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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 Remove View 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

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")¹, and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² BATS Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "BATS") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") a proposal for the BATS Options Market ("BATS Options") to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security. The Exchange has designated this proposal as a non-controversial filing and requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay contained in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act.³ If such waiver is granted by the Commission, the Exchange shall implement this rule proposal immediately.

- (a) The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5. Material proposed to be added is underlined. Material proposed to be deleted is enclosed in brackets.
 - (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 November 10, 2009. Exchange staff will advise the BATS Exchange Board of Directors of any

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<u>Id</u>.

action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

Questions regarding this rule filing may be directed to Eric Swanson, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of the Exchange at (913) 815-7000.

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

(a) <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this proposed rule change is to amend BATS Rules to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security. Mini Options overlie 10 equity or ETF shares, rather than the standard 100 shares.⁴ Mini Options are currently approved on the following five (5) underlying securities: SPDR S&P 500 ETF ("SPY"), Apple Inc. ("AAPL"), SPDR Gold Trust ("GLD"), Google Inc. ("GOOG"), and Amazon.com, Inc. ("AMZN"). Of the five securities on which Mini Options are permitted, four of them (SPY, AAPL, GLD, and AMZN) participate in the Penny Pilot Program.⁵ Under the Penny Pilot Program, with the exception of three classes,⁶ the

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The rules of BATS Options, including rules applicable to BATS Options' participation in the Penny Pilot, were approved on January 26, 2010. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 61419 (January 26, 2010), 75 FR 5157 (February 1, 2010) (SR-BATS-2009-031). BATS Options commenced operations on February 26, 2010. The Penny Pilot was extended for BATS Options through June 30, 2013. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67306 (December 21, 2012), 77 FR 77176 (December 31, 2012) (SR-BATS-2012-048).

minimum price variation for all participating options classes is \$0.01 for all quotations in options series that are quoted at less than \$3 per contract and \$0.05 for all quotations in options series that are quoted at \$3 per contract or greater. Therefore, the minimum trading increment for AAPL, GLD, and AMZN is \$0.01 for option series under \$3 and \$0.05 for options quoted at \$3 or greater, while the minimum trading increment for SPY, which is not subject to a price test, is \$0.01 across all option series. The Exchange notes that GOOG is not in the Penny Pilot Program and therefore, standard options in GOOG have a minimum increment of \$0.05 and \$0.10 per contract depending on the price at which the standard option on GOOG is quoted.

This proposed rule change will permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be identical to the minimum trading increment applicable to standard options on the same underlying security. The Exchange believes having different trading increments for Mini Options than those permitted for standard options on the same underlying security would be detrimental to the success of this new product offering and would also lead to investor confusion. The Exchange notes that the Commission approved Mini Options on SPY, AAPL, GLD, GOOG, and AMZN because of their high price and current volume levels and because of the level of retail investor participation in trading options on these underlying securities. Mini Options are a natural extension to the options overlying these securities and therefore should retain the most important characteristic, i.e., trading increments. The Exchange believes that by reducing the minimum trading increments for Mini Options, the proposed rule change will provide

The three classes are the Nasdaq-100 Index Tracking Stock ("QQQQ"), SPY, and the iShares Russell 2000 Index Fund ("IWM"). QQQQ, SPY, and IWM are quoted in \$0.01 for all options series.

market participants with meaningful trading opportunities in this product. Further, quoting and trading in smaller increments will enable market participants to trade Mini Options with greater precision as to price. Providing these more refined increments will permit the Exchange's market makers the opportunity to provide better fills (meaning less spread than the current wider minimum increments rules allow) to customers. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to amend its rules to permit the listing and trading of Mini Options in the same increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security.

With this proposed rule change, although certain Mini Options would be trading in penny increments, they would not be considered part of the Penny Pilot Program.

The Exchange's proposal to quote and trade certain option classes that are outside of the Penny Pilot Program in \$0.01 increments is not novel. Specifically, the Commission has approved proposals by International Securities Exchange LLC ("ISE") and Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE") that allows the exchanges to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security. Similarly, the Commission has approved proposals by ISE and NASDAQ OMX PHLX, Inc. that permitted the exchanges to set the minimum increment for foreign

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 69124 (March 12, 2013) (order approving proposal to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security) (SR-CBOE-2013-016; SR-ISE-2013-08).

currency options in \$0.01 increments, regardless of the price at which the option is quoted.⁸

In support of this proposed rule change, the Exchange proposes to amend BATS Rule 19.6 Interpretation and Policy .07 by adding new paragraph (d) to the rule which provides that the minimum trading increment for Mini Options shall be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security.

With regard to the impact of this proposal on system capacity, the Exchange represents that it and the Options Price Reporting Authority have the necessary systems capacity to handle the potential additional traffic associated with this proposal. The Exchange does not believe that this increased traffic will become unmanageable since Mini Options are limited to a fixed number of underlying securities.

(b) <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁹ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹⁰ in particular, in 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.

See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 56933 (December 7, 2007), 72 FR 71185 (December 14, 2007) (SR-PHLX-2007-70) and 57019 (December 20, 2007), 72 FR 73937 (December 28, 2007) (SR-ISE-2007-120).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

In particular, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will assure that standard options and Mini Options on the same underlying security will trade in similar increments and therefore provide market participants meaningful trading opportunities and enable them to trade Mini Options with greater precision as to price. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change will avoid investor confusion if both standard options and Mini Options on the same underlying security are permitted to trade in similar trading increments. The Exchange further believes that investors and other market participants will benefit from this proposed rule change because it proposes to clarify and establish the minimum trading increment for Mini Options prior to the commencement of trading. The Exchange believes that investors generally will be expecting the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment for standard options on the same underlying security. This proposed rule change will therefore lessen investor confusion because Mini Options and standard options on the same underlying security will have the same minimum trading increment.

4. 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. In this regard and as indicated above, the Exchange notes that the rule change is being proposed as a competitive response to the CBOE and ISE filings. The Exchange believes this proposed rule change is necessary to permit fair competition among the options exchanges.

5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u>
<u>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 written comments from members or other interested parties.

- 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>

The Exchange believes that the foregoing proposed rule change may take effect upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)¹¹ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder¹² 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. Mini Options are currently eligible to be traded in the same minimum trading increment as standard options in the underlying security on ISE and CBOE.¹³

The Exchange believes that its rule change proposal is particularly appropriate for filing on an immediately effective basis under paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4. The rule changes proposed herein are based on recent rule changes to ISE and CBOE rules, ¹⁴ and do not raise any new policy issues. Because this filing is a "copycat" of rules of other

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

See supra note 7.

^{14 &}lt;u>Id</u>.

options exchanges and does not present any new or novel issues that have not been previously considered by the Commission, the Exchange believes this proposal is properly filed pursuant to paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4.¹⁵

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing. Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii), however, permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange requests the Commission to waive the noted operative delay because the Exchange believes that in order to remain competitive with and avoid confusion between other options exchanges, the Exchange would need to also establish a minimum trading increment as soon as it is able and therefore requests waiver of the operative delay.

Furthermore, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file a proposed rule change under that subsection at least five business days prior to the date of filing, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has provided such notice.

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: (i) necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

8. <u>Proposed Rule Change Based on Rule of Another Self-Regulatory Organization</u> or of the Commission

The proposed rule change is based on recent changes to ISE and CBOE rules. 16

There are no substantive differences between the proposed rule change and such approved rules.

- Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act
 Not applicable.
- 10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1: Completed Notice of the Proposed Rule Change for publication in the Federal Register.

Exhibits 2 - 4: Not applicable.

Exhibit 5: Text of Proposed Rule Change.

See supra note 7.

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANG	GE COMMISSION
(Release No. 34-	; File No. SR-BATS-2013-019

Self-Regulatory Organizations; BATS Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule to Amend the Minimum Trading Increments for Mini Options.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on March 15, 2013, BATS Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "BATS") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal as a "non-controversial" proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder,⁴ which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. 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 filed a proposal for the BATS Options Market ("BATS Options") to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's website at http://www.batstrading.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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 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 parts of such statements.

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

The purpose of this proposed rule change is to amend BATS Rules to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security. Mini Options overlie 10 equity or ETF shares, rather than the standard 100 shares. Mini Options are currently approved on the following five (5) underlying securities: SPDR S&P 500 ETF ("SPY"), Apple Inc. ("AAPL"), SPDR Gold Trust ("GLD"), Google Inc. ("GOOG"), and Amazon.com, Inc. ("AMZN"). Of the five securities on which Mini Options are permitted, four of them (SPY, AAPL, GLD, and AMZN) participate in the Penny Pilot

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Program.⁶ Under the Penny Pilot Program, with the exception of three classes,⁷ the minimum price variation for all participating options classes is \$0.01 for all quotations in options series that are quoted at less than \$3 per contract and \$0.05 for all quotations in options series that are quoted at \$3 per contract or greater. Therefore, the minimum trading increment for AAPL, GLD, and AMZN is \$0.01 for option series under \$3 and \$0.05 for options quoted at \$3 or greater, while the minimum trading increment for SPY, which is not subject to a price test, is \$0.01 across all option series. The Exchange notes that GOOG is not in the Penny Pilot Program and therefore, standard options in GOOG have a minimum increment of \$0.05 and \$0.10 per contract depending on the price at which the standard option on GOOG is quoted.

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price and current volume levels and because of the level of retail investor participation in trading options on these underlying securities. Mini Options are a natural extension to the options overlying these securities and therefore should retain the most important characteristic, i.e., trading increments. The Exchange believes that by reducing the minimum trading increments for Mini Options, the proposed rule change will provide market participants with meaningful trading opportunities in this product. Further, quoting and trading in smaller increments will enable market participants to trade Mini Options with greater precision as to price. Providing these more refined increments will permit the Exchange's market makers the opportunity to provide better fills (meaning less spread than the current wider minimum increments rules allow) to customers. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to amend its rules to permit the listing and trading of Mini Options in the same increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security.

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The Exchange's proposal to quote and trade certain option classes that are outside of the Penny Pilot Program in \$0.01 increments is not novel. Specifically, the Commission has approved proposals by International Securities Exchange LLC ("ISE") and Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE") that allows the exchanges to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying

security. Similarly, the Commission has approved proposals by ISE and NASDAQ OMX PHLX, Inc. that permitted the exchanges to set the minimum increment for foreign currency options in \$0.01 increments, regardless of the price at which the option is quoted. 9

In support of this proposed rule change, the Exchange proposes to amend BATS Rule 19.6 Interpretation and Policy .07 by adding new paragraph (d) to the rule which provides that the minimum trading increment for Mini Options shall be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security.

With regard to the impact of this proposal on system capacity, the Exchange represents that it and the Options Price Reporting Authority have the necessary systems capacity to handle the potential additional traffic associated with this proposal. The Exchange does not believe that this increased traffic will become unmanageable since Mini Options are limited to a fixed number of underlying securities.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act¹⁰ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹¹ in particular,

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 69124 (March 12, 2013) (order approving proposal to permit the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security) (SR-CBOE-2013-016; SR-ISE-2013-08).

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¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

in 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 particular, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will assure that standard options and Mini Options on the same underlying security will trade in similar increments and therefore provide market participants meaningful trading opportunities and enable them to trade Mini Options with greater precision as to price. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change will avoid investor confusion if both standard options and Mini Options on the same underlying security are permitted to trade in similar trading increments. The Exchange further believes that investors and other market participants will benefit from this proposed rule change because it proposes to clarify and establish the minimum trading increment for Mini Options prior to the commencement of trading. The Exchange believes that investors generally will be expecting the minimum trading increment for Mini Options to be the same as the minimum trading increment for standard options on the same underlying security. This proposed rule change will therefore lessen investor confusion because Mini Options and standard options on the same underlying security will have the same minimum trading increment.

(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. In this regard and as indicated above, the Exchange notes that the rule change is being proposed as a competitive response to the CBOE and ISE filings. The Exchange

believes this proposed rule change is necessary to permit fair competition among the options exchanges.

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

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

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 Act¹² and paragraph (f) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹³ 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.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposal 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 rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File No. SR-BATS-2013-019 on the subject line.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f).

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 No. SR-BATS-2013-019. 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 (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 changes 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, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. Copies of such filing will also 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 No. SR-BATS-2013-019 and should be submitted on or before [______21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 14

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary Note: Proposed new language is <u>underlined</u>. Proposed deletions are enclosed in [brackets].

Rules of BATS Exchange, Inc.

CHAPTER XIX. SECURITIES TRADED ON BATS OPTIONS

Rule 19.6. Series of Options Contracts Open for Trading

(a)-(f) (No changes.)

Interpretations and Policies

.01-.06 (No changes.)

.07 Mini Options Contracts

- (a) After an option class on a stock, Exchange-Traded Fund Share, Trust Issued Receipt, Exchange Traded Note, and other Index Linked Security with a 100 share deliverable has been approved for listing and trading on the Exchange, series of option contracts with a 10 share deliverable on that stock, Exchange-Traded Fund Share, Trust Issued Receipt, Exchange Traded Note, and other Index Linked Security may be listed for all expirations opened for trading on the Exchange. Mini Option contracts may currently be listed on SPDR S&P 500 ("SPY"), Apple Inc. ("AAPL"), SPDR Gold Trust ("GLD"), Google Inc. ("GOOG"), and Amazon.com Inc. ("AMZN").
- (b) Strike prices for Mini Options shall be set at the same level as for regular options. For example, a call series strike price to deliver 10 shares of stock at \$125 per share has a total deliverable value of \$1250 and the strike price will be set at 125.
- (c) No additional series of Mini Options may be added if the underlying security is trading at \$90 or less. The underlying security must trade above \$90 for five consecutive days prior to listing Mini Options contracts in an additional expiration month.
- (d) The minimum trading increment for Mini Options shall be the same as the minimum trading increment permitted for standard options on the same underlying security. For example, if a security participates in the Penny Pilot Program, Mini Options in the same underlying security may be quoted and traded in the same minimum increments, e.g., \$0.01 for all quotations in series that are quoted at less than \$3 per contract and \$0.05 for all quotations in series that are quoted at \$3 per contract or greater, \$0.01 for all SPY option series.

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Rule 21.5. Minimum Increments

(a)-(b) (No changes.)

(c) *Mini Options*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Rule 21.5, the minimum trading increment for Mini Options shall be determined in accordance with *Interpretations and Policies* .07 to Rule 19.6.
