

February 4, 2016

Brent J. Fields Secretary Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549-1090

Re:

File No. SR-BATS-2015-102

Partial Amendment No. 2

Dear Mr. Fields:

Attached please find the partial Amendment No. 1 to the above referenced filing which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission today.

Very truly yours,

Chris Solgar

Assistant General Counsel

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Partial Amendment No. 2 to SR-BATS-2015-102

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² BATS Exchange, Inc. ("BZX" or the "Exchange") previously submitted a rule filing (SR-BATS-2015-102) on November 13, 2015, which proposed to adopt Exchange Rule 11.27 to implement the Regulation NMS Plan to Implement a Tick Size Pilot Program ("Plan").³ Specifically, the Exchange proposed Rule 11.27(b) to set forth the requirements for the collection and transmission of data pursuant to Appendices B and C of the Plan. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on December 1, 2015.⁴ The Commission received one comment letter in response to the proposed rule change.⁵ The Exchange submitted a response to that comment letter on February 1, 2016.⁶

The Exchange is now submitting this partial Amendment No. 2 to make a technical change and to modify one of the data collection requirements set forth in

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 74892 (May 6, 2015), 80 FR 27513 (May 13, 2015) ("Approval Order").

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76524 (November 25, 2015), 80 FR 75141.

See Letter from Mary Lou Von Kaenel, Managing Director, Financial Industry Forum, to the Commission, dated December 22, 2015.

See Letter from Chris Solgan, Assistant General Counsel, BATS Global Markets, Inc., to the Commission, dated February 1, 2016.

the proposed rule.⁷ The technical change is to remove an erroneous cross reference within proposed Rule 11.27(b)(4) in the Exhibit 5 and make corresponding changes to the pending Form 19b-4 and Exhibit 1.

With this partial Amendment No. 2 the Exchange is also including: (i) Exhibit (4) (see below), which reflects changes to the text of the proposed rule change made pursuant to this partial Amendment No. 2, marked to show additions to the text as proposed in the original filing; and (ii) Exhibit 5 (see below) which reflects the changes to the current rule text that are proposed in the proposed rule change, as amended by this partial Amendment No. 2.

The second proposed change relates to the reference in Interpretations and Policies .03 to "dually-listed securities." Currently, Interpretations and Policies .03 requires, for dually-listed-securities, that the Participant indicate whether the order was handled domestically or routed to a foreign venue. For purposes of Appendix B.II, the Participant will classify all orders in dually-listed Pilot and Pre-Pilot Data Collection Securities as: (1) directed to a domestic venue for execution; (2) may only be directed to a foreign venue for execution; or (3) was fully or partially directed to a foreign venue at the discretion of the member. This proposed foreign routing flag will allow for the identification of orders that were routed to foreign venues not subject to the Plan's quoting and trading requirements. The Exchange proposes to change the references in Interpretations

The Exchange submitted to the Commission Amendment No. 1 to this filing on February 1, 2016. On February 2, 2016, the Exchange withdrew Amendment No. 1.

and Policies .03 from "dually-listed securities" to "securities that may trade in a foreign market" to clarify that foreign routing information will only be required for securities that trade in a foreign market.

The Exchange believes that its proposal, as amended, remains consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁸ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act⁹ in particular, in that it is designed 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. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule changes proposed by this partial Amendment No. 2 are consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the amendment corrects a technical error included in the initial filing. The Exchange also believes the change in Interpretations and Policies .03 from dually-listed securities to securities that may trade in a foreign market is also consistent with the Act because this change will clarify that foreign routing information will only be required for securities that trade in a foreign market.

The Exchange believes that good cause for accelerated effectiveness of this partial Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change exists in light of the fact that the Commission previously published a notice in the Federal Register in

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

relation to the initial rule filing, the comment period in relation to that notice has concluded, and the modifications to the proposed rule changes proposed by this Amendment No. 2 are consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the amendment corrects a technical error included in the initial filing and clarifies that foreign routing information will only be required for securities that trade in a foreign market. Therefore, the Exchange respectfully requests acceleration of the effectiveness of this Amendment No. 2.

EXHIBIT 4

Exhibit 4 shows the changes proposed in this partial Amendment No. 2, with the proposed changes in the original filing shown as if adopted. Proposed new language in this partial Amendment No. 2 is <u>underlined</u>; proposed deletions in this partial Amendment No. 2 are in [brackets].

- Rule 11.27. Compliance with Regulation NMS Plan to Implement a Tick Size Pilot
 - (a) Compliance with Quoting and Trading Restrictions
 - (1) Reserved.
 - (b) Compliance with Data Collection Requirements
 - (1) (3) (No change).
 - (4) Market Maker Profitability
 - (A) A Member that is a Market Maker shall collect and transmit to their DEA the data described in Item I of Appendix C of the Plan[, as modified by paragraph (c) below,] with respect to executions on any Trading Center that have settled or reached settlement date. Market Makers shall transmit such data in a [pipe delimited] format required their DEA by 12:00 p.m. EST on T+4 for executions during and outside of Regular Trading Hours in each:
 - (i) (ii) (No change).
 - (5) (No change).
- .01 .02 (No change).
- .03 For purposes of Appendix B.I, the field "Affected by Limit-Up Limit-Down bands" shall be included. A Trading Center shall report a value of "Y" to their DEA when the

ability of an order to execute has been affected by the Limit-Up Limit-Down (LULD) bands in effect at the time of order receipt. A Trading Center shall report a value of "N" to their DEA when the ability of an order to execute has not been affected by the LULD bands in effect at the time of order receipt. For purposes of Appendix B.I, the Participants shall classify all orders in [dually-listed] Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as: (1) fully executed domestically or (2) fully or partially executed on a foreign market. For purposes of Appendix B.II, the Participants shall classify all orders in [dually-listed] Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as: (1) directed to a domestic venue for execution; (2) may only be directed to a foreign venue for execution; or (3) fully or partially directed to a foreign venue at the discretion of the Member.

.04 - .11 (No change).

EXHIBIT 5

Proposed new language is underlined; proposed deletions are marked by [brackets].

- Rule 11.27. Compliance with Regulation NMS Plan to Implement a Tick Size Pilot
 - (a) Compliance with Quoting and Trading Restrictions
 - (1) Reserved.
 - (b) Compliance with Data Collection Requirements
 - (1) Policies and Procedures Requirement. A Member that operates a Trading Center shall establish, maintain and enforce written policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to comply with the data collection and transmission requirements of Items I and II of Appendix B of the Plan, and a Member that is a Market Maker shall establish, maintain and enforce written policies and procedures that are reasonably designed to comply with the data collection and transmission requirements of Item IV of Appendix B of the Plan and Item I of Appendix C of the Plan.
 - (2) The Exchange shall collect and transmit to the SEC the data described in Items I and II of Appendix B of the Plan relating to trading activity in Pre-Pilot Securities and Pilot Securities on a Trading Center operated by the Exchange.

 The Exchange shall transmit such data to the SEC in a pipe delimited format, on a disaggregated basis by Trading Center, within 30 calendar days following month end for:

- (A) Each Pre-Pilot Data Collection Security for the period

 beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period through the trading day

 immediately preceding the Pilot Period; and
- (B) Each Pilot Security for the period beginning on the first day of the Pilot Period through six months after the end of the Pilot Period.

 The Exchange also shall make such data publicly available on the Exchange web site on a monthly basis at no charge and shall not identify the Member that generated the data.
 - (3) Daily Market Maker Participation Statistics Requirement
 - (A) A Member that is a Market Maker shall collect and transmit to their DEA data relating to Item IV of Appendix B of the Plan, with respect to activity conducted on any Trading Center in Pre-Pilot Securities and Pilot Securities in furtherance of its status as a Market Maker, including a Trading Center that executes trades otherwise than on a national securities exchange, for transactions that have settled or reached settlement date.

 Market Makers shall transmit such data in a format required by their DEA by 12:00 p.m. EST on T+4:
 - (i) For transactions in each Pre-Pilot Data Collection

 Security for the period beginning six months prior to the Pilot

 Period through the trading day immediately preceding the Pilot

 Period; and
 - (ii) For transactions in each Pilot Security for the period beginning on the first day of the Pilot Period through six months

after the end of the Pilot Period.

(B) The Exchange shall transmit the data collected by the DEA pursuant to paragraph (3)(A) above relating to Market Maker activity on a Trading Center operated by the Exchange to the SEC in a pipe delimited format within 30 calendar days following month end. The Exchange shall also make such data publicly available on the Exchange web site on a monthly basis at no charge and shall not identify the Trading Center that generated the data.

(4) Market Maker Profitability

- (A) A Member that is a Market Maker shall collect and transmit to their DEA the data described in Item I of Appendix C of the Plan with respect to executions on any Trading Center that have settled or reached settlement date. Market Makers shall transmit such data in a format required their DEA by 12:00 p.m. EST on T+4 for executions during and outside of Regular Trading Hours in each:
 - (i) Pre-Pilot Data Collection Security for the period

 beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period through the trading
 day immediately preceding the Pilot Period; and
 - (ii) Pilot Security for the period beginning on the first day

 of the Pilot Period through six months after the end of the Pilot

 Period.
- (5) Market Maker Registration Statistics. The Exchange shall collect and transmit to the SEC the data described in Item III of Appendix B of the Plan

relating to daily Market Maker registration statistics in a pipe delimited format within 30 calendar days following month end for:

- (A) For transactions in each Pre-Pilot Data Collection Security for the period beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period through the trading day immediately preceding the Pilot Period; and
- (B) For transactions in each Pilot Security for the period beginning on the first day of the Pilot Period through six months after the end of the Pilot Period.

Interpretations and Policies.

- .01 The terms used in this Rule 11.27 shall have the same meaning as provided in the Plan, unless otherwise specified.
- .02 For purposes of the reporting requirement in Appendix B.II.(n), a Trading Center shall report "Y" to their DEA where it is relying upon the Retail Investor Order exception to Test Groups Two and Three, and "N" in all other instances.
- .03 For purposes of Appendix B.I, the field "Affected by Limit-Up Limit-Down bands" shall be included. A Trading Center shall report a value of "Y" to their DEA when the ability of an order to execute has been affected by the Limit-Up Limit-Down (LULD) bands in effect at the time of order receipt. A Trading Center shall report a value of "N" to their DEA when the ability of an order to execute has not been affected by the LULD bands in effect at the time of order receipt. For purposes of Appendix B.I, the Participants shall classify all orders in Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as: (1) fully executed domestically or (2) fully or partially executed on a foreign market. For purposes of Appendix B.II, the Participants shall classify all orders

in Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as: (1) directed to a domestic venue for execution; (2) may only be directed to a foreign venue for execution; or (3) fully or partially directed to a foreign venue at the discretion of the Member.

.04 For purposes of Appendix B.I.a(14), B.I.a(15), B.I.a(21) and B.I.a(22), the time ranges shall be changed as follows:

- (a) Appendix B.I.a(14A): The cumulative number of shares of orders executed from 100 microseconds to less than 1 millisecond after the time of order receipt;
- (b) Appendix B.I.a(15): The cumulative number of shares of orders executed from 1 millisecond to less than 100 milliseconds after the time of order receipt;
- (c) Appendix B.I.a(21A): The cumulative number of shares of orders canceled from 100 microseconds to less than 1 millisecond after the time of order receipt; and (d) Appendix B.I.a(22): The cumulative number of shares of orders canceled from 1 millisecond to less than 100 milliseconds after the time of order receipt.

 .05 For purposes of Appendix B.I.a(31)-(33), the relevant measurement is the time of

order receipt.

- .06 For purposes of Appendix B, the following order types and numbers shall be included and assigned the following numbers: "not held" orders (18); clean cross orders (19); auction orders (20); and orders that cannot otherwise be classified, including orders received when the NBBO is crossed (21).
- .07 A Member shall not be deemed a Trading Center for purposes of Appendix B of the Plan where that Member only executes orders otherwise than on a national securities exchange for the purpose of: (i) correcting a bona fide error related to the execution of a customer order; (ii) purchases a security from a customer at a nominal price solely for

purposes of liquidating the customer's position; or (iii) completing the fractional share portion of an order.

.08 A Trading Center shall begin the data collection required pursuant to Appendix

B.I.a(1) through B.II.(y) of the Plan and Item I of Appendix C of the Plan on April 4,

2016. The requirement that the Exchange or their DEA provide information to the SEC within 30 days following month end and make certain data publicly available on the Exchange's or DEA's web site pursuant to Appendix B and C of the Plan shall commence at the beginning of the Pilot Period.

.09 For purposes of Item I of Appendix C, the Participants shall calculate daily Market Maker realized profitability statistics for each trading day on a daily last in, first out (LIFO) basis using reported trade price and shall include only trades executed on the subject trading day. The daily LIFO calculation shall not include any positions carried over from previous trading days. For purposes of Item I.c of Appendix C, the Participants shall calculate daily Market Maker unrealized profitability statistics for each trading day on an average price basis. Specifically, the Participants must calculate the volume weighted average price of the excess (deficit) of buy volume over sell volume for the current trading day using reported trade price. The gain (loss) of the excess (deficit) of buy volume over sell volume shall be determined by using the volume weighted average price compared to the closing price of the security as reported by the primary listing exchange. In calculating unrealized trading profits, the Participant also shall report the number of excess (deficit) shares held by the Market Maker, the volume weighted average price of that excess (deficit), and the closing price of the security as reported by the primary listing exchange used in reporting unrealized profit.

Participants for purposes of the data collection requirements described in Items I, II and IV of Appendix B and Item I of Appendix C of the Plan for the period beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period and ending on the trading day immediately preceding the Pilot Period. The Participants shall compile the list of Pre-Pilot Data Collection

Securities by selecting all NMS stocks with a market capitalization of \$5 billion or less, a Consolidated Average Daily Volume (CADV) of 2 million shares or less and a closing price of \$1 per share or more. The market capitalization and the closing price thresholds shall be applied to the last day of the Pre-Pilot measurement period, and the CADV threshold shall be applied to the duration of the Pre-Pilot measurement period. The Pre-Pilot measurement period shall be the three calendar months ending on the day when the Pre-Pilot Data Collection Securities are selected. The Pre-Pilot Data Collection

Securities shall be selected thirty days prior to the commencement of the six-month Pre-Pilot Period.

.11 This Rule shall be in effect during a pilot period to coincide with the pilot period for the Plan (including any extensions to the pilot period for the Plan).