market (All Tapes)</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Routed – pre &amp; post market</b>	<b>0.0030</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Routed to NYSE Amex, adds liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0015)</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Routed to NYSE Arca, adds liquidity (Tapes A or C)</b>	<b>(0.0021)</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Routed to NYSE Arca, adds liquidity (Tape B)</b>	<b>(0.0022)</b>

<b>AA</b>	<b>Midpoint Match Cross (same MPID)</b>	<b>FREE</b>
<b>BB<sup>1,12</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity from EDGX book (Tape B)</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>BY<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>Routed to BATS BYX Exchange, removes liquidity (using routing strategies ROUC, ROUE or ROBY)</b>	<b>(0.0002)</b>
<b>CL<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>Routed to listing market closing process, except for NYSE Arca &amp; BATS BZX</b>	<b>0.0010</b>
<b>EA<sup>11</sup></b>	<b>Internalization, adds liquidity</b>	<b>0.00035</b>
<b>ER<sup>11</sup></b>	<b>Internalization, removes liquidity</b>	<b>0.00035</b>
<b>HA</b>	<b>Non-Displayed Orders that add liquidity (not including Midpoint Match orders)</b>	<b>(0.0015)</b>
<b>MM</b>	<b>Add liquidity to Midpoint Match (using Midpoint Match order type)</b>	<b>0.0012</b>
<b>MT</b>	<b>Remove liquidity from Midpoint Match (using Midpoint Match order type)</b>	<b>0.0012</b>
<b>OO</b>	<b>Direct Edge Opening</b>	<b>0.0010</b>
<b>PI<sup>1,12</sup></b>	<b>Remove liquidity from EDGX book against Midpoint Match</b>	<b>0.0029</b>
<b>PR</b>	<b>Remove liquidity from EDGX book using ROUQ routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0027</b>
<b>RA</b>	<b>Routed to EDGA, adds liquidity</b>	<b>0.0006</b>
<b>RB</b>	<b>Routed to BX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>0.0018</b>
<b>RC</b>	<b>Routed to NSX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0026)</b>
<b>RQ</b>	<b>Routed using ROUQ routing strategy</b>	<b>0.0027</b>
<b>RR</b>	<b>Routed to EDGA using routing strategies IOCX or IOCT, removes liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0004)</b>
<b>RS</b>	<b>Routed to PSX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0016)</b>
<b>RW</b>	<b>Routed to CBSX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>0.0017</b>
<b>RY</b>	<b>Routed to BATS BYX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>0.0003</b>
<b>RZ</b>	<b>Routed to BATS BZX, adds liquidity</b>	<b>(0.0025)</b>
<b>SW<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>Routed using SWPA/SWPB/SWPC routing strategies (except for removal of liquidity from NYSE)</b>	<b>0.0031</b>

<sup>1</sup> Members can qualify for the Mega Tier and be provided a rebate of \$0.0035 per share for all liquidity posted on EDGX if they add or route at least 2,000,000 shares of average daily volume (“ADV”) prior to 9:30 AM or after 4:00 PM (includes all flags except 6) AND add a minimum of 35,000,000 shares of ADV on EDGX in total, including during both market hours and pre and post-trading hours. Alternatively, Members can also qualify for the Mega Tier, but will be provided a rebate of \$0.0032 per share for all liquidity



posted on EDGX if they add or route at least 4,000,000 shares of ADV prior to 9:30 AM or after 4:00 PM (includes all flags except 6) and add a minimum of .20% of the Total Consolidated Volume (“TCV”) on a daily basis measured monthly, including during both market hours and pre and post-trading hours. In addition, for meeting the aforementioned criteria, Members will pay a reduced rate for removing liquidity of \$0.0029 for Flags N, W, 6, BB and PI. Where a Member does not meet the criteria for the Mega Tier, then a removal rate of \$0.0030 per share applies.

Members can qualify for the Market Depth Tier and receive a rebate of \$0.0033 per share for displayed liquidity added on EDGX if they post greater than or equal to 0.50% of the TCV in ADV on EDGX in total, where at least 2 million shares are Non-Displayed Orders that yield Flag HA.

Members can also qualify for the Mega Tier and be provided a \$0.0032 rebate per share for liquidity added on EDGX in either of two ways: (i) if the Member on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts 0.75% of the TCV in ADV; or (ii) if the Member on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts 0.12% of the TCV in ADV more than their February 2011 ADV added to EDGX. TCV is defined as volume reported by all exchanges and trade reporting facilities to the consolidated transaction reporting plans for Tapes A, B and C securities for the month prior to the month in which the fees are calculated.

Members can qualify for the Ultra Tier and be provided a \$0.0031 rebate per share for liquidity added on EDGX if the Member on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts 0.50% of TCV in ADV to EDGX.

Members can qualify for the Super Tier and be provided a \$0.0028 rebate per share for liquidity added on EDGX if the Member on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts 10,000,000 shares or more of ADV to EDGX.

Members that post 0.065% of the TCV in ADV more than their February 2011 ADV added to EDGX will qualify for a \$0.0028 per share rebate (unless they otherwise qualify for a higher rebate).

Any Member meeting the following criteria: (i) adding 10,000,000 shares or more of ADV of liquidity to EDGX, (ii) where such added liquidity on EDGX is at least 5,000,000 shares of ADV greater than the previous calendar month; and (iii) but for the liquidity added on EDGX, such Member would have qualified for a better rebate with respect to liquidity added on another exchange or ECN that the Member previously qualified for in the three calendar months prior to meeting the above-described criteria in (i) and (ii), shall be reimbursed the difference between the rebate received and the rebate potentially received, so long as source documentation evidencing the above is provided to the Exchange within fifteen (15) calendar days from the end of the relevant month. A Member can only receive reimbursement with respect to two consecutive calendar months. With respect to the second calendar month’s

reimbursement, the relevant period in determining whether criteria (iii) is satisfied is the period three calendar months prior to the first of the two consecutive calendar months the Member meets the above-described criteria in (i) and (ii).

<sup>2</sup> Intentionally omitted.

<sup>3</sup> Stocks priced below \$1.00 on the NYSE are charged \$0.0023 per share when removing liquidity. Stocks priced below \$1.00 are charged 0.10% of the dollar value of the transaction when routed to BX and removing liquidity in Tapes A, B, & C securities. Stocks priced below \$1.00 are charged 0.30% of the dollar value of the transaction when routed to NASDAQ and removing liquidity in securities on all Tapes.

<sup>4</sup> Intentionally omitted.

<sup>5</sup> Capped at \$10,000 per month per Member.

<sup>6</sup> If Member posts an average of 100,000 shares or more per day using strategy ROLF (yielding Flag M), then said Member's fee when removing liquidity from LavaFlow decreases to \$0.0023 per share (yielding Flag U).

<sup>7</sup> Intentionally omitted.

<sup>8</sup> Flag D is assigned and a fee of \$0.0023 per share is assessed if either an SWPA, SWPB, or SWPC routing strategy removes liquidity from NYSE.

<sup>9</sup> A Flag "O" will be yielded and a fee of \$0.0005 per share will be assessed if an order is routed to NYSE Arca & BATS BZX's closing processes.

<sup>10</sup> Stocks priced below \$1.00 are charged \$0.0010 per share.

<sup>11</sup> If a Member posts 10,000,000 shares or more of ADV to EDGX, then the Member's rate for internalization (Flags 5, EA or ER) decreases to \$0.0001 per share per side.

For Flags EA or ER, if a Member internalizes more than 4% of their ADV on EDGX (added, removed, and routed liquidity) and the Member, at a minimum, meets the criteria for the Mega Tier rebate of \$0.0032 per share in footnote 1, above, then the Member receives the applicable rebate in footnote 1 for adding liquidity, or is charged the applicable removal rate in footnote 1 or 12.

<sup>12</sup> A removal rate of \$0.0029 per share applies where an MPID's add liquidity ratio is equal to or greater than 10%. The add liquidity ratio is defined as "added" flags/("added" flags + "removal" flags) x 100, where added flags are defined as B, HA, V, Y, MM, 3, or 4 and removal flags are defined as BB, MT, N, W, PI, PR, or 6. The removal rate of \$0.0029 per share applies to single MPIDs only as share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates cannot be aggregated across multiple MPIDs on a prospective basis. Where a Member does not meet the add liquidity ratio of at least 10%, then a removal rate of \$0.0030 per share applies.

<sup>13</sup> Members can qualify for an Investor Tier and be provided a rebate of \$0.0030 per share if they meet the following criteria: (i) on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts an ADV of at least 8 million shares on EDGX where added flags are defined as B, HA, V, Y, MM, 3, or 4; (ii) have an "added liquidity" to "removed liquidity" ratio of at least 60% where added flags are defined as B, HA, V, Y, MM, 3, or 4 and removal flags are defined as BB, MT, N, W, PI, PR, or 6; and (iii) have a message-to-trade ratio of less than 6:1.

<sup>a</sup> Upon a Member's request, EDGX will aggregate share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates on a prospective basis.

<sup>b</sup> Trading activity on days when the market closes early does not count toward volume tiers.

<sup>c</sup> Reserved. [Receipt of the maximum rebate for which a Member is eligible depends upon an average inbound message-to-trade ratio being equal to or less than 100:1, measured monthly, where the message-to-trade ratio equals total messages (orders, cancels, and cancel/replaces) divided by executions. The Exchange counts all fills against an order as one trade for purposes of executions. Where a Member exceeds the 100:1 message-to-trade ratio, measured monthly, the Exchange will reduce its rebates by \$0.0001 per share, without regard to the rebate tier for which the Member qualifies.]

[The following Members are exempt from this reduction in rebate: (i) All Members that send less than 1,000,000 messages/day to the Exchange; and (ii) Registered Market Makers provided that they are registered in at least 100 securities over the course of a month and are meeting their continuous, two-sided quoting obligations under Rule 11.21(d) on at least 10 consecutive trading days in the month. With respect to (ii) above, the Exchange notes that all MPIDs that are wholly-owned affiliates of the Member are exempt from MEIP as long as one MPID satisfies the above criteria for an exemption from the reduction in rebate.]

[The Exchange may exclude one or more days of data for purposes of calculating the message-to-trade ratio for a Member if the Exchange determines, in its sole discretion, that one or more Members or the Exchange was experiencing a bona fide system problem.]

<sup>d</sup> A charge of 1% per month on the past due portion of the balance will be assessed on a Member's account that is past due. This fee will begin to accrue on a daily basis for items not paid within the 30 day payment terms until the item is paid in full. Late fees incurred will be included as line items on subsequent invoices.

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