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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 pursuant to EDGA Rule 15.1(a) and (c) ("Fee Schedule") to: (1) increase the fee charged from \$0.0029 per share to \$0.0030 per share for orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow, Inc. ("LavaFlow"); (2) eliminate underutilized pricing tiers from its Fee Schedule; and (3) make a number of non-substantive amendments and clarifications. The 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's 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 rule 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

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

[&]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." EDGA Rule 1.5(n).

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

(a) Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to: (1) increase the fee charged from \$0.0029 per share to \$0.0030 per share for orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow; (2) eliminate underutilized pricing tiers from its Fee Schedule; and (3) make a number of non-substantive amendments and clarifications.

Fee Change for Flag U

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently assesses a fee of \$0.0029 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow. The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to increase this fee to \$0.0030 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag U. 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 charged for routing orders to LavaFlow and do not qualify for a volume tiered discount. When DE Route routes to LavaFlow, it is charged a default fee of \$0.0030 per share. DE Route will pass through this rate on LavaFlow 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 LavaFlow's July 2013 fee change where LavaFlow increased the rate it charges its customers, such as DE Route, from a charge of \$0.0029 per share to a charge of \$0.0030 per share for orders that are routed to LavaFlow and add liquidity.

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6⁶

Currently, under Footnote 6, Members can qualify for a decreased fee of \$0.0023 per share for orders yielding Flag U where they post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day using routing strategy ROLF (yielding Flag M). The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to remove this pricing tier under Footnote 6. This pricing tier represented a pass through of the rate that DE Route was charged for routing orders to LavaFlow that qualify for an identical volume tiered discount provided by LavaFlow. When DE Route routed to LavaFlow and satisfied its tier, it was charged a reduced fee of \$0.0023 per share. DE Route passed through this rate on LavaFlow to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, passed through this

The Exchange notes that to the extent DE Route does or does not achieve any volume tiered discount on LavaFlow, its rate for Flag U will not change.

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (charging a fee of \$0.0030 per share for removing liquidity in shares priced at or above \$1.00) (last visited July 19, 2013).

References herein to "footnotes" refer only to footnotes on the Exchange's Fee Schedule and not to footnotes within the current filing.

rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to LavaFlow's recent fee change where LavaFlow eliminated its equivalent pricing tier from its fee schedule. The Exchange also proposes to remove references to Footnote 6 from Flag U in the list of "Liquidity Flags." Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of this tier, Members will continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange proposes to eliminate the pricing tiers included under Footnote 16 because they are underutilized by Members. Currently, the Exchange offers the following pricing tiers for Flag Q under Footnote 16:

- \$0.0015 per share where the Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the total consolidated volume ("TCV")⁸ in average daily volume ("ADV")⁹ on the Exchange and routes 2.5 million shares through the use of Flag Q;
- \$0.0015 per share where the Member executes greater than or equal to an ADV of 12 million shares using the ROUC routing strategy and yielding Flags C, D, I, K, Q, X, BY, CR and MT; and
- \$0.0010 per share where the Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the TCV in ADV on EDGA and routes 5 million shares through the use of Flag Q.

The Exchange notes that no Member has qualified for these tiers during the previous three months, nor does the Exchange anticipate a Member to qualify for these tiers in the near future. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to remove these tiers from its Fee Schedule. The Exchange also proposes to remove references to Footnote 16 from the list of "Liquidity Flags." Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of these tiers, Members will continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange also proposes to make a number of clarifying, non-substantive changes to its Fee Schedule to provide greater transparency to Members on how the Exchange assesses fees and calculates rebates. The Exchange notes that none of these changes substantively amend any fee or rebate, nor alter the manner in which it assesses fees or calculates rebates. These proposed changes are outlined below:

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (no longer charging a fee of \$0.0023 per share for members that post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day) (last visited July 19, 2013).

TCV is defined as the volume reported by all exchanges and the trade reporting facilities to the consolidated transaction reporting plans for Tapes A, B, and C securities for the month in which fees are calculated.

ADV is defined as the average daily trading volume of shares that a Member executed on the Exchange.

- Amend "EDGA Exchange" at the top of the Fee Schedule to read "EDGA Exchange, Inc." and make a similar change to the last sentence of the "EdgeBook AttributedSM Fees" section.
- Amend the sentence at the top of the Fee Schedule from "Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per Share for Tape A, B, & C Securities" to "Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per share for Tape A, B, & C securities.
- Add language to the beginning of the Fee Schedule to clarify that 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.
- Title the first section of the Fee Schedule as "Standard Rates" and the second section "Liquidity Flags" by deleting current text "Liquidity Flags and Associated Fees."
- Add a row to the "Standard Rates" section of the Fee Schedule specifying to which flags the standard rates apply. These flags are B, V, Y, 3 and 4 for adding liquidity, N, W, 6, BB, CR, PR and XR for removing liquidity, and X for routing and removing liquidity. The Exchange notes that the flags listed in this row are also listed as "Liquidity Flags" indicating a rate equal to the standard rate. The Exchange believes adding a row indicating which flags provide the standard rate would add clarity to its Fee Schedule.
- Make grammatical changes to the "Liquidity Flags" section. These proposed changes are the following: (i) replacing "Add" with "Adds" under flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4; (ii) replacing "Remove" with "Removes" under flags N, W, 6, BB and CR; (iii) replace "primary" with "listing" under Flag O; (iv) delete "order" from Flag S as it is repetitive; (v) replace "MPM" with "MidPoint Match" under Flag MT; (vi) replace "Mid Point" with "Midpoint" under Flags PA and PX; (vii) add the word "away" to Flag R to clarify that the flag is referring to an away exchange and not the Exchange; and (viii) remove instances of "book" from footnotes B, N, V, W, Y and BB.
- Add a section titled "Definitions," which would consist of terms that are currently defined within the footnotes of the Fee Schedule. This section would consist of definitions for "Added Flags," "Removal Flags," "Routed Flags," "Average Daily Volume" and "Total Consolidated Volume." "Added Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: B, V, Y, DM, HA, PA, RP, 3, and 4. "Removal Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: BB, N, W, CR, DT, HR, PR, PT, XR and 6. "Routed Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: A, C, D, F, G, I, J, K, L, M, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, X, Z, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, BY, CL, PX, RA, RB, RC, RM, RR, RS, RT, RW, RX, RY, RZ, and SW. ADV would be defined as the average daily volume of shares that a Member executed

on the Exchange for the month in which the fees are calculated. TCV would be defined as the 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 in which the fees are calculated. Where these terms appear in the footnotes, such terms would be abbreviated to match the "Definitions" section. The Exchange notes that these terms were previously defined within the footnotes. The Exchange does not propose any substantive changes to the definitions; it is simply moving the definitions from the footnotes and consolidating them under the "Definitions" section.

- Add a section entitled "General Notes" to help clarify the application of the footnotes. First, the "General Notes" section would clarify that, to the extent a Member: (i) does not qualify for any of the tiers included in the footnotes, the rates listed in the "Liquidity Flags" section will apply; or (ii) qualifies for higher rebates and/or lower fees than those provided by a tier for which such Member qualifies, the higher rebates and/or lower fees shall apply. Second, the section will incorporate text currently located in footnotes "a" and "b" that (i) trading activity on days when the market closes early does not count toward volume tiers and (ii) upon a Member's request, EDGA will aggregate share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates on a prospective basis. Lastly, the section will clarify that variable rates provided by tiers apply only to executions in securities priced at or above \$1.00.
- Add text to Footnote 2 to clarify that both displayed and non-displayed liquidity count towards the 8,000,000 share posting requirement to qualify for the rates for flags HA and HR listed in the "Liquidity Flags" table.
- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 3 and replace it with the content from Footnote 17, which would be provided in table format. The Exchange does not propose to alter the fees or rebates offered under this tier or the requirements of the tier; it simply seeks to reformat the tier as a table to make it easier to read and understand. The Exchange also proposes to name the tier as the "RPMT Tier." Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Convert the tiers in Footnote 4 into table format and provide a name for each tier. The Exchange does not propose to alter the fees or rebates offered under these tiers or the requirements of the tiers; it simply seeks to reformat the tiers as a table to make them easier to read and understand. The Exchange also proposes to name the tiers under Footnote 4 as the "Add Volume Tiers." In addition, the Exchange proposes to

These clarifications are similar to text included in footnotes 2 and 4 of the EDGX Exchange, Inc. Fee Schedule. See EDGX Exchange, Inc., Fee Schedule, available at https://www.directedge.com/Membership/FeeSchedule/EDGXFeeSchedule.aspx (July 1, 2013).

clarify that the fee to add for meeting any of these tiers is applicable to flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4.

- As discussed above, the Exchange proposes to delete the content of Footnote 6. In its place, the Exchange proposes to move the text, unchanged, from Footnote 15. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 7 and replace it with the exact content from Footnote 14. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Amend footnotes 8, 9, 10, and 11 to include similar language when stating which flag would be yielded when an order is routed using a particular routing strategy or to a specific trading center as contained in each footnote. In addition, pricing information in the footnotes would also be removed because such information is redundant and its removal would simplify the Fee Schedule.
- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 12 and replace it with the exact content from Footnote 13. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete footnotes 13 17 and "a" "c" as well as references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete Footnote "d" and rename it as a new section entitled, "Late Fees." The Exchange does not propose to amend the text of Footnote "d," which will now be included under the new "Late Fees" section. References to Footnote "d" would be removed from the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Amend the section "Port Fees" to replace the word "Edge" with "EDGE" and add the word "Ports" after "EdgeRisk."
- Remove references to the effective date of a rule filing where such filing has become
 effective (i.e., Port Fees, EdgeRisk Gateway, Physical Connectivity Fees,
 Membership Fees, EdgeBook Attributed Fees, Edge Attribution Incentive Program
 and Edge Routed Liquidity Report).
- Conform titles of products in the sections following the footnotes to read first as product name followed by "Fees" rather than "Pricing," where applicable. Furthermore, the titles of columns would be amended to conform to a common format.
- Insert and remove trademark symbols where applicable throughout the Fee Schedule (i.e., EDGA[®], EDGX[®], EDGE XPRS[®], EdgeRisk PortsSM, EdgeRisk GatewaySM,

EdgeBook DepthSM, EdgeBook AttributedSM, Edge Routed Liquidity ReportSM, and EdgeBook Cloud[®]).

<u>Implementation Date</u>

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its Fee Schedule on August 5, 2013.

(b) Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act, ¹¹ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4), ¹² 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. The Exchange also believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5)¹³ requirements that the rules of an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, 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.

Fee Change for Flag U

The Exchange believes that its proposal to increase the pass through charge for Members' orders that yield Flag U from \$0.0029 to \$0.0030 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 LavaFlow through DE Route. Prior to LavaFlow's July 2013 fee change, LavaFlow charged DE Route a fee of \$0.0029 per share for orders yielding Flag U, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In July 2013, LavaFlow increased the rate it charges its customers, such as DE Route, from a charge of \$0.0029 per share to a charge of \$0.0030 per share for orders that are routed to LavaFlow. Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed change in Flag U from a fee of \$0.0029 per share to a fee of \$0.0030 per share is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on LavaFlow. In addition, the proposal allows the Exchange to continue to charge its Members a pass-through rate for orders that are routed to LavaFlow and remove liquidity using DE Route. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. Lastly, the

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (charging a fee of \$0.0030 per share for removing liquidity in shares priced at or above \$1.00).

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

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6

The Exchange believes that its proposal to eliminate the pricing tier under Footnote 6 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 LavaFlow through DE Route. Prior to LavaFlow's recent fee change, LavaFlow charged DE Route a fee of \$ 0.0023 per share when volume criteria identical to that contained in Footnote 6 were met. DE Route, in turn, passed through this rate to the Exchange and the Exchange passed it through to its Members. Recently, LavaFlow eliminated this pricing tier from its fee schedule. Therefore, the Exchange believes that removing the related pricing tier under Footnote 6 is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on LavaFlow. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. The Exchange also believes the elimination of unnecessary and obsolete tiers simplifies its Fee Schedule. Removal of the tiers under Footnote 6 is also equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because those tiers would be eliminated and no longer be available to any Member. Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of this tier, Members would continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange believes that the proposal to eliminate the tiers under Footnote 16 from its Fee Schedule is reasonable because these tiers are underutilized and have generally not incentivized Members to add liquidity to the Exchange. The Exchange notes that no Member has qualified for these tiers during the past three months, nor does the Exchange anticipate a Member to qualify for these tiers in the near future. Therefore, the Exchange believes eliminating the tiers under Footnote 16 would clarify its Fee Schedule. The Exchange also believes the elimination of unnecessary and obsolete tiers simplifies its Fee Schedule. Removal of the tiers under Footnote 16 is also equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because those tiers would be eliminated and no longer be available to any Member. Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of these tiers, Members would continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange believes that the non-substantive clarifying changes to its Fee Schedule are reasonable because they are designed to provide greater transparency to Members with regard to how the Exchange assesses fees and provides rebates. The Exchange notes that none of the proposed non-substantive clarifying changes are designed to amend any fee or rebate, nor alter

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (eliminating a fee of \$0.0023 per share for orders yielding Flag U where they post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day).

the manner in which it assesses fees or calculates rebates. The Exchange believes that Members would benefit from clear guidance in its Fee Schedule that describes the manner in which the Exchange would assess fees and calculate rebates. These non-substantive, technical changes to the Fee Schedule as intended to make the Fee Schedule clearer and less confusing for investors and eliminate potential investor confusion, thereby removing impediments to and perfecting the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, protecting investors and the public interest.

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

Fee Change for Flag U

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a charge of \$0.0030 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag U would increase intermarket competition because it offers customers an alternative means to route to LavaFlow for the same price as entering orders on LavaFlow directly. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6

The Exchange believes that its proposal to eliminate the pricing tier under Footnote 6 would not impact intermarket competition because the change is in response to LavaFlow removing an identical corresponding tier from its fee schedule. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the pricing tier would no longer be available to any Members.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange believes that elimination of the tiers under Footnote 16 would not affect intermarket nor intramarket competition because the tiers have generally not incentivized Members to add liquidity to the Exchange.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange believes that non-substantive, clarifying changes to the Fee Schedule would not affect intermarket nor intramarket competition because none of these changes are designed to amend any fee or rebate or alter the manner in which the Exchange assesses fees or

calculates rebates. These changes are intended to provide greater transparency to Members with regard to how the Exchange access fees and provides rebates.

5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed 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.

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</u> 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 Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act¹⁶ and paragraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹⁷
 - (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.

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

Not applicable.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

¹⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

11. Exhibits

 $\underline{Exhibit\ 1} - Form\ of\ Notice\ of\ Proposed\ Rule\ Change\ for\ Publication\ in\ the \\ \underline{Federal\ Register}.$

Exhibit 5 – Text of the Proposed Rule Change.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EDGA-2013-23)

[Date]

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

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 August 5, 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 Members³ pursuant to EDGA Rule 15.1(a) and (c) ("Fee Schedule") to: (1) increase the fee charged from \$0.0029 per share to \$0.0030 per share for orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow, Inc. ("LavaFlow"); (2) eliminate underutilized pricing tiers from its Fee

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

[&]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." EDGA Rule 1.5(n).

Schedule; and (3) make a number of non-substantive amendments and clarifications. All of the changes described herein are applicable to EDGA Members. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Internet website at www.directedge.com, 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</u> Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to: (1) increase the fee charged from \$0.0029 per share to \$0.0030 per share for orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow; (2) eliminate underutilized pricing tiers from its Fee Schedule; and (3) make a number of non-substantive amendments and clarifications.

Fee Change for Flag U

In securities priced at or above \$1.00, the Exchange currently assesses a fee of \$0.0029 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag U, which routes to LavaFlow. The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to increase this fee to \$0.0030 per share

for Members' orders that yield Flag U. 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 charged for routing orders to LavaFlow and do not qualify for a volume tiered discount. When DE Route routes to LavaFlow, it is charged a default fee of \$0.0030 per share. DE Route will pass through this rate on LavaFlow 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 LavaFlow's July 2013 fee change where LavaFlow increased the rate it charges its customers, such as DE Route, from a charge of \$0.0029 per share to a charge of \$0.0030 per share for orders that are routed to LavaFlow and add liquidity.

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6⁶

Currently, under Footnote 6, Members can qualify for a decreased fee of \$0.0023 per share for orders yielding Flag U where they post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day using routing strategy ROLF (yielding Flag M). The Exchange proposes to amend its Fee Schedule to remove this pricing tier under Footnote 6. This pricing tier represented a pass through of the rate that DE Route was charged for routing orders to LavaFlow that qualify for an identical volume tiered discount provided by LavaFlow.

When DE Route routed to LavaFlow and satisfied its tier, it was charged a reduced fee of

The Exchange notes that to the extent DE Route does or does not achieve any volume tiered discount on LavaFlow, its rate for Flag U will not change.

See LavaFlow Pricing, <u>available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php</u> (July 1, 2013) (charging a fee of \$0.0030 per share for removing liquidity in shares priced at or above \$1.00) (last visited July 19, 2013).

References herein to "footnotes" refer only to footnotes on the Exchange's Fee Schedule and not to footnotes within the current filing.

\$0.0023 per share. DE Route passed through this rate on LavaFlow to the Exchange and the Exchange, in turn, passed through this rate to its Members. The Exchange notes that the proposed change is in response to LavaFlow's recent fee change where LavaFlow eliminated its equivalent pricing tier from its fee schedule. The Exchange also proposes to remove references to Footnote 6 from Flag U in the list of "Liquidity Flags." Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of this tier, Members will continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange proposes to eliminate the pricing tiers included under Footnote 16 because they are underutilized by Members. Currently, the Exchange offers the following pricing tiers for Flag Q under Footnote 16:

- \$0.0015 per share where the Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the total consolidated volume ("TCV")⁸ in average daily volume ("ADV")⁹ on the Exchange and routes 2.5 million shares through the use of Flag Q;
- \$0.0015 per share where the Member executes greater than or equal to an
 ADV of 12 million shares using the ROUC routing strategy and yielding Flags
 C, D, I, K, Q, X, BY, CR and MT; and

See LavaFlow Pricing, <u>available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php</u> (July 1, 2013) (no longer charging a fee of \$0.0023 per share for members that post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day) (last visited July 19, 2013).

TCV is defined as the volume reported by all exchanges and the trade reporting facilities to the consolidated transaction reporting plans for Tapes A, B, and C securities for the month in which fees are calculated.

ADV is defined as the average daily trading volume of shares that a Member executed on the Exchange.

 \$0.0010 per share where the Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the TCV in ADV on EDGA and routes 5 million shares through the use of Flag Q.

The Exchange notes that no Member has qualified for these tiers during the previous three months, nor does the Exchange anticipate a Member to qualify for these tiers in the near future. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to remove these tiers from its Fee Schedule. The Exchange also proposes to remove references to Footnote 16 from the list of "Liquidity Flags." Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of these tiers, Members will continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange also proposes to make a number of clarifying, non-substantive changes to its Fee Schedule to provide greater transparency to Members on how the Exchange assesses fees and calculates rebates. The Exchange notes that none of these changes substantively amend any fee or rebate, nor alter the manner in which it assesses fees or calculates rebates. These proposed changes are outlined below:

- Amend "EDGA Exchange" at the top of the Fee Schedule to read "EDGA
 Exchange, Inc." and make a similar change to the last sentence of the
 "EdgeBook AttributedSM Fees" section.
- Amend the sentence at the top of the Fee Schedule from "Rebates & Charges
 for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per Share for Tape A, B, & C
 Securities" to "Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing
 Liquidity per share for Tape A, B, & C securities.

- Add language to the beginning of the Fee Schedule to clarify that 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.
- Title the first section of the Fee Schedule as "Standard Rates" and the second section "Liquidity Flags" by deleting current text "Liquidity Flags and Associated Fees."
- Add a row to the "Standard Rates" section of the Fee Schedule specifying to which flags the standard rates apply. These flags are B, V, Y, 3 and 4 for adding liquidity, N, W, 6, BB, CR, PR and XR for removing liquidity, and X for routing and removing liquidity. The Exchange notes that the flags listed in this row are also listed as "Liquidity Flags" indicating a rate equal to the standard rate. The Exchange believes adding a row indicating which flags provide the standard rate would add clarity to its Fee Schedule.
- Make grammatical changes to the "Liquidity Flags" section. These proposed changes are the following: (i) replacing "Add" with "Adds" under flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4; (ii) replacing "Remove" with "Removes" under flags N, W, 6, BB and CR; (iii) replace "primary" with "listing" under Flag O; (iv) delete "order" from Flag S as it is repetitive; (v) replace "MPM" with "MidPoint Match" under Flag MT; (vi) replace "Mid Point" with "Midpoint" under Flags PA and PX; (vii) add the word "away" to Flag R to clarify that the flag is

- referring to an away exchange and not the Exchange; and (viii) remove instances of "book" from footnotes B, N, V, W, Y and BB.
- Add a section titled "Definitions," which would consist of terms that are currently defined within the footnotes of the Fee Schedule. This section would consist of definitions for "Added Flags," "Removal Flags," "Routed Flags," "Average Daily Volume" and "Total Consolidated Volume." "Added Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: B, V, Y, DM, HA, PA, RP, 3, and 4. "Removal Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: BB, N, W, CR, DT, HR, PR, PT, XR and 6. "Routed Flags" would be defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: A, C, D, F, G, I, J, K, L, M, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, X, Z, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, BY, CL, PX, RA, RB, RC, RM, RR, RS, RT, RW, RX, RY, RZ, and SW. ADV would be defined as the average daily volume of shares that a Member executed on the Exchange for the month in which the fees are calculated. TCV would be defined as the 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 in which the fees are calculated. Where these terms appear in the footnotes, such terms would be abbreviated to match the "Definitions" section. The Exchange notes that these terms were previously defined within the footnotes. The Exchange does not propose any substantive changes to the definitions; it is simply moving the definitions from the footnotes and consolidating them under the "Definitions" section.

- Add a section entitled "General Notes" to help clarify the application of the footnotes. First, the "General Notes" section would clarify that, to the extent a Member: (i) does not qualify for any of the tiers included in the footnotes, the rates listed in the "Liquidity Flags" section will apply; or (ii) qualifies for higher rebates and/or lower fees than those provided by a tier for which such Member qualifies, the higher rebates and/or lower fees shall apply. Second, the section will incorporate text currently located in footnotes "a" and "b" that (i) trading activity on days when the market closes early does not count toward volume tiers and (ii) upon a Member's request, EDGA will aggregate share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates on a prospective basis. Lastly, the section will clarify that variable rates provided by tiers apply only to executions in securities priced at or above \$1.00.
- Add text to Footnote 2 to clarify that both displayed and non-displayed liquidity count towards the 8,000,000 share posting requirement to qualify for the rates for flags HA and HR listed in the "Liquidity Flags" table.
- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 3 and replace it with the content from Footnote 17, which would be provided in table format. The Exchange does not propose to alter the fees or rebates offered under this tier or the requirements of the tier; it simply seeks to reformat the tier as a

These clarifications are similar to text included in footnotes 2 and 4 of the EDGX Exchange, Inc. Fee Schedule. See EDGX Exchange, Inc., Fee Schedule, available at https://www.directedge.com/Membership/FeeSchedule/EDGXFeeSchedule.aspx (July 1, 2013).

table to make it easier to read and understand. The Exchange also proposes to name the tier as the "RPMT Tier." Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.

- Convert the tiers in Footnote 4 into table format and provide a name for each tier. The Exchange does not propose to alter the fees or rebates offered under these tiers or the requirements of the tiers; it simply seeks to reformat the tiers as a table to make them easier to read and understand. The Exchange also proposes to name the tiers under Footnote 4 as the "Add Volume Tiers." In addition, the Exchange proposes to clarify that the fee to add for meeting any of these tiers is applicable to flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4.
- As discussed above, the Exchange proposes to delete the content of Footnote
 In its place, the Exchange proposes to move the text, unchanged, from
 Footnote 15. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to
 the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 7 and replace it with the exact content from Footnote 14. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Amend footnotes 8, 9, 10, and 11 to include similar language when stating which flag would be yielded when an order is routed using a particular routing strategy or to a specific trading center as contained in each footnote. In addition, pricing information in the footnotes would also be removed because such information is redundant and its removal would simplify the Fee Schedule.

- Delete the language "Intentionally omitted" from Footnote 12 and replace it with the exact content from Footnote 13. Conforming changes are proposed to be made to references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete footnotes 13 17 and "a" "c" as well as references to the footnotes in the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Delete Footnote "d" and rename it as a new section entitled, "Late Fees." The
 Exchange does not propose to amend the text of Footnote "d," which will now
 be included under the new "Late Fees" section. References to Footnote "d"
 would be removed from the "Liquidity Flags" section.
- Amend the section "Port Fees" to replace the word "Edge" with "EDGE" and add the word "Ports" after "EdgeRisk."
- Remove references to the effective date of a rule filing where such filing has become effective (i.e., Port Fees, EdgeRisk Gateway, Physical Connectivity Fees, Membership Fees, EdgeBook Attributed Fees, Edge Attribution Incentive Program and Edge Routed Liquidity Report).
- Conform titles of products in the sections following the footnotes to read first
 as product name followed by "Fees" rather than "Pricing," where applicable.
 Furthermore, the titles of columns would be amended to conform to a
 common format.
- Insert and remove trademark symbols where applicable throughout the Fee Schedule (i.e., EDGA®, EDGX®, EDGE XPRS®, EdgeRisk PortsSM, EdgeRisk GatewaySM, EdgeBook DepthSM, EdgeBook AttributedSM, Edge Routed Liquidity ReportSM, and EdgeBook Cloud®).

<u>Implementation Date</u>

The Exchange proposes to implement these amendments to its Fee Schedule on August 5, 2013.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the objectives of Section 6 of the Act, ¹¹ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4), ¹² 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. The Exchange also believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5)¹³ requirements that the rules of an exchange be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, 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.

Fee Change for Flag U

The Exchange believes that its proposal to increase the pass through charge for Members' orders that yield Flag U from \$0.0029 to \$0.0030 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

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

offer additional rebates for orders that it routes to LavaFlow through DE Route. Prior to LavaFlow's July 2013 fee change, LavaFlow charged DE Route a fee of \$0.0029 per share for orders yielding Flag U, which DE Route passed through to the Exchange and the Exchange passed through to its Members. In July 2013, LavaFlow increased the rate it charges its customers, such as DE Route, from a charge of \$0.0029 per share to a charge of \$0.0030 per share for orders that are routed to LavaFlow. Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed change in Flag U from a fee of \$0.0029 per share to a fee of \$0.0030 per share is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on LavaFlow. In addition, the proposal allows the Exchange to continue to charge its Members a pass-through rate for orders that are routed to LavaFlow and remove liquidity using DE Route. 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.

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6

The Exchange believes that its proposal to eliminate the pricing tier under Footnote 6 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 LavaFlow through DE Route. Prior to LavaFlow's recent fee change, LavaFlow charged DE Route a fee of \$ 0.0023 per share when volume criteria identical to that contained in Footnote 6 were met. DE Route, in turn, passed through this rate to the Exchange and the Exchange

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (charging a fee of \$0.0030 per share for removing liquidity in shares priced at or above \$1.00).

passed it through to its Members. Recently, LavaFlow eliminated this pricing tier from its fee schedule. Therefore, the Exchange believes that removing the related pricing tier under Footnote 6 is equitable and reasonable because it accounts for the pricing changes on LavaFlow. The Exchange notes that routing through DE Route is voluntary. The Exchange also believes the elimination of unnecessary and obsolete tiers simplifies its Fee Schedule. Removal of the tiers under Footnote 6 is also equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because those tiers would be eliminated and no longer be available to any Member. Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of this tier, Members would continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange believes that the proposal to eliminate the tiers under Footnote 16 from its Fee Schedule is reasonable because these tiers are underutilized and have generally not incentivized Members to add liquidity to the Exchange. The Exchange notes that no Member has qualified for these tiers during the past three months, nor does the Exchange anticipate a Member to qualify for these tiers in the near future. Therefore, the Exchange believes eliminating the tiers under Footnote 16 would clarify its Fee Schedule. The Exchange also believes the elimination of unnecessary and obsolete tiers simplifies its Fee Schedule. Removal of the tiers under Footnote 16 is also equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because those tiers would be eliminated and no longer be available to any Member. Lastly, the Exchange notes that with the deletion of these tiers,

See LavaFlow Pricing, available at https://www.lavatrading.com/solutions/pricing.php (July 1, 2013) (eliminating a fee of \$0.0023 per share for orders yielding Flag U where they post an average of 100,000 shares or more per day).

Members would continue to be subject to the other fees and tiers listed on the Exchange's Fee Schedule.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange believes that the non-substantive clarifying changes to its Fee Schedule are reasonable because they are designed to provide greater transparency to Members with regard to how the Exchange assesses fees and provides rebates. The Exchange notes that none of the proposed non-substantive clarifying changes are designed to amend any fee or rebate, nor alter the manner in which it assesses fees or calculates rebates. The Exchange believes that Members would benefit from clear guidance in its Fee Schedule that describes the manner in which the Exchange would assess fees and calculate rebates. These non-substantive, technical changes to the Fee Schedule as intended to make the Fee Schedule clearer and less confusing for investors and eliminate potential investor confusion, thereby removing impediments to and perfecting the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, protecting investors and the public interest.

B. 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 any of the Exchange's competitors. Additionally, Members may opt to disfavor the Exchange's pricing if they believe that alternatives offer them better value. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that the

proposed changes would not impair the ability of Members or competing venues to maintain their competitive standing in the financial markets.

Fee Change for Flag U

The Exchange believes that its proposal to pass through a charge of \$0.0030 per share for Members' orders that yield Flag U would increase intermarket competition because it offers customers an alternative means to route to LavaFlow for the same price as entering orders on LavaFlow directly. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the proposed rate would apply uniformly to all Members.

Elimination of the Tier under Footnote 6

The Exchange believes that its proposal to eliminate the pricing tier under Footnote 6 would not impact intermarket competition because the change is in response to LavaFlow removing an identical corresponding tier from its fee schedule. The Exchange believes that its proposal would not burden intramarket competition because the pricing tier would no longer be available to any Members.

Elimination of Tiers under Footnote 16

The Exchange believes that elimination of the tiers under Footnote 16 would not affect intermarket nor intramarket competition because the tiers have generally not incentivized Members to add liquidity to the Exchange.

Non-Substantive Clarifying Changes

The Exchange believes that non-substantive, clarifying changes to the Fee Schedule would not affect intermarket nor intramarket competition because none of these changes are designed to amend any fee or rebate or alter the manner in which the

Exchange assesses fees or calculates rebates. These changes are intended to provide greater transparency to Members with regard to how the Exchange access fees and provides rebates.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed</u> 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. <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 Act¹⁶ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)¹⁷ 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:

 Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4 (f)(2).

Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-EDGA-2013-23 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-2013-23. 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 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 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 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-EDGA-2013-23 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 18

Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary

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Exhibit 5

Additions are underlined

Deletions are [bracketed]

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Rebates & Charges for Adding, Removing or Routing Liquidity per [S]share for Tape A, B, & C [S]securities [I,a,b,d]:

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	\$0.0006 ⁴	\$(0.0003) ^{1[,a]}	\$0.0029
Securities below \$1.00	FREE	FREE ^{1[,a]}	0.30% of Dollar Value ^[a]
Standard Flags	B, V, Y, 3, 4	N, W, 6, BB, CR, PR, XR	<u>X</u>

<u>Liquidity Flags:</u> [Liquidity Flags and Associated Fees:]

Flag	Description	Fee/(Rebate) Securities at or above \$1.00	Fee/(Rebate) Securities below \$1.00
A	Routed to NASDAQ, adds liquidity	(0.0020)	FREE
\mathbf{B}^4	Adds liquidity to EDGA [book] (Tape B)	0.0006	FREE

			0.10% of
$C^{[a]}$	Routed to BX	(0.0010)	Dollar Value
$\mathbf{D}^{[a]}$	Routed or re-routed to NYSE	0.0025	0.30% of Dollar Value
F	Routed to NYSE, adds liquidity	(0.0015)	FREE
G	Routed to NYSE Arca (Tapes A & C)	0.0030	0.30% of Dollar Value
I	Routed to EDGX®	0.0029	0.30% of Dollar Value
$\mathbf{J}^{[\mathbf{a}]}$	Routed to NASDAQ	0.0030	0.30% of Dollar Value
K	Routed to PSX using ROUC or ROUE routing strategy	0.0028	0.30% of Dollar Value
L	Routed to NASDAQ using INET routing strategy (Tapes A & C)	0.0030	0.30% of Dollar Value
$\mathbf{M}^{[\mathbf{a}]}$	Routed to LavaFlow, adds liquidity	(0.0024)	FREE
$N^{1[,a]}$	Removes liquidity from EDGA [book] (Tape C)	(0.0003)	FREE
O ^{5[,a]}	Routed to <u>listing</u> [primary] exchange's opening cross	0.0005	0.30% of Dollar Value
P	Routed to EDGX, including pre & post market, adds liquidity	(0.0027)	FREE
Q ^[16]	Routed using ROUQ or ROUC routing strategy and executes at non-exchange destinations	0.0020	0.30% of Dollar Value
R	Re-routed by <u>away</u> exchange	0.0030	0.30% of Dollar Value
S	Directed ISO [order]	0.0032	0.30% of Dollar Value
T	Routed using ROUD/ROUE routing strategy	0.0012	0.30% of Dollar Value
$\mathbf{U}^{[6,a]}$	Routed to LavaFlow	0.00 <u>30</u> [29]	0.30% of Dollar Value
\mathbf{V}^4	Adds liquidity to EDGA [book] (Tape A)	0.0006	FREE
$\mathbf{W}^{1[,a]}$	Removes liquidity from EDGA [book] (Tape A)	(0.0003)	FREE
X	Routed	0.0029	0.30% of Dollar Value
\mathbf{Y}^4	Adds liquidity to EDGA [book] (Tape C)	0.0006	FREE
Z	Routed using ROUZ routing strategy	0.0010	0.30% of Dollar Value

2	Routed to NASDAQ using INET	0.0030	0.30% of
24	routing strategy (Tape B) Adds liquidity – pre & post	0.0006	Dollar Value
34	market (Tapes A or C)	0.0006	FREE
44	Adds liquidity – pre & post market (Tape B)	0.0006	FREE
5	Internalization – pre & post market, per side	0.00015	FREE
6 ^{1[,a]}	Remove <u>s</u> liquidity – pre & post market (All Tapes)	(0.0003)	FREE
7	Routed – pre & post market	0.0027	0.30% of Dollar Value
8	Routed to NYSE MKT LLC, adds liquidity	(0.0015)	FREE
9	Routed to NYSE Arca, adds liquidity (Tapes A or C)	(0.0021)	FREE
10	Routed to NYSE Arca, adds liquidity (Tape B)	(0.0022)	FREE
BB ^{1[,a]}	Removes liquidity from EDGA [book] (Tape B)	(0.0003)	FREE
BY	Routed to BATS BYX Exchange using routing strategies ROUC, ROUE, ROBY, ROBB, or ROCO	(0.0005)	0.10% of Dollar Value
CL ⁹	Routed to listing market closing process, except NYSE Arca & BATS BZX	0.0010	0.30% of Dollar Value
$CR^{1,\underline{12}[13]}$	Removes liquidity from EDGA using eligible routing strategies	(0.0003)	FREE
DM	Non-Displayed Orders, adds liquidity (using Mid[P]point Discretionary order type)	0.0005	0.05% of Dollar Value
DT	Non-Displayed Orders, removes liquidity (using Mid[P]point Discretionary order type)	0.0005	0.05% of Dollar Value
EA	Internalization, adds liquidity	0.00015	FREE
ER	Internalization, removes liquidity	0.00015	FREE
HA ^{[a,]2}	Non-Displayed Orders, adds liquidity	0.0010	0.10% of Dollar Value
HR ^{[a,]2}	Non-Displayed Orders, removes liquidity	0.0010	0.10% of Dollar Value
MT	Routed to EDGX MidPoint Match [MPM] using ICMT, IOCM, ROCO or ROUC routing strategies	0.0012	0.30% of Dollar Value

00	Direct Edge Opening	FREE	FREE
PA	Mid[P]point Routing Strategy (RMPT), adds liquidity	0.0008	FREE
PR ^{1,<u>6</u>[15]}	Removes liquidity from EDGA using eligible routing strategies	(0.0003)	FREE
PT ^{3[17]}	Mid[P]point Routing Strategy (RMPT), removes liquidity	0.0010	FREE
PX ^{3[17]}	Routed using Mid[P]point Routing Strategy (RMPT)	0.0012	0.30% of Dollar Value
RB	Routed to BX, adds liquidity	0.0020	FREE
RC	Routed to NSX, adds liquidity	(0.0026)	FREE
RP	Non-Displayed Orders, adds liquidity (using Route Peg Order)	0.0005	FREE
RR	Routed to EDGX using routing strategies IOCX or IOCT	0.0029	0.30% of Dollar Value
RS	Routed to PSX, adds liquidity	(0.0020)	FREE
RT ¹⁰	Routed using the ROUT or ROOC routing strategy	0.0025	0.30% of Dollar Value
RW	Routed to CBSX, adds liquidity	0.0050	FREE
RX ¹¹	Routed using the ROUX routing strategy	0.0027	0.30% of Dollar Value
RY	Routed to BATS BYX, adds liquidity	0.0007	FREE
RZ	Routed to BATS BZX, adds liquidity	(0.0025)	FREE
SW ⁸	Routed using SWPA/SWPB/SWPC routing strategies (except for removal of liquidity from NYSE)	0.0031	0.30% of Dollar Value
XR ^{1, <u>7</u>[14]}	Removes liquidity from EDGA using eligible routing strategies	(0.0003)	FREE

Definitions:

- Added Flags are defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: B, V, Y, DM, HA, PA, RP, 3 and 4.
- Removal Flags are defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: BB, N, W, CR, DT, HR, PR, PT, XR and 6.
- Routed Flags are defined as the following flags that are counted towards tiers, where applicable: A, C, D, F, G, I, J, K, L, M, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, X, Z, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, BY, CL, PX, RA, RB, RC, RM, RR, RS, RT, RW, RX, RY, RZ and SW.

- Average Daily Volume ("ADV") is defined as the average daily volume of shares that a Member executed on the Exchange for the month in which the fees are calculated.
- Total Consolidated Volume ("TCV") is defined as the 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 in which the fees are calculated.

General Notes:

- The Exchange notes that to the extent a Member does not qualify for any of the tiers listed below, the rates listed in the above section titled "Liquidity Flags" will apply.
- To the extent a Member qualifies for higher rebates and/or lower fees than those provided by a tier for which such Member qualifies, the higher rebates and/or lower fees shall apply.
- Trading activity on days when the market closes early does not count toward volume tiers.
- Upon a Member's request, EDGA will aggregate share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates on a prospective basis.
- Variable rates provided by tiers apply only to executions in securities priced at or above \$1.00.

Footnotes:

¹ All removal rates on EDGA are contingent on the attributed MPID adding (including hidden) and/or routing a minimum <u>ADV</u>[average daily share volume], measured monthly, of 50,000 shares on EDGA. Any attributed MPID not meeting the aforementioned minimum will be charged \$0.0030 per share for removing liquidity from EDGA for securities priced \$1.00 and over and 0.20% of dollar value for securities priced less than \$1.00.

² Rates for Flags HA and HR are contingent upon Member adding or removing greater than 1,000,000 shares non-displayed (hidden) on a daily basis, measured monthly (yields Flags HA, HR, DM, DT and RP) or Member posting greater than 8,000,000 shares (displayed and non-displayed) on a daily basis, measured monthly. For securities priced at or above \$1.00, Members not meeting either minimum will be charged \$0.0030 per share for Flags HA and HR. For securities priced below \$1.00, Members not meeting either minimum will be charged 0.30% of the dollar value of the transaction.

³[Intentionally omitted.] **RMPT Tier:**

<u>Fee per share to</u> <u>Remove/Route</u>	Required Criteria
\$0.0008 yielding flags PT and PX	Execute greater than 2,000,000 shares on a daily basis, measured monthly, using routing strategy RMPT (i.e., receiving flags PA, PT and PX).

⁴ Add Volume Tiers:

The fee to add provided by the below add volume tiers is applicable to the following flags: B, V, Y, 3 and 4.

<u>Tier</u>	Fee per share to Add	Required Criteria
Volume Tier 1	\$0.0004	Add more than 1% of the TCV in ADV on EDGA, including non-displayed orders that add liquidity on a daily basis, measured monthly.
Volume Tier 2	\$0.0004	(1) Add more than 0.25% of the TCV on EDGA, including non-displayed orders that add liquidity; and (2) Remove more than 0.25% of the TCV in ADV on a daily basis, measured monthly.
Step-Up Tier	\$0.0004	On an MPID basis, add more than 0.10% of the TCV on EDGA on a daily basis, measured monthly, more than the MPID's December 2012 added TCV. Where an MPID's December 2012 TCV is zero, then the Exchange applies a default TCV baseline of 10,000,000 shares. Volume from non-displayed orders that add liquidity will count towards this tier.

[If a Member, on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts more than 1% of the Total Consolidated Volume ("TCV") in average daily volume on EDGA, including non-displayed orders that add liquidity, then the Member will be charged \$0.0004 per share for Flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4. 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.

If a Member, on a daily basis, measured monthly, posts more than .25% of the TCV on EDGA, including non-displayed orders that add liquidity, and removes more than .25% of TCV in average daily volume, then the Member will be charged \$0.0004 per share.

If a Member, on an MPID basis, posts more than .10% of the TCV on EDGA, on a daily basis, measured monthly, more than the MPID's December 2012 added TCV, then the MPID will be charged \$0.0004 per share for Flags B, V, Y, 3 and 4. Where an MPID's December 2012 TCV is zero, then the Exchange applies a default TCV baseline of 10 million shares. Volume from non-displayed orders that add liquidity will count towards this tier.]

⁵ Capped at \$10,000 per month per Member.

⁶ The eligible routing strategies for Flag PR are ROUZ, ROUD, or ROUQ. [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).]

⁷ [Intentionally omitted.] <u>The eligible routing strategies for Flag XR are ROUX, RODX, ROPA, INET, ROBB, ROBY, ROBX, ROBA, SWPA, SWPB, SWPC, ROLF, IOCX, or IOCM.</u>

⁸ Flag D <u>will be yielded</u> [is assigned] if an SWPA, SWPB, or SWPC routing strategy removes liquidity from NYSE.

⁹ [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 process.

¹⁰ [A] Flag ["]RX["] will be yielded [and a fee of \$0.0027 per share will be assessed when] <u>if an</u> order is routed to EDGX [Exchange] using the ROUT routing strategy.

¹¹ [A] Flag ["]I["] will be yielded [and a fee of \$0.0030 per share will be assessed when] <u>if an order is routed to EDGX[Exchange] using the ROUX routing strategy</u>.

¹² The eligible routing strategies for Flag CR are ROUT, ROUE, ROUE, ROUC, ROCO, IOCT, or ICMT. [Intentionally omitted.

¹³ The eligible routing strategies for Flag CR are ROUT, RDOT, ROUE, ROUC, ROCO, IOCT, or ICMT.

¹⁴ The eligible routing strategies for Flag XR are ROUX, ROOX, ROPA, INET, ROBB, ROBY, ROBX, ROBA, SWPA, SWPB, SWPC, ROLF, IOCX, or IOCM.

¹⁵ The eligible routing strategies for Flag PR are ROUZ, ROUD, or ROUQ.

¹⁶ If a Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the TCV in ADV on EDGA and routes 2.5 million shares through the use of Flag Q, then the Member's rate for Flag Q decreases to \$0.0015 per share. If a Member executes greater than or equal to an average daily volume of 12 million shares using the ROUC routing strategy and yielding Flags C, D, I, K, Q, X, BY, CR and MT, then the Member's rate for Flag Q decreases to \$0.0015 per share.

If a Member posts greater than or equal to 0.30% of the TCV in ADV on EDGA and routes 5 million shares through the use of Flag Q, then the Member's rate for Flag Q decreases to \$0.0010 per share.

d] Late Fees:

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.

Port Fees:

[The following fees are effective July 1, 2013:]

	[Amount] <u>Fee</u>	Billable Unit	[Frequency]
Direct Sessions (FIX, <u>EDGE</u> [Edge] XPRS [®] (HP-API), Data, DROP, EdgeRisk <u>PortsSM</u>) Logical Port Fees*	\$500 <u>/month</u> [.00]	Session	[Monthly]

^{*}First two (2) Direct Logical Ports are provided free of charge.

Ports used to request a re-transmission of market data from the Exchange are provided free of charge.

EdgeRisk Gateway Fees:

[Effective upon the operative date of SR-EDGA-2013-16]

Members and non-Members must pay a monthly fee for each EdgeRisk Gateway pair per the table below:

	[Amount] <u>Fee</u>	[Frequency]
EdgeRisk Gateway Pair	\$5,000/month	[Monthly]

Physical Connectivity Fees:

[Effective May 1, 2013

¹⁷ If a Member executes greater than 2 million shares per day, measured monthly, using routing strategy RMPT (i.e., receiving flags PA, PT and PX), then the Member's rates for PT and PX are reduced to \$0.0008 per share.

^a Upon a Member's request, EDGA will aggregate share volume calculations for wholly owned affiliates on a prospective basis.

^b Trading activity on days when the market closes early does not count toward volume tiers.

^c Reserved.

Members and non-members must pay a monthly fee for physical connectivity per the table below:]

Connection Service Type	[Monthly] Fee per Physical Port
1 Gb Copper	\$500 <u>/month</u>
1 Gb Fiber	\$1,000 <u>/month</u>
10 Gb Fiber	\$2,000 <u>/month</u>

Membership Fees:

[The following fees are effective September 1, 2011:]

Membership Fee Type	Tier Details	Fee
Firm Membership	N/A	\$2,000/year ¹
Trading Rights	N/A	\$300/month ²
MPID Fee – Tier 1	0 to 5 MPIDs	\$0
MPID Fee – Tier 2	More than 5 MPIDs	\$250/month ³

¹ If a Member is pending a voluntary termination of rights as a Member pursuant to Rule 2.8 prior to the date any Annual Membership Fee for a given year will be assessed (i.e., September 1, 2011, January 1, 2012, etc.) and the Member does not utilize the facilities of EDGA during such time, then the Member will not be obligated to pay the Annual Membership Fee.

EdgeBook Depth $\frac{SM}{}$ Fees:

[The fees for EdgeBook Depth A are as follows:]

Delivery	Fee		
Internal Distributor	\$500/month		
External Distributor	\$2,500/month		

EdgeBook Attributed $\underline{^{SM}}$ Fees:

[Effective February 1, 2013]

In addition to EdgeBook Depth A fees, as described above, all subscribers to EdgeBook Attributed^[SM] will also incur the following fees:

Delivery	Fee		
Internal Distributor	\$2,500/month		

² Prior to the September 1, 2011 implementation date for these fee changes, the Exchange will waive monthly Trading Rights fees if a Member is pending a voluntary termination of rights pursuant to Rule 2.8.

³ Prior to the September 1, 2011 implementation date for these fee changes, the Exchange will waive monthly MPID fees if a Member is pending a voluntary termination of rights pursuant to Rule 2.8.

External Distributor	\$5,000/month
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A "Distributor" of Exchange data is any entity that receives a market data feed directly from the Exchange or indirectly through another entity and then distributes it either internally (within that entity) ("Internal Distributor") or externally (outside that entity) ("External Distributor"). All Distributors shall execute a Market Data Vendor Agreement with Direct Edge, Inc., acting on behalf of [the]EDGA Exchange, Inc.

Edge Attribution Incentive Program:

[Effective February 1, 2013,] Members who enter Attributable Orders into the Exchange's System in at least 100 symbols over 10 consecutive trading days over the course of a month are eligible to participate in the Edge Attribution Incentive Program. Each month, the Exchange will set aside 25% of the revenue generated in connection with fees received from EdgeBook Attributed (the "Revenue Allotment"). From the Revenue Allotment, the Exchange will provide a payment to eligible Members who qualified for the Edge Attribution Incentive Program based on the percentage of executed share volume from their Attributable Orders entered into the Exchange's System.

Edge Routed Liquidity Report Fees[Pricing]:

[The following fees will begin to be assessed after the operative date of filing SR-EDGA-2012-38:]

Service	Data Received	Price
Standard Report	Rolling 30 days	\$500/month
Standard Report	Calendar Month Request	\$500/month requested
Premium Report	Rolling 30 days	\$1,500/month
Premium Report	Calendar Month Request	\$1,500/month requested

EdgeBook Cloud[®] **Fees**[Pricing]:

	Data		Delivery	
Service	Received	Price	Charge	Notes
	Rolling			Firms may request any of the last
Replay	30 days	\$500/month	None	30 days.
		\$500/month		Firms may request as many
		requested with		months as they want. If the firm
	Calendar	a cap to \$2,500		requests more than 1TB, the firm
	Month	if less than or		will be charged an additional
Replay	Request	equal to 1TB.	At Cost	\$2,500.

	Result as	\$750/month		\$5/GB Overage Charge for any
FlexDownload	queried	(up to and	At Cost	overage beyond paid subscription

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		including		
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		\$2,500/month		
		(>800GB, but		
	Result as	< or equal to		\$3/GB Overage Charge for any
FlexDownload	queried	1TB)	At Cost	overage beyond paid subscription
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	Result as	\$500/10,000		
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	Result as	\$750/50,000		is related to the total quantity of
Snapshot	queried	Hits/month	None	quotes and trades, on the
				Exchange, of a given security
				relative to the quantity of quotes
				and trades of all other securities
				trading on the exchange. Activity
				Levels are High (3), Medium (2),
				or Low (1), and are determined
				on a monthly basis pursuant to a
	Result as	\$1000/250,000		review of the previous three
Snapshot	queried	Hits/month	None	month's activity for the security.