

you wish to make publicly available. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NSX–2011–06 and should be submitted on or before June 2, 2011.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>11</sup>

**Elizabeth M. Murphy,**

*Secretary.*

[FR Doc. 2011–11673 Filed 5–11–11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 8011–01–P

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–64422; File No. SR–NYSEArca–2011–26]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Amending NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.11 To Include Additional Securities in the Pilot by Which Such Rule Operates and Amending NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.23 To Simplify Certain Aspects of the Text While Also Conforming Certain of the Percentages Thereunder to the Proposed Changes to Rule 7.11

May 6, 2011.

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> notice is hereby given that on May 4, 2011, NYSE Arca, Inc. (“NYSE Arca” or the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by NYSE Arca. 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 NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.11 to include additional securities in the pilot by which such rule operates and amend NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.23 to simplify certain aspects of the text while also conforming certain of the percentages thereunder to the proposed changes to Rule 7.11. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange, the Commission’s Public Reference Room, and <http://www.nyse.com>.

<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

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

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

#### 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 amend Rule 7.11 to include additional securities in the pilot by which such rule operates and amend Rule 7.23 to simplify certain aspects of the text while also conforming certain of the percentages thereunder to the proposed changes to Rule 7.11.

The Commission approved Rule 7.11 on a pilot basis on June 10, 2010 to provide for trading pauses in individual securities due to extraordinary market volatility (“Trading Pause”) in all securities included within the S&P 500® Index (“S&P 500”) (“Trading Pause Pilot” or “Pilot”).<sup>3</sup> The Exchange noted in its filing to adopt Rule 7.11 that during the Pilot period it would continue to assess whether additional securities need to be added and whether the parameters of Rule 7.11 would need to be modified to accommodate trading characteristics of different securities. The Exchange subsequently received approval to add to the Pilot the securities included in the Russell 1000® Index (“Russell 1000”) and a specified list of Exchange Traded Products (“ETPs”).<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> The Commission approved the Trading Pause Pilot for all equities exchanges and FINRA. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62252 (June 10, 2010), 75 FR 34186 (June 16, 2010) (File Nos. SR–BATS–2010–014; SR–EDGA–2010–01; SR–EDGX–2010–01; SR–BX–2010–037; SR–ISE–2010–48; SR–NYSE–2010–39; SR–NYSEAmex–2010–46; SR–NYSEArca–2010–41; SR–NASDAQ–2010–061; SR–CHX–2010–10; SR–NSX–2010–05; and SR–CBOE–2010–047) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62251 (June 10, 2010), 75 FR 34183 (June 16, 2010) (SR–FINRA–2010–025). The Exchange submitted a proposed rule change shortly after the initial Commission approval order to clarify the procedures applicable to reopening. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62281 (June 11, 2010), 75 FR 34504 (June 17, 2010) (SR–NYSEArca–2010–52).

<sup>4</sup> The Commission approved the addition to the Trading Pause Pilot of the securities included in the Russell 1000 and ETPs, where applicable, for all

The Exchange has continued to assess whether additional securities need to be added to the Pilot and whether the parameters of Rule 7.11 need to be modified to accommodate trading characteristics of different securities. In consultation with other markets and the staff of the Commission, the Exchange proposes to include all NMS stocks within the Pilot that are not already included therein, but to apply a wider Threshold Move percentage to the newly added securities. Accordingly, the Exchange proposes to delete Commentary .01 to Rule 7.11, as the text therein would no longer be necessary.

The Exchange proposes that the Threshold Move required to trigger a Trading Pause for the proposed new securities be 30% or more for such securities priced at \$1 or higher and 50% or more for such securities priced less than \$1.<sup>5</sup> The Exchange believes that these percentages are commensurate with the characteristics shared by the proposed new securities within these price ranges and would promote the objectives of the Trading Pause Pilot to reduce the negative impacts of unanticipated price movements in a security. In particular, the proposed additional stocks are those not currently included in the S&P 500, Russell 1000, or specified ETPs, and therefore are more likely to be less liquid securities or securities with lower trading volumes. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that broader Threshold Move percentages would be appropriate. Similarly, because leveraged ETPs trade at a ratio against the associated index, a broader Threshold Move percentage would also

equities exchanges and FINRA. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62884 (September 10, 2010), 75 FR 56618 (September 16, 2010) (File Nos. SR–BATS–2010–018; SR–BX–2010–044; SR–CBOE–2010–065; SR–CHX–2010–14; SR–EDGA–2010–05; SR–EDGX–2010–05; SR–ISE–2010–66; SR–NASDAQ–2010–079; SR–NYSE–2010–49; SR–NYSEAmex–2010–63; SR–NYSEArca–2010–61; and SR–NSX–2010–08) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62883 (September 10, 2010), 75 FR 56608 (September 16, 2010) (SR–FINRA–2010–033). The Exchange submitted a proposed rule change shortly after the addition of the Russell 1000 securities and ETPs to extend the operation of the Pilot, which was set to expire on December 10, 2010, until April 11, 2011. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63496 (December 9, 2010), 75 FR 78285 (December 15, 2010) (SR–NYSEArca–2010–114). The Pilot is currently set to expire on the earlier of August 11, 2011 or the date on which a limit up/limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, if adopted, applies. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64209 (April 6, 2011), 76 FR 20422 (April 12, 2011) (SR–NYSEArca–2011–14).

<sup>5</sup> Under the proposed rule change, the price of a security would be based on the closing price on the previous trading day, or, if no closing price exists, the last sale reported to the Consolidated Tape on the previous trading day.

be appropriate for leveraged ETPs. In addition, the Exchange believes that a 50% threshold move is appropriate for securities trading under a dollar to reflect that price movements of such lower-priced stocks equate to a higher percentage move than a similar price change would be for a higher-priced stock.

The Exchange proposes to include new subsections 7.11(a)(i), (ii) and (iii) to reflect the distinction between the applicable Threshold Move percentages for current Pilot securities and the proposed new securities to be included within the Pilot.<sup>6</sup> The Exchange is not proposing any other changes to the text of Rule 7.11 or the operation of the Pilot, and will continue to assess whether the parameters for invoking a Trading Pause continue to be appropriate and whether the parameters should be modified.

The proposed changes to the Pilot, if approved, would require that the text of Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B)(iii) and (iv), which pertains to the pricing obligations that Market Makers are required to adhere to, be amended to correct the cross-references therein to Rule 7.11 and the Threshold Move thereunder. Specifically, the Exchange proposes to remove any text from Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B)(iii) and (iv) addressing NMS stocks that are not subject to the Pilot because no such securities would exist and such text would therefore be unnecessary. The Exchange also proposes to simplify Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B)(iii) and (iv) by explicitly stating the percentages that are applicable thereunder and the times during the trading day when Rule 7.11 is not in effect. The Exchange notes that part of this proposed change would be substantive, in that the percentages under Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B)(iii) and (iv) would decrease slightly for the proposed new securities priced at \$1 or greater. The Exchange believes that this proposed substantive change would not have a significant impact on Market Maker pricing obligations and is reasonable because it would ensure that the designated quoting percentages in Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B) are within a narrower range than the percentages necessary to trigger a Trading Pause.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>7</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5),<sup>8</sup> in particular, in 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, and to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system. The proposed rule change also is designed to support the principles of Section 11A(a)(1)<sup>9</sup> of the Act in that it seeks to ensure fair competition among brokers and dealers and among exchange markets. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule meets these requirements because it expands the scope of the Pilot to cover all NMS stocks while adjusting the parameters of the rule for different securities in a manner that will promote uniformity across markets concerning decisions to pause trading in a security when there are significant price movements. Additionally, the proposed changes would ensure that the designated quoting percentages in Rule 7.23(a)(1)(B) are within a narrower range than the percentages necessary to trigger a Trading Pause.

### 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.

### 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

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve or disapprove such proposed rule change, or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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 e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-NYSEArca-2011-26 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-NYSEArca-2011-26. 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 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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NYSE Arca. 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 publicly available. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2011-26 and should be submitted on or before June 2, 2011.

<sup>6</sup> The Exchange is not proposing a change to the Threshold Move percentage applicable to securities currently included within the current Pilot. However, the changes proposed herein would require that certain rule text pertaining to the Threshold Move for the existing Pilot securities be reorganized within Rule 7.11.

<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78k-1(a)(1).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>10</sup>

**Elizabeth M. Murphy,**

*Secretary.*

[FR Doc. 2011-11672 Filed 5-11-11; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 8011-01-P

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-64419; File No. SR-Phlx-2011-64]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Amend Rule 3100(a)(4) To Include Additional Securities in the Pilot by Which Such Rule Operates

May 6, 2011.

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> notice is hereby given that on May 4, 2011, NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC (“Exchange”), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II 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 amend Rule 3100(a)(4) to include additional securities in the pilot by which such rule operates.

The text of the proposed rule change is below. Proposed new language is italicized; proposed deletions are in brackets.

\* \* \* \* \*

#### Rule 3100. Trading Halts on PSX

(a) Authority To Initiate Trading Halts or Pauses

In circumstances in which the Exchange deems it necessary to protect investors and the public interest, and pursuant to the procedures set forth in paragraph (c):

(1)–(3) No change.

(4) If a primary listing market issues an individual stock trading pause in any of the Circuit Breaker Securities, as defined herein, the Exchange will pause trading in that security until trading has resumed on the primary listing market. If, however, trading has not resumed on the primary listing market and ten minutes have passed since

the individual stock trading pause message has been received from the responsible single plan processor, the Exchange may resume trading in such stock. The provisions of this paragraph (a)(4) shall be in effect during a pilot set to end on the earlier of August 11, 2011 or the date on which a limit up/limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, if adopted, applies. During the pilot, the term “Circuit Breaker Securities” shall mean *any NMS stock* [the securities included in the S&P 500® Index and the Russell 1000® Index, as well as a pilot list of Exchange Traded Products].

(b)–(c) No change.

\* \* \* \* \*

#### 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 Exchange 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 Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in Sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects 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 amend Rule 3100(a)(4) to include additional securities in the pilot by which such rule operates.

On June 10, 2010, the Commission granted accelerated approval, for a pilot period to end December 10, 2010, of proposed rule changes submitted by the BATS Exchange, Inc., NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., EDGA Exchange, Inc., EDGX Exchange, Inc., International Securities Exchange LLC, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (“NASDAQ”), New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE”), NYSE Amex LLC (“NYSE Amex”), NYSE Arca, Inc. (“NYSE Arca”), and National Stock Exchange, Inc. (collectively, the “Exchanges”), to pause trading during periods of extraordinary market volatility in S&P 500 stocks.<sup>3</sup> The rules require the Listing Markets<sup>4</sup> to issue five-minute trading pauses for individual securities for which they are the primary Listing Market if the

transaction price of the security moves ten percent or more from a price in the preceding five-minute period. The Listing Markets are required to notify the other Exchanges and market participants of the imposition of a trading pause by immediately disseminating a special indicator over the consolidated tape. Under the rules, once the Listing Market issues a trading pause, the other Exchanges are required to pause trading in the security on their markets. On September 10, 2010, the Commission approved the respective rule filings of the Exchanges to expand application of the pilot to securities comprising the Russell 1000® Index and specified Exchange Traded Products.<sup>5</sup>

In connection with its resumption of trading of NMS Stocks through the NASDAQ OMX PSX system, the Exchange adopted Rule 3100(a)(4) so that it could participate in the pilot program.<sup>6</sup> On September 29, 2010, the Exchange amended Rule 3100(a)(4) to include stocks comprising the Russell 1000® Index and specified Exchange Traded Products.<sup>7</sup> On December 7, 2010, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the existing pilot program for four months, so that the pilot would expire on April 11, 2011.<sup>8</sup> On March 31, 2011, the Exchange filed an immediately effective filing to extend the existing pilot program for four months, so that the pilot would expire on the earlier of August 11, 2011 or the date on which a limit up/limit down mechanism to address extraordinary market volatility, if adopted, applies.<sup>9</sup>

The Exchanges have continued to assess whether additional securities need to be added to the Pilot and whether the parameters of the Circuit Breaker Pilot needs to be modified to accommodate trading characteristics of different securities. In consultation with other markets and the staff of the Commission, the Exchanges are proposing to include all NMS stocks within the Pilot that are not already included therein, but to apply a wider price move percentage to the newly

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62884 (September 10, 2010), 75 FR 56618 (September 16, 2010).

<sup>6</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62877 (September 9, 2010), 75 FR 56633 (September 16, 2010) (SR-Phlx-2010-79).

<sup>7</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63004 (September 29, 2010), 75 FR 61547 (October 5, 2010) (SR-Phlx-2010-126).

<sup>8</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63504 (December 9, 2010), 75 FR 78304 (December 15, 2010) (SR-Phlx-2010-174).

<sup>9</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64175 (April 4, 2011), 76 FR 19823 (April 8, 2011) (SR-Phlx-2011-44).

<sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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

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

<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62252 (June 10, 2010), 75 FR 34186 (June 16, 2010).

<sup>4</sup> The term “Listing Markets” refers collectively to NYSE, NYSE Amex, NYSE Arca, and NASDAQ.