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#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 For complete Form 19b-4 instructions please refer to the EFFS website. The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a Form 19b-4 Information \* clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal Remove 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 by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Add Remove View 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** The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, 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 or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies 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, security-based swap submission, or advance notice being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3) Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such Transcripts, Other Communications documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G. Remove View Add Exhibit Sent As Paper Document П 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 Add Remove View 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 Add View Remove of the proposed rule change. If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy **Partial Amendment** 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) Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act" or "Exchange Act"), and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, EDGA Exchange, Inc. ("EDGA" or the "Exchange") proposes to amend its fees and rebates applicable to Members of the Exchange pursuant to EDGA Rule 15.1(a) and (c) ("Fee Schedule") to: (i) decrease the rebate for orders yielding Flag A; and (ii) increase the rebate for orders yielding Flag C. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.
  - (b) Inapplicable.
  - (c) Inapplicable.

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

The Exchange submits the proposed rule change pursuant to authority delegated by the Board of Directors of the Exchange on April 27, 2010. Exchange staff will advise the Exchange's Board of Directors of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change and, 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 EDGA Exchange 201-418-3471

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>quot;Member" is defined as "any registered broker or dealer, or any person associated with a registered broker or dealer, that has been admitted to membership in the Exchange. A Member will have the status of a "Member" of the Exchange as that term is defined in Section 3(a)(3) of the Act." See Exchange Rule 1.5(n).

The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to: (i) decrease the rebate for orders yielding Flag A; and (ii) increase the rebate for orders yielding Flag C.

#### Flag A

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently provides a rebate of \$0.0020 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A, which routes to the NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") and adds liquidity. The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to decrease this rebate to \$0.0015 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A. The proposed change represents a pass through of the rate that Direct Edge ECN LLC (d/b/a DE Route) ("DE Route"), the Exchange's affiliated routing broker-dealer, is rebated for routing orders in Tape C securities to Nasdaq when it does not qualify for a volume tiered rebate. When DE Route routes to Nasdaq, it is rebated a standard rate of \$0.0015 per share for Tape C securities. DE Route will pass through this rate on Nasdaq to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, will pass through this rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to Nasdaq's September 2013 fee change where Nasdaq decreased the rebate it provides its customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of \$0.0020 per share to a rebate of \$0.0015 per share for orders in Tape C securities that are routed to Nasdaq.

# Flag C

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently provides a rebate of \$0.0010 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C, which routes to Nasdaq OMX BX, Inc. ("BX"). The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to increase this rebate to \$0.0011 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C. The proposed change represents a pass through of the rate that DE Route is rebated when it achieves a volume tiered rebate on BX by routing orders to BX. When DE Route routes to BX, it is rebated a volume tiered rate of \$0.0011 per share. DE Route will pass through this rate on BX to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, will pass through this rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to BX's September 2013 fee change where BX increased the rebate it provides its

The Exchange notes that to the extent DE Route does or does not achieve any volume tiered discount on Nasdaq, its rate for Flag A will not change. The Exchange further notes that, due to billing system limitations that do not allow for separate rates by tape, it will pass through the lesser rebate of \$0.0015 per share for all Tapes A, B & C securities.

See Nasdaq, Price List – Trading Connectivity, http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=PriceListTrading2#rebates (offering a standard, non-tiered rebate of \$0.0015 per share for Tape C Securities). See also File No. SR-NASDAQ-2013-114.

The Exchange notes that to the extent DE Route does or does not achieve any volume tiered increased rebate on BX, its rate for Flag C will not change.

customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of 0.0010 per share to a rebate of 0.0011 per share for orders that are routed to BX.

#### <u>Implementation Date</u>

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its Fee Schedule on September 3, 2013.

### (b) Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act, <sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4), <sup>9</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.

#### Flag A

The Exchange believes that its proposal to decrease the pass through rebate for Members' orders that yield Flag A from \$0.0020 to \$0.0015 per share represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among Members and other persons using its facilities because the Exchange does not levy additional fees or offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to Nasdaq through DE Route. Prior to Nasdaq's September 2013 fee change, Nasdaq provided DE Route a rebate of \$0.0020 per share for orders in all tapes yielding Flag A, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In September 2013, Nasdaq decreased the standard rebate it provides its customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of \$0.0020 per share to a rebate of \$0.0015 per share for orders that are routed to Nasdaq in Tape C securities. Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed change in Flag A from a rebate of \$0.0020 per share to a rebate of \$0.0015 per share is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on Nasdaq. In addition, the proposal allows the Exchange to continue to charge its Members a pass-through rate for orders that are routed to Nasdaq. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. Lastly, the

See BX, BX Pricing List – Trading & Connectivity, http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=bx\_pricing (offering a rebate to remove liquidity of \$0.0011 per share for MPIDs that add an average of 25,000 but less than 1 million shares per day). See also File No. SR-BX-2013-051.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

Nasdaq, Price List – Trading Connectivity, http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=PriceListTrading2#rebates (offering a standard, non-tiered rebate of \$0.0015 per share for Tape C Securities). See also File No. SR-NASDAQ-2013-114.

Exchange also believes that the proposed amendment is non-discriminatory because it applies uniformly to all Members.

# Flag C

The Exchange believes that its proposal to decrease the pass through rebate for Members' orders that yield Flag C from \$0.0010 to \$0.0011 per share represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among Members and other persons using its facilities because the Exchange does not levy additional fees or offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to BX through DE Route. Prior to BX's September 2013 fee change, BX provided DE Route a rebate of \$0.0010 per share for orders yielding Flag C, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In September 2013, BX increased the rebate it provides its customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of \$0.0010 per share to a rebate of \$0.0011 per share for orders that are routed to BX and qualify for a volume tiered rebate. Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed change in Flag C from a rebate of \$0.0010 per share to a rebate of \$0.0011 per share is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on BX. In addition, the proposal allows the Exchange to continue to charge its Members a pass-through rate for orders that are routed to BX. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. Lastly, the Exchange also believes that the proposed amendment is non-discriminatory because it applies uniformly to all Members.

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

These proposed rule changes do not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange does not believe that any of these changes represent a significant departure from previous pricing offered by the Exchange or pricing offered by the Exchange's competitors. Additionally, Members may opt to disfavor EDGA's pricing if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. Accordingly, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed changes will impair the ability of Members or competing venues to maintain their competitive standing in the financial markets.

#### Flag A

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a rebate of \$0.0015 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A would increase intermarket competition because it offers customers an alternative means to route to Nasdaq for the same price as entering orders in Tape C securities on Nasdaq directly. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

#### Flag C

See BX, BX Pricing List – Trading & Connectivity, <a href="http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=bx\_pricing">http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=bx\_pricing</a> (offering a rebate to remove liquidity of \$0.0011 per share for MPIDs that add an average of 25,000 but less than 1 million shares per day). See also File No. SR-BX-2013-051.

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a rebate of \$0.0011 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C would increase intermarket competition because it offers customers an alternative means to route to BX for the same price as entering orders on BX directly, provided those orders would have qualified for a volume based increased rebate. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change</u> 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. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)</u>
- (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 Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and paragraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>13</sup>
  - (c) Inapplicable.
  - (d) Inapplicable.
- 8. <u>Proposed Rule change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the</u> Commission

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

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

Not applicable.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

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

Not applicable.

# 11. Exhibits

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

Exhibit 5 – Text of the Proposed Rule Change.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EDGA-2013-27)

[Date]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGA Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend the EDGA 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 September 3, 2013, EDGA Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "EDGA") 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend its fees and rebates applicable to Members<sup>3</sup> of the Exchange pursuant to EDGA Rule 15.1(a) and (c) ("Fee Schedule") to: (i) decrease the rebate for orders yielding Flag A; and (ii) increase the rebate for orders yielding Flag C. All of the changes described herein are applicable to EDGA Members. The text of

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

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

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the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Internet website at <a href="https://www.directedge.com">www.directedge.com</a>, at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Public Reference Room of the Commission.

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

# 1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to: (i) decrease the rebate for orders yielding Flag A; and (ii) increase the rebate for orders yielding Flag C.

#### Flag A

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently provides a rebate of \$0.0020 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A, which routes to the NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") and adds liquidity. The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to decrease this rebate to \$0.0015 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A. The proposed change represents a pass through of the rate that Direct Edge ECN LLC (d/b/a DE Route) ("DE Route"), the Exchange's affiliated routing broker-dealer, is rebated for routing orders in Tape C securities to Nasdaq when it does not qualify for a

volume tiered rebate. When DE Route routes to Nasdaq, it is rebated a standard rate of \$0.0015 per share for Tape C securities. DE Route will pass through this rate on Nasdaq to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, will pass through this rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to Nasdaq's September 2013 fee change where Nasdaq decreased the rebate it provides its customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of \$0.0020 per share to a rebate of \$0.0015 per share for orders in Tape C securities that are routed to Nasdaq. 5

#### Flag C

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently provides a rebate of \$0.0010 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C, which routes to Nasdaq OMX BX, Inc. ("BX"). The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to increase this rebate to \$0.0011 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C. The proposed change represents a pass through of the rate that DE Route is rebated when it achieves a volume tiered rebate on BX by routing orders to BX. When DE Route routes to BX, it is rebated a volume tiered rate of \$0.0011 per share. DE Route will pass through this rate on BX to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, will pass through this rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to BX's September 2013 fee

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The Exchange notes that to the extent DE Route does or does not achieve any volume tiered increased rebate on BX, its rate for Flag C will not change.

change where BX increased the rebate it provides its customers, such as DE Route, from a rebate of \$0.0010 per share to a rebate of \$0.0011 per share for orders that are routed to BX.

#### Implementation Date

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its Fee Schedule on September 3, 2013.

# 2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act,<sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4),<sup>9</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.

#### Flag A

The Exchange believes that its proposal to decrease the pass through rebate for Members' orders that yield Flag A from \$0.0020 to \$0.0015 per share represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among Members and other persons using its facilities because the Exchange does not levy additional fees or offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to Nasdaq through DE Route. Prior to Nasdaq's September 2013 fee change, Nasdaq provided DE Route a rebate of \$0.0020

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

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### Flag C

The Exchange believes that its proposal to decrease the pass through rebate for Members' orders that yield Flag C from \$0.0010 to \$0.0011 per share represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among Members and other persons using its facilities because the Exchange does not levy additional fees or offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to BX through DE Route. Prior to BX's September 2013 fee change, BX provided DE Route a rebate of \$0.0010 per share for orders yielding Flag C, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In September 2013, BX increased the rebate it

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

These proposed rule changes do not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange does not believe that any of these changes represent a significant departure from previous pricing offered by the Exchange or pricing offered by the Exchange's competitors.

Additionally, Members may opt to disfavor EDGA's pricing if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. Accordingly, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed changes will impair the ability of Members or competing venues to maintain their competitive standing in the financial markets.

#### Flag A

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a rebate of \$0.0015 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag A would increase intermarket competition

See BX, BX Pricing List – Trading & Connectivity, http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Trader.aspx?id=bx\_pricing (offering a rebate to remove liquidity of \$0.0011 per share for MPIDs that add an average of 25,000 but less than 1 million shares per day). See also File No. SR-BX-2013-051.

because it offers customers an alternative means to route to Nasdaq for the same price as entering orders in Tape C securities on Nasdaq directly. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

# Flag C

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a rebate of \$0.0011 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag C would increase intermarket competition because it offers customers an alternative means to route to BX for the same price as entering orders on BX directly, provided those orders would have qualified for a volume based increased rebate. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

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

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. <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) of the  $Act^{12}$  and Rule  $19b-4(f)(2)^{13}$  thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4 (f)(2).

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:

- 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-EDGA-2013-27 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-EDGA-2013-27. 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 website (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>). 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

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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

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For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to

delegated authority.<sup>14</sup>

Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary

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#### Exhibit 5

Additions are <u>underlined</u> Deletions are [bracketed]

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Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per share for Tape A, B, & C securities<sup>1</sup>:

Rebates indicated by parentheses ().

The rates listed in the Standard Rates table apply unless a Member is assigned a liquidity flag other than a standard flag. If a Member is assigned a liquidity flag other than a standard flag, the rates listed in the Liquidity Flags table will apply.

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

#### **Standard Rates:**

Category	Adding Liquidity	Removing Liquidity	Routing and Removing Liquidity	
Securities at or above \$1.00	\$0.0005 <sup>4</sup>	\$(0.0002) <sup>1</sup>	\$0.0029	
Securities below \$1.00	FREE	FREE <sup>1</sup>	0.30% of Dollar Value	
Standard Flags	B, V, Y, 3, 4	N, W, 6, BB, CR, PR, XR	X	

# **Liquidity Flags:**

Flag	Description	Fee/(Rebate) Securities at or above \$1.00	Fee/(Rebate) Securities below \$1.00	
A	Routed to NASDAQ, adds liquidity	(0.00 <u>15</u> [20])	FREE	
В	(No changes)			
C	Routed to BX	(0.00 <u>11</u> [10])	0.10% of Dollar Value	

D-XR	(No changes)	)			