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Brent J. Fields Secretary U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549-1090

Re: Partial Amendment No. 1 to SR-NASDAQ-2016-067

Dear Mr. Fields:

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC filed the above-referenced filing on this date

Sincerely,

Angela S. Dunn

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Notice of proposed change pursuant  Section 806(e)(1) *		to the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Act of Section 806(e)(2) *		t Act of 2010	Security-Based Swap Submission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  Section 3C(b)(2) *	
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## Partial Amendment No. 1 to SR-NASDAQ-2016-067

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" or "Exchange"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") this Partial Amendment No. 1 to make the following changes to the pending 19b-4, Exhibit 1, and Exhibit 5.

## Changes to the 19b-4 and Exhibit 1.

- 1. The Exchange proposes to insert the following text and accompanying footnote to the 19b-4 in the first paragraph that begins on page 4 and to the Exhibit 1 in the third full paragraph on page 11 as the second sentence, "The Exchange intends to apply LOP system wide. The Exchange reserves the ability to temporarily disable LOP for certain securities in the event of extraordinary market conditions in a certain symbol.<sup>4</sup>" The new footnote 4 would state, "For example, LOP may cause a greater number of orders to be rejected in a very volatile market. In the event that the Exchange were to disable LOP in a particular symbol temporarily, the Exchange would immediately notify market participants by sending an alert via an Equities Trader Alert. The Exchange would enable LOP in that symbol as soon as is reasonably practicable and send an updated alert notifying participants that LOP was enabled."
- 2. The Exchange proposes to amend the 19b-4 on the first paragraph beginning on page 5 and the Exhibit 1 in the first paragraph beginning on page 13 to amend the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

first sentence as follows: "LOP would be operational each trading day, except for orders designated for opening, re-opening and closing crosses and initial public offerings." The Exchange also proposes to amend footnote 7 to state:

The Nasdag Rulebook provides specific rules for certain auction mechanisms, such as the opening, re-opening, closing and initial public offering process which contain their own protections with respect to the entry of Orders within those mechanisms and therefore are not subject to LOP. The Exchange does not apply LOP to these auction mechanisms as a result of the protections that currently are in place and supersede LOP. With respect to the open, Nasdaq has a process, namely the "Nasdaq Opening Cross," which shall occur at the price that maximizes the number of shares. See Rule 4752(d)(2)(E). The Nasdaq Opening Cross would occur at a price that maximizes the number of shares of MOO, LOO, OIO, Early Market Hours orders, and executable quotes and orders in the Nasdaq Market Center; at prices which minimize any Imbalances; would cause the cross to occur at the entered price at which shares will remain unexecuted in the cross; and a price that minimizes the distance from bidask midpoint of the inside quotation. These specific conditions seek to protect the price at the opening. With respect to re-opening, a "Nasdaq Halt Cross" shall occur at the price which maximizes the number of shares of Eligible Interest in the Nasdaq Market Center to be executed. This acts as a price protection that results in price discovery to arrive at the best price. See Rule 4753(b)(2)(A). With respect to the close, Nasdaq has a process, namely the "Nasdaq Closing Cross," for determining the price at which orders shall be executed at the close and for executing those orders. See Rule 4754(b)(2)(E). The Nasdaq Closing Cross would occur at a price that maximizes the number of shares of eligible Interest, minimizes any Imbalance, would cause the cross to occur at the entered price at which shares will remain unexecuted in the cross and a price that minimizes the distance from the System bid-ask midpoint at the time of the Nasdaq Closing Cross. With respect to initial public offerings, the Exchange may halt trading in a security that is the subject of an Initial Public Offering. See Rule 4120(a)(7). The Exchange's rules do not permit aberrant trading in such IPO securities and require a security must pass the price validation. See Rule 4120(c)(8)(A)."

3. Footnote 8 would be amended to state, "For example, if there is a one-sided quote or if the NBB, when used as the LOP Reference Price, is equal to or less than \$0.50."

## Changes to Exhibit 5.

- The Exchange proposes to amend Rule 4757(c)(i) to amend the third sentence as follows: "LOP is operational each trading day, except for orders designated for opening, reopening and closing crosses and initial public offerings."
- 2. The Exchange proposes to amend Rule 4757(c)(i) to amend the last sentence as follows: "LOP would not apply in the event there is no established LOP Reference Price or the National Best Bid, when used as the LOP Reference Price, is equal to or less than \$0.50."

The Exchange believes that the proposed amendments are consistent with the Act because the proposal offers protections for Limit Orders which should encourage price continuity and, in turn, protect investors and the public interest by reducing executions occurring at dislocated prices. LOP would be applied system-wide, which would assist with the maintenance of fair and orderly markets by mitigating the risks associated with errors resulting in executions at prices that are away from the Best Bid or Offer and potentially erroneous. Further the proposal protects investors from potentially receiving executions away from the prevailing prices at any given time with the exception of certain auction mechanisms which have their own price protections and involve certain price discovery features which are important in arriving at the best price. The Exchange proposes LOP to avoid a series of improperly priced aggressive orders transacting in the Order Book. The LOP Limit is appropriate because it seeks to capture improperly priced Limit Orders and reject them to reduce the risk of, and to potentially prevent, the automatic execution of Orders at prices that may be considered clearly erroneous.