hours per portfolio. Given that filings on Form N–CSR are filed semi-annually, filings on Form N–CSR require 14.42 hours per portfolio each year. The total annual hour burden for Form N–CSR, therefore, is estimated to be 177,799 hours. The estimated total annual cost burden to respondents for outside professionals associated with the collection of data relating to Form N–CSR is $3,189,771.

The information collection requirements imposed by Form N–CSR are mandatory. Responses to the collection of information will not be kept confidential. 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, 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 email to: Shagufa.Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Thomas Bayer, Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: September 17, 2013.

Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–70429; File No. S7–24–89]


September 17, 2013.

A. Purpose of the Amendments

Currently, Section XIII(B) (Transaction Reports) of the Nasdaq/UTP Plan provides that “Each Participant shall, during the time it is open for trading, be responsible promptly to collect and transmit to the Processor Transaction Reports in Eligible Securities executed in its Market by means prescribed herein.” However, that section goes on to say that “The following types of transactions are not required to be reported to the Processor pursuant to the Plan.” That list includes odd-lot transactions.

Because odd-lot transactions account for a not insignificant percentage of trading volume, the Participants have determined that including odd-lot transactions on the consolidated tape of Nasdaq/UTP Plan last sale prices would add post-trade transparency to the marketplace.

This amendment proposes to add odd-lot transactions to the consolidated tape by removing them from Section XIII(B)’s list of transactions that are not required to be reported for inclusion on the consolidated tape.

Due to the lack of economic significance of many individual odd-lot orders, the Participants do not propose to include odd-lot transactions in calculations of last sale prices. Therefore, odd-lot transactions would not be included in calculations of high and low prices and would not be subject to Limit Up/Limit Down rules. Similarly, including odd-lot transactions on the consolidated tape would not trigger short sale restrictions or trading halts. However, odd-lot transactions would be included in calculations of daily consolidated volume.

4 The Plan governs the collection, processing, and dissemination 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).
5 The proposal was originally designated as Amendment No. 31. See Letter from Thomas P. Knorrning, Chairman, Nasdaq/UTP Plan Operating Committee to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Commission, dated September 9, 2013 (“Transmittal Letter”). On September 17, 2013, the Participants filed a letter to re-designate the proposal as Amendment No. 30 and to correct a marking error in the Plan language. See Letter from Thomas P. Knorrning, Chairman, Nasdaq/UTP Plan Operating Committee to Katherine A. England, Assistant Director, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated September 17, 2013.
For purposes of allocating revenue among the Participants under the Nasdaq/UTP Plan, the Participants would include odd-lot transactions in the Security Income Allocation for each Eligible Security under Paragraph 2 (Security Income Allocation) of Exhibit 1 to the Nasdaq/UTP Plan. Just as with round lot transactions, an odd-lot transaction with a dollar value of $5000 or more would constitute one qualified transaction report and an odd-lot transaction with a dollar value of less than $5000 would constitute a fraction of a qualified transaction report that equals the dollar value of the transaction report divided by $5000. The Participants do not anticipate that this will produce a significant shift in revenue allocation among the Participants. This treatment of odd-lot transactions for revenue allocation purposes does not require a change to the language of Exhibit 1 to the Nasdaq/UTP Plan.

B. Governing or Constituent Documents

Not applicable.

C. Implementation of Amendment

All of the Participants have manifested their approval of the proposed amendment by means of their execution of the amendments. Subject to Commission approval of the Amendment, the Participants intend to add odd-lot transactions to the consolidated tape under the Plan commencing October 21, 2013.

D. Development and Implementation Phases

Not applicable.

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. This change is being proposed and implemented in parallel with similar changes to the national market system plan governing the trading of stocks listed on NYSE, Amex, and other markets (i.e., the CTA Plan). 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 Act.6

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 Plan 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. Equity Securities for which Transaction Reports Shall Be Required by the Plan

Not applicable.

B. Reporting Requirements

As a result of the amendment, each Participant would be required to report odd-lot transactions to the Nasdaq/UTP Plan’s Processor for inclusion in the consolidated tape.

C. Manner of Collecting, Processing, Sequencing, Making Available and Disseminating Last Sale Information

Not applicable.

D. Manner of Consolidation

Odd-lot transactions would not be eligible for inclusion in calculations of last sale prices and would not be included in calculations of high and low prices. However, odd-lot transactions would be included in calculations of daily consolidated volume.

E. Standards and Methods Ensuring Promptness, Accuracy and Completeness of Transaction Reports

Not applicable.

F. Rules and Procedures Addressed to Fraudulent or Manipulative Dissemination

Not applicable.

G. Terms of Access to Transaction Reports

Not applicable.

H. Identification of Marketplace of Execution

Not Applicable.

III. Solicitation of Comments

The Commission seeks general comments on Amendment No. 30. 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 email 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 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 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, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 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 October 15, 2013.
For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.7

Kevin M. O’Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94–409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold a Closed Meeting on Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or her designee, has certified that, in her opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (7), (9)(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), (9)(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matter at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Aguilar, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting will be:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings; and

Other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

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: September 18, 2013.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Appointment Cost of IWM Options

September 17, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”),1 and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,2 the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change is being filed for public comment and consideration pursuant to paragraphs (c)(4) and (c)(5) of Rule 19b–4.

The text of the proposed rule change is published below. Interested persons should submit written comments on the proposed rule change to the SEC by October 11, 2013.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the appointment cost for options on the iShares Russell 2000 Index Fund (IWM). The text of the proposed rule change is provided below. (Additions are italicized; deletions are [bracketed].)

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Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated Rules

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Rule 8.3. Appointment of Market-Makers

(a)–(b) No change.

(c) Market-Maker Appointments. Absent an exemption by the Exchange, an appointment of a Market-Maker confers the right to quote electronically and in open outcry in the Market-Maker’s appointed classes as described below. Subject to paragraph (e) below, a Market-Maker may choose its appointed classes upon advance notice to the Exchange in a form and manner prescribed by the Exchange.

(i) Hybrid Classes. Subject to paragraphs (c)(iv) and (e) below, a Market-Maker can create a Virtual Trading Crowd (“VTC”) appointment, which confers the right to quote electronically in an appropriate number of Hybrid classes (as defined in Rule 1.1(aaa)) selected from “tiers” that have been structured according to trading volume statistics, except for the AA tier.

All classes within a specific tier will be assigned an “appointment cost” depending upon its tier location. The following table sets forth the tiers and related appointment costs.

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