SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


[Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC; Order Granting Approval of Proposed Rule Change Regarding Opening Index Option Months and Series]

June 24, 2011.

I. Introduction

On May 6, 2011, NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC (“Phlx” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, a proposed rule change regarding opening index option months and series. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on May 18, 2011. The Commission received no comment letters on the proposal. This order approves the proposed rule change.

II. Description of the Proposal

The proposal seeks to harmonize the Exchange’s index option and equity option listing rules that govern the opening for trading of series and expiration months for approved options classes. The Exchange proposes to eliminate prescriptive guidelines stating which expiration months may be listed and replace them with simplified rules stating that the Exchange shall open a minimum of one expiration month and series for each class of approved stock index options, and that the Exchange may open additional series as needed (subject to certain conditions). The proposed rules are substantially identical to the rules in place for the listing of expiration months and series in stock or exchange-traded-fund (“ETF”) options.

III. Discussion

The Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, which requires, among other things, that the rules of a national securities exchange be 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. The Commission notes that it has previously approved language in exchange listing rules that provide that an exchange will open at least one expiration month and one series for each class of equity and ETF options listed by the exchange.

IV. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change (SR–Phlx–2011–65) be, and it hereby is, approved.

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

Cathy H. Ahn,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Fee Schedule Regarding Co-Location Fees for Additional Power and Cable Options

June 24, 2011.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”), and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on June 23, 2011, NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC (“Phlx” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III 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 Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the Fee Schedule regarding co-location fees for additional power and cable options. The text of the proposed rule change is available at http://nasdaqtrader.com/micro.aspx?id=PHLXfilings, at the Exchange’s principal office, 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 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

The Exchange proposes to amend the Fee Schedule regarding co-location fees for additional power and cable options. The Exchange proposes to offer a new choice of a pair of power receptacles (60 amps 208 volts), which would provide enough power for a high density cabinet. The proposed fee for installation of the pair of the 60 amp 208 volt power receptacles is $3,000. There are ten other power choices already available and this new receptacle choice is being offered as more clients are requesting higher power density cabinets. Additionally, the Exchange proposes to offer a new choice of patch cable, twinaxial (otherwise known as “Twinax”) cables, in lengths of one meter to five meters. The proposed fee for the Twinax cables is $34 + $10 per meter. The Exchange is making the Twinax cables available as a convenience to customers, and notes that use of Exchange-provided patch cords is completely voluntary, and that such patch cords may be freely obtained