update and modernize Rule 506 will make Rule 506 clearer and easier to use to the benefit of market participants.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended. While the Exchange does not believe that the proposed non-controversial change is a burden on competition, or is competitive in nature, the Exchange believes that clearer, updated rules are always beneficial to market participants.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder in that it effects a change that: (i) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

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; (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.

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);
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR–Phlx–2016–22 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–Phlx–2016–22. 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 such 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–Phlx–2016–22, and should be submitted on or before March 10, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.17

Robert W. Errett,
Deputy Secretary.

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16 17 CFR § 240.19b–4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b– 4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations: NYSE MKT LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Modifying the Amex Options Deep Market Data Product

February 11, 2016.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)2 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,3 notice is hereby given that on February 4, 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 and II 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 modify the Amex Options Deep market data product. The proposed rule 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 modify the Amex Options Deep market data product.
The Exchange currently offers the following real-time options market data feeds: “Amex Options Top,” “Amex Options Deep,” and “Amex Options Complex” (the “Amex Options Products”). “Amex Options Top” is a single market data product that combines last sale data, best bids and offers (“BBO”), order imbalance information and series status and underlying status messages (collectively called security status messages). “Amex Options Deep” is also a single market data product that provides subscribers NYSE Amex Options quote and trade information (including orders/quotes, requests for responses, and trades) for the complex order book on a real-time basis. The Exchange charges a single fee for Amex Options Top and subscribers of Amex Options Top receive all three data feeds for free. The Exchange charges a separate fee for Amex Options Complex for subscribers that seek to obtain this data feed on a standalone basis.

The Exchange proposes to modify the Amex Options Deep data feed. As proposed, Amex Options Deep will also include security status messages, the same data that is currently provided as part of Amex Options Top. The proposed modification to the Amex Options Deep data feed will allow subscribers who currently obtain depth of market data to also receive security status messages in a single data feed. Currently, these subscribers are required to process two data feeds to get the depth of market data and security status information. Offering a data product that combines, in one market data product, depth of market data and security status messages would provide greater efficiencies and better sequencing for vendors and subscribers that currently choose to integrate the data after receiving it from the Exchange. As with Amex Options Top, Amex Options Deep would provide depth of market and series status information on a real-time basis as reported to the Options Price Reporting Authority (“OPRA”) and disseminated on a consolidated basis under the OPRA Plan. The Amex Options Products would continue to be distributed in their current format, to maintain the format of the Amex Options Products with that of other market data products offered by the Exchange.

The Exchange does not propose to make any changes to the fees. The single fee charged for the Amex Options Product that comprise [sic] the Amex Options Top, Amex Options Deep and Amex Options Complex would continue to apply. The separate fee that now applies to Amex Options Complex, would likewise continue to apply to the Amex Options Complex market data product.

Each of the Amex Options Products would continue to be offered through the Exchange’s Liquidity Center Network (“LCN”), a local area network in the Exchange’s Mahwah, New Jersey data center that is available to users of the Exchange’s co-location services. The Exchange would also continue to offer the products through the Exchange’s Secure Financial Transaction Infrastructure (“SFTI”) network, through which all other users and member organizations access the Exchange’s trading and execution systems.

The proposed rule change is not intended to address any issues other than those described herein, and the Exchange is not aware of any problems that vendors or subscribers would have in complying with the proposed change.

2. Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) 8 of the Act, in general, and further the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) 9 of the Act, in particular, that it is 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 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, and it is not designed to permit unfair discrimination among customers, brokers, or dealers.

The Exchange also believes this proposal is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act because it protects investors and the public interest and promotes just and equitable principles of trade by providing investors with improved options for receiving market data. The proposed rule changes would benefit investors by facilitating their prompt access to the additional real-time information contained in a modified Amex Options Deep market data product.

In particular, the Exchange believes that combining depth of market data with security status messages in the Amex Options Deep product is reasonable because it would provide greater efficiencies for vendors and subscribers that currently choose to integrate the data after receiving it from the Exchange. In addition, the change to the Amex Options Deep product reflects the interests and needs of subscribers and vendors who will no longer have to subscribe to multiple data feeds to obtain the information they want. The Exchange believes the proposed changes are reasonable because they would provide vendors and subscribers with higher quality market data products.

In adopting Regulation NMS, the Commission granted self-regulatory

4 See Rule 900.3NY(e), which defines complex orders.


6 The OPRA Plan is a national market system plan approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) pursuant to Section 11A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”) and Rule 608 thereunder (formerly Rule 11Aa–2). See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 17638 (March 18, 1981), 22 S.E.C. Docket 484 (March 31, 1981). The full text of the OPRA Plan is available at http://www.opraproducta.com. The OPRA Plan provides for the collection and dissemination of last sale and quotation information on options that are traded on the participant exchanges under certain circumstances. The manner in which the Exchange proposes to disseminate the products would comply with Section 5.2(c) of the OPRA Plan. The Exchange does not believe that combining depth of market data and security status messages through a single data feed will allow subscribers that currently choose to integrate the data after receiving it from the Exchange. The proposed rule change is not intended to make any fee changes associated with the proposed modification to the Amex Options Deep market data product.

7 The Exchange has not attached an Exhibit 5 with this proposed rule change because the Exchange is not proposing to make any fee changes associated with the proposed modification to the Amex Options Deep market data product.
organizations and broker-dealers increased authority and flexibility to offer new and unique market data to consumers of such data. It was believed that this authority would expand the amount of data available to users and consumers of such data and also spur innovation and competition for the provision of market data. The Exchange believes that the options data product changes proposed herein are precisely the sort of market data product evolutions that the Commission envisioned when it adopted Regulation NMS. The Commission concluded that Regulation NMS—by lessening regulation of the market in proprietary data—would itself further the Act’s goals of facilitating efficiency and competition:

Efficiency is promoted when broker-dealers who do not need the data beyond the prices, sizes, market center identifications of the NBBO and consolidated last sale information are not required to receive (and pay for) such data. The Commission also believes that efficiency is promoted when broker-dealers may choose to receive (and pay for) additional market data based on their own internal analysis of the need for such data.10

By removing “unnecessary regulatory restrictions” on the ability of exchanges to sell their own data, Regulation NMS advanced the goals of the Act and the principles reflected in its legislative history.

The Exchange further notes that the existence of alternatives to the Exchange’s products, including real-time consolidated data, free delayed consolidated data, and proprietary data from other sources, ensures that the Exchange is not unreasonably discriminatory because vendors and subscribers can elect these alternatives.

The proposed options data products will help to protect a free and open market by providing additional data to the marketplace and give investors greater choices. In addition, the proposal would not permit unfair discrimination because the products will be available to all of the Exchange’s customers and broker-dealers through both the LCN and SFTI.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

In accordance with Section 6(b)(8) of the Act,11 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. The market for proprietary data products is currently competitive and inherently contestable because there is fierce competition for the inputs necessary to the creation of proprietary data. Numerous exchanges compete with each other for listings, trades, and market data itself, providing virtually limitless opportunities for entrepreneurs who wish to produce and distribute their own market data. This proprietary data is produced by each individual exchange, as well as other entities (such as internalizing broker-dealers and various forms of alternative trading systems, including dark pools and electronic communication networks), in a vigorously competitive market. It is common for market participants to further and exploit this competition by sending their order flow and transaction reports to multiple markets, rather than providing them all to a single market.

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 Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder.12 Because the 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 prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b–4(f)(6)13 normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b4(f)(6)(iii),14 the Commission may designate a shorter time if such

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

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to the Co-Location Services Offered by the Exchange To Include a Means for Co-Located Users To Receive the NASDAQ TotalView Ultra Market Data Feed Through a Wireless Connection and Reflect Changes to the Exchange Price List

February 11, 2016.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)2 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,3 notice is hereby given that, on February 2, 2016, New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE” or the “Exchange”) 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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to change the co-location services offered by the Exchange to include a means for co-located Users to receive the NASDAQ TotalView Ultra (FGPA) market data feed through a wireless connection. In addition, the proposed rule change reflects changes to the Exchange’s Price List related to the proposed service.

The Exchange has prepared summaries, of those statements may be examined 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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to change the co-location services offered by the Exchange to include a means for Users to have access to the NASDAQ TotalView Ultra (FGPA) market data feed through a wireless connection. In addition, the proposed rule change reflects changes to the Exchange’s Price List related to the proposed service.

The Commission has approved the Exchange’s proposed rule change to provide a wireless connection to five market data feeds from third party markets.6 The Exchange now proposes to add to its Price List a sixth market data feed, NASDAQ TotalView Ultra (FGPA) (“TotalView Ultra” and, together with the previously filed five market data feeds, the “Third Party Data”).

As with the previously approved connectivity to Third Party Data through the wireless connection, the Exchange would utilize a network vendor to provide a wireless connection to TotalView Ultra through wireless connections from an Exchange access center to its data center in Mahwah, New Jersey, through a series of towers equipped with wireless equipment. To receive TotalView Ultra, the User would enter into a contract with NASDAQ, which would charge the User the applicable market data fees for TotalView Ultra. The Exchange would charge the User fees for the wireless connection to TotalView Ultra.7

For each wireless connection to TotalView Ultra, a User would be charged a $5,000 non-recurring initial charge and a monthly recurring charge (“MRC”) of $11,000. The Exchange proposes to revise its Price List to reflect fees related to the connection to TotalView Ultra.

As with the previously approved wireless connections to Third Party Data, if a User purchased two wireless connections, it would pay two non-recurring initial charges, and the wireless connection would include the use of one port for connectivity to Third Party Data.8 Also as with the previously approved wireless connections to Third Party Data, the Exchange proposes to specified in the Price List, a User that incurs co-location fees for a particular co-location service pursuant thereto would not be subject to co-location fees for the same co-location service charged by the Exchange’s affiliates NYSE MKT LLC and NYSE Arca, Inc. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 70206 (August 15, 2013), 78 FR 51765 (August 21, 2013) (SR–NYSE–2013–59).

The Exchange initially filed rule changes relating to its co-location services with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) in 2010. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62960 (September 21, 2010), 75 FR 59310 (September 27, 2010) (SR–NYSE–2010–56). The Exchange operates a data center in Mahwah, New Jersey (the “data center”) from which it provides co-location services to Users.5


8 A User only requires one port to connect to the Third Party Data, irrespective of how many of the wireless connections it orders. It may, however, purchase additional ports. See Wireless Approval Release, at 81610.