listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2011 will be:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings;

Other matters relating to enforcement proceedings; and

An adjudicatory matter.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items.

For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551–5400.

Dated: December 12, 2011.
Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations;
NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Permit Fee

December 9, 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 November 28, 2011, NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC (“Phlx” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “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 Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the Exchange’s Fee Schedule to waive Permit Fees for existing Exchange members or member organizations that were members on the Exchange prior to the initiation of PSX and have since determined to commence an equities business.


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 the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to extend the waiver of Permit Fees to Exchange members or member organizations that were members on the Exchange prior to the initiation of PSX and have since determined to commence an equities business.

The Exchange continues to encourage members to trade on NASDAQ OMX PSX (“PSX”) under a market participant identifier (“MPID”) registered to the member or member organization.

Currently, the Exchange assesses members and member organizations which are transacting business on the Exchange a Permit Fee of $1,100 per month. A member or member organization is assessed the $1,100 monthly Permit Fee if that member or member organization: (1) Transacts its option orders in its assigned Phlx house account in a particular month; (2) is a clearing member of The Options Clearing Corporation or a Floor Broker; or (3) for those member organizations which are under common ownership, transacts at least one options trade in a Phlx house account that is assigned to one of the member organizations under common ownership. Members who are not transacting business on the Exchange are assessed a Permit Fee of $7,500 per month. A member or member organization is assessed the $7,500 Permit Fee for not transacting business on the Exchange if that member is either: (i) Not a PSX Participant; or not engaged in an options business at the Exchange in a particular month.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations;
NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Modify Its Co-Location Fee Schedule Regarding Low Latency Network Connections; Correction

AGENCY: Securities And Exchange Commission.

ACTION: Notice; correction.


Correction:

In the Federal Register of November 10, 2011, in FR Doc. 2011–29110, on page 70187, correct the heading to read as noted above.


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Deputy Secretary.

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addition, a member or member organization that sponsors an options participant would pay an additional Permit Fee for each sponsored options participant. If the Exchange member or member organization meets the exemption criteria related to the $7,500 Permit Fee, the member or member organization would be assessed the $1,100 Permit Fee or $2,000 as of January 3, 2012.

At the time PSX began operations in October 2010, the Exchange filed a rule change to waive the Application Fee, Initiation Fee, Permit Fee and Account Fee for applicants applying to participate in PSX ("October 2010 Rule Change"). The October 2010 Rule Change applied the waivers to new Exchange members that solely participated in PSX. Also, the October 2010 Rule Change did not apply to waivers to an applicant seeking approval to participate solely in the options market, or to an applicant seeking to participate in both the equities and the options markets. Finally, the October 2010 Rule Change did not apply to waivers to members or member organizations that cease their operations, but remain as sole PSX Participants. The Exchange subsequently filed an amendment to allow existing members or member organizations that cease to conduct an options business on Phlx XL II, but continue to conduct business PSX, to receive a waiver of Permit Fee.

This filing proposes to apply the waiver of the Permit Fee to those Exchange members and member organizations that were members of the Exchange before the initiation of PSX, but were not conducting an options business, and thereafter commenced conducting an equities business. These members and member organizations were not considered “new” members and were therefore not subject to the waiver. The Exchange proposes to allow these members and member organizations to receive a waiver of the Permit Fee. These members and member organizations must not be conducting an options business to receive the waiver, but would be considered PSX only.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal to amend its Fee Schedule is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act in particular, in that it is an equitable allocation of reasonable fees and other charges among Exchange members and other persons using its facilities. The Exchange believes that it is reasonable to waive fees as an incentive for existing Exchange members and member organizations to continue to transact business on PSX.

The Exchange believes that the proposal is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because the waiver applies uniformly to any members and member organizations that solely conduct an equities business on the Exchange. The fact that these members and member organizations were at the Exchange prior to the commencement of PSX should not prohibit them from receiving the same waiver as other equities member who are not conducting an options Exchange.

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 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 either solicited or received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act. At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or 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 email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File No. SR–Phlx–2011–167 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 No. SR–Phlx–2011–167. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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 the Exchange. 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 No. SR–Phlx–2011–167 and should be submitted on or before January 5, 2012.

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

Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC; Order Granting Approval of Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1, To Introduce the Minimum Life Order as a New Order Type

December 9, 2011.

On October 12, 2011, NASDAQ OMX PHXL LLC (“Exchange” or “Phlx”) 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 to introduce the Minimum Life Order as a new order type for use in the NASDAQ OMX PSX (“PSX”) system. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on October 28, 2011. On October 26, 2011, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change. The Commission has received one comment letter on the proposed rule change. The Exchange responded to the comment letter on November 28, 2011. This order approves the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 1.

The Exchange proposes, by amending its rules to add Rule 3301(f)(11), to introduce the Minimum Life Order as a new order type for use on PSX. A Minimum Life Order may not be cancelled by the entering participant for 100 milliseconds following receipt by the Exchange. If a market participant entering a Minimum Life Order submits a cancel message with respect to a Minimum Life Order at the same time as the order, or at any point during the “no cancel” window, the cancel message will not be rejected, but will be effectuated only following the expiration of the window (assuming the order has not already been executed). All Minimum Life Orders must be designated as Displayed Orders.

The Commission received one comment letter, which was generally supportive of the proposed rule change. The commenter, however, expressed concern that predatory traders will be able to know when an order has a minimum life because there will be a new flag in the data feed. The commenter is concerned that predatory traders would be able to use such information to further model price behavior in the markets. The Exchange stated in its response to the commenter that Minimum Life Orders will not be distinguished from other Displayed Orders in any data that will be disseminated to market participants. The Exchange notes that the flag mentioned by the commenter will be used for order entry, but not for order display. After careful review, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 6 of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange. In particular, 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 Exchange’s rules 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 Exchange’s new Minimum Life Displayed Order type, which cannot be cancelled until after a 100 millisecond window has expired, allows market participants to elect to commit to trade for that time period and thus, according to the Exchange, is designed to encourage removers of liquidity to route orders to the Exchange in anticipation of receiving higher fill rates. The Commission believes that the Minimum Life Order could provide additional trading opportunities on the Exchange, consistent with just and equitable principles of trade, and is designed to encourage displayed liquidity and offer PSX market participants additional options when posting liquidity on PSX, consistent with removing impediments to and perfecting the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system, the protection of investors and the public interest.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change (SR–Phlx–2011–141), as amended, be, and hereby is, approved.

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

Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION


Self-Regulatory Organizations; The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Post-Only Order

December 9, 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 December 6, 2011, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (the “Exchange” or “NASDAQ”)...