burden associated with amending Form MA–T is 500 hours. Therefore, the total annual burden associated with completing and amending Form MA–T is 3,000 hours.

The Commission believes that some municipal advisors will seek outside counsel to help them comply with the requirements of Rule 15Ba2–6T and Form MA–T, and assumes that each of the 1,000 municipal advisors will consult outside counsel for one hour for this purpose. The hourly rate for an attorney is $400, according to the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association’s publication titled Management & Professional Earnings in the Securities Industry 2009, as modified by Commission staff to account for an 1,800 hour work year and multiplied by 5.35 to account for bonuses, firm size, employee benefits and overhead. The Commission estimates the total cost for all 1,000 municipal advisors to hire outside counsel to review their compliance with the requirements of Rule 15Ba2–6T and Form MA–T to be approximately $400,000.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

The public may view the background documentation for this information collection at the following Web site, http://www.reginfo.gov. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or by sending an e-mail to: Shagufa_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Thomas Bayer, Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: January 18, 2011.
Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
[Release No. 34–63756; File No. S7–24–89]


January 21, 2011.

Pursuant to Rule 608 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”) notice is hereby given that on December 23, 2010, the operating committee (“Operating Committee” or “Committee”) of the Joint Self-Regulatory Organization Plan Governing the Collection, Consolidation, and Dissemination of Quotation and Transaction Information for Nasdaq-Listed Securities Traded on Exchanges on an Unlisted Trading Privilege Basis (“Nasdaq/UTP Plan” or “Plan”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) an amendment to the Plan.1 This amendment represents Amendment No. 25 to the Plan and proposes to permit ministerial amendments to the Plans under the signature of the Chairman of the Nasdaq/UTP Plan Operating Committee. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments from interested persons on the proposed Amendment.

I. Rule 608(a)

A. Purpose of the Amendments

Currently, Section XVI of the Nasdaq/UTP Plan requires each Participant to execute most amendments to the Plan before they can submit Plan amendments to the Commission. This can result in delays and unwarranted administrative functioning in the context of certain amendments that are of a purely ministerial nature. For that reason, the Participants propose to amend the Plan to permit the submission of Plan amendments to the Commission under the signature of the Chairman of the Nasdaq/UTP Plan Operating Committee, in lieu of signatures from each Participant.

The categories of ministerial Plan amendments that the Participants may submit under the signature of the Chairman include amendments to the Plan that pertain solely to any one or more of the following:

1. Admitting a new Participant into the Plan;
2. Changing the name or address of a Participant;
3. Incorporating a change that the Commission has implemented by rule and that requires no conforming language to the text of the Plan (e.g., the Commission rule establishing the Advisory Committee);
4. Incorporating a change (i) That the Commission has implemented by rule, (ii) that requires conforming language to the text of the Plan (e.g., the Commission rule amending the revenue allocation formula), and (iii) that a majority of all Participants has voted to approve; and
5. Incorporating a purely technical change, such as correcting an error or an inaccurate reference to a statutory provision, or removing language that has become obsolete (e.g., language regarding ITS).

The Participants believe that submission of these categories of ministerial amendments will improve the efficiency of the administration of the Plan and that the signature of each Participant provides no safeguards that are necessary or appropriate in the context of these categories of ministerial amendments.


17 CFR 242.608.


3 The Plan governs the collection, processing, and dissemination on a consolidated basis of quotation information and transaction reports in Eligible Securities for each of its Participants. This consolidated information informs investors of the current quotation and recent trade prices of Nasdaq securities. It enables investors to ascertain from one data source the current prices in all the markets trading Nasdaq securities. The Plan serves as the required transaction reporting plan for its Participants, which is a prerequisite for their trading Eligible Securities. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 55647 (April 19, 2007) 72 FR 20891 (April 26, 2007).
B. Governing or Constituent Documents
Not applicable.

C. Implementation of Amendment
The Participants propose to implement the change upon Commission approval of the Amendment.

D. Development and Implementation Phases
See Item I(C) above.

E. Analysis of Impact on Competition
The proposed amendment does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Exchange Act. The Participants do not believe that the proposed plan amendment introduces terms that are unreasonably discriminatory for the purposes of Section 11A(c)(1)(D) of the Exchange Act.

F. Written Understanding or Agreements Relating to Interpretation of, or Participation in, Plan
The Participants have no written understandings or agreements relating to interpretation of the Plans as a result of the amendment.

G. Approval by Sponsors in Accordance With Plan
Each of the Plan’s Participants has executed a written amendment to the Plan.

H. Description of Operation of Facility Contemplated by the Proposed Amendment
Not applicable.

I. Terms and Conditions of Access
Not applicable.

J. Method of Determination and Imposition, and Amount of, Fees and Charges
Not applicable.

K. Method and Frequency of Processor Evaluation
Not applicable.

L. Dispute Resolution
Not applicable.

II. Rule 601(a)

A. Reporting Requirements
Not applicable.

B. Manner of Collecting, Processing, Sequencing, Making Available and Disseminating Last Sale Information
Not applicable.

C. Manner of Consolidation
Not applicable.

D. Standards and Methods Ensuring Promptness, Accuracy and Completeness of Transaction Reports
Not applicable.

E. Rules and Procedures Addressed to Fraudulent or Manipulative Dissemination
Not applicable.

F. Terms of Access to Transaction Reports
Not applicable.

G. Identification of Marketplace of Execution
Not Applicable.

III. Solicitation of Comments
The Commission seeks general comments on Amendment No. 25. Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposal 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. Please include File Number S7–24–89 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 S7–24–89. 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 Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all written statements with respect to the proposed Plan amendment that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed Plan amendment 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 on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for Web site viewing and printing at the Office of the Secretary of the Committee, currently located at the CBOE, 400 S. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60605. 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 S7–24–89 and should be submitted on or before February 18, 2011.

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

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Purchase of Equity Interests by International Securities Exchange Holdings, Inc. in Ballista Holdings LLC

January 24, 2011.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on January 14, 2011, the International Securities Exchange, LLC (the “Exchange” or “ISE”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission” or “SEC”) 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 is submitting this proposed rule change (the “Proposed Rule Change”) to the Commission to amend ISE Rule 312 (Limitation on Affiliation between the Exchange and Members) in connection with the capital contribution by its parent company, International Securities Exchange Holdings, Inc. (“ISE Holdings”), in Ballista Holdings LLC (formerly Optifreeze (sic) LLC), a Delaware Limited Liability Company (“Ballista