



## BATS to Cease Offering DarkScan Routing Strategy Effective January 3, 2011

### **Overview**

BATS BZX Exchange and BATS BYX Exchange will cease offering the DarkScan routing strategy effective Monday, January 3, 2011. It is anticipated that changes will have minimal impact on users that fully adhere to existing specifications.

Both **DarkScan** and **DarkScan+DRT** orders will no longer be supported per instruction in FIX tag 18, ExecInst. As such, on the effective date orders submitted with FIX tag **18=t** (*DarkScan*) will be handled like **18=w** (*Do not DRT*); while FIX tag **18=z** (*DarkScan+DRT*) will be handled like **18=v** (*Force DRT*).

This change will have no impact on BATS market data feeds.

### **For More Information**

Refer to the appropriate FIX technical specification for additional information on FIX tag 18:

- [BATS US Equities \(BYX\) FIX Specification](#)
- [BATS US Equities \(BZX\) FIX Specification](#)

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