SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations: NYSE MKT LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Change Amending the Fees for NYSE MKT Proprietary Market Data as They Apply to Federal Agency Customers


Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”) and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that, on February 26, 2016, NYSE MKT LLC (the “Exchange” or “NYSE MKT”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the fees for NYSE MKT proprietary market data as they apply to Federal agency customers. The proposed change is available on the Exchange’s Web site at www.nyse.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the self-regulatory organization included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of those 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. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend the NYSE MKT Equities Proprietary Market Data Fee Schedule (“Fee Schedule”), to provide that market data fees do not apply to any Federal agency for their use of NYSE MKT real-time proprietary market data products. The term “Federal agency” as used in the Fee Schedule would include all Federal agencies subject to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), as well as any Federal agency not subject to FAR that has promulgated its own procurement rules.

The Exchange is proposing to specify that access fees, professional user fees and non-display fees do not apply to Federal agencies for those products to which those fees apply. The proposal is designed to allow the Exchange to provide Federal agencies with NYSE MKT real-time proprietary market data products at no cost in support of Federal agencies’ regulatory responsibilities. With the adoption of the proposed fee waiver, the Exchange is not waiving any of its contractual rights and all Federal agencies that subscribe to NYSE MKT real-time proprietary market data products will be required to execute the appropriate subscriber agreement, which include, among other things, provisions against the redistribution of data.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act, in general, and Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act, in particular, in that it provides an equitable allocation of reasonable fees among users and recipients of the data and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination among customers, issuers, and brokers.

The Exchange believes the proposal to eliminate the access fees, display fees for professional users, and non-display fees associated with its proprietary market data products for customers that are Federal agencies is reasonable, equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because it is designed to facilitate federal government regulation without giving an undue advantage to one set of commercial users over another. The Exchange believes that it is reasonable to assess no fees to Federal agencies that subscribe to the Exchange’s proprietary market data products because Federal agencies do not use the Exchange’s proprietary market data for commercial gain, but only for regulatory purposes.

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 that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. In setting the proposed fees, the Exchange considered the competitiveness of the market for proprietary data and all of the implications of that competition. The Federal agencies that will benefit from the proposed rule change, however, do not use the Exchange’s proprietary market data products for commercial purposes and do not compete with commercial users of the data. The Exchange believes that it has considered all relevant factors and has not considered irrelevant factors in order to establish fair, reasonable, and not unreasonably discriminatory fees and an equitable allocation of fees among all users.

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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The foregoing rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b–4 thereunder, because it establishes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange.

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. If the Commission takes such action, the
Commission shall institute proceedings
under Section 19(b)(2)(B)1 11 of the Act to
determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or
disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and
arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act.
Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

• Use the Commission’s Internet
comment form ([http://www.sec.gov/
rules/sro.shtml]; or

• Send an email to rule-
comments@sec.gov. Please include File
Number SR-NYSEMKT–2016–32 on the
subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate
to Secretary, Securities and Exchange
Commission, 100 F Street NE.,
Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File
Number SR–NYSEMKT–2016–32. This
file number should be included on the
subject line if email is used. To help the
Commission process and review your
comments more efficiently, please use
only one method. The Commission will
post all comments on the Commission’s
Internet Web site ([http://www.sec.gov/
rules/sro.shtml]). Copies of the
submission, all subsequent
amendments, all written statements
with respect to the proposed rule change
that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the
proposed rule change between the
Commission and any person, other than
those that may be withheld from the
public in accordance with the
provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be
available for Web site 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–
NYSEMKT–2016–32 and should be
submitted on or before March 29, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of
Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated
authority.12

Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; The
NASDAQ Stock Market LLC; Notice of
Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of
Proposed Rule Change To Amend
Access Services Fees Under Rule 7015


Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(“Act”),1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,2
notice is hereby given that on February
23, 2016, The NASDAQ Stock Market
LLC (“Exchange”) filed with the
Securities and Exchange Commission
(“SEC” or “Commission”) the proposed
rule change as described in Items I, II,
and III, below, which Items have been
prepared by the Exchange. The
Commission is publishing this notice to
solicit comments on the proposed rule
change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s
Statement of the Terms of Substance
of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to a proposal
to [sic] amend the Exchange’s Access
Services fees under Rule 7015 to: (i)
Assess a $25/port/month Disaster
Recovery Port fee applied to FIX
Trading Port [sic], OUCH, RASH, and
DROP protocol disaster recovery ports;
and (ii) assess a $100/port/month fee for Trading Ports
used in Test Mode.

First Change

The Exchange is in the process of
transitioning its Disaster Recovery
(“DR”) functionality for the U.S.
equities and options markets from
Ashburn, VA to its new Chicago, IL data
center. The Exchange has invested and
installed new equipment in the Chicago
data center for client connectivity and
for the infrastructure of Exchange
systems. The Exchange chose Chicago as
the location of its new DR data center
as many other exchanges are using this
same location for a disaster recovery or
a primary location and, as a result,
many of our market participants have a
presence or connection at this location,
thus making it easier and less expensive
for many market participants to connect
to the Exchange for DR.

Under Rule 7015, member firms may
subscribe to DR ports, which provide
backup connectivity in the event of a
failure or disaster rendering their
primary connectivity at Carteret, NJ
subscribed to under Rule 7015
unavailable. To date, the Exchange has
transitioned its FIX Trading Ports,
OUCH, RASH, and DROP Ports to the
Chicago center from Ashburn.
Currently, the Exchange does not assess
a fee for any DR ports.

The Exchange has incurred an initial
cost associated with moving DR ports to
the Chicago center, including the
purchase of upgraded hardware and
physical space to house the DR ports,
which is more expensive than the
Ashburn location. The Exchange also
incurs ongoing costs in maintaining the
DR ports, including costs incurred
maintaining servers and their physical