

currently included in Exchange Rule 1014 (“Imposition of Fines for Minor Rule Violations”).⁶ According to the Exchange’s MRVP, under Rule 1014, the Exchange may impose a fine (not to exceed \$2,500) on any Member, or person associated with or employed by a Member, for any rule listed in Rule 1014(d).⁷ The Exchange shall serve the person against whom a fine is imposed with a written statement setting forth the rule or rules violated, the act or omission constituting each such violation, the fine imposed, and the date by which such determination becomes final or by which such determination must be contested. If the person against whom the fine is imposed pays the fine, such payment shall be deemed to be a waiver of such person’s right to a disciplinary proceeding and any review of the matter under the Exchange rules. Any person against whom a fine is imposed may contest the Exchange’s determination by filing with the Exchange a written answer, at which point the matter shall become a disciplinary proceeding.

The Exchange proposes that, as set forth in Exchange Rule 1014(d), violations of the following rules would be appropriate for disposition under the MRVP: Rule 307 (Position Limits); Rule 803 (Focus Reports); Rule 804 (Requests for Trade Data); Rule 520 (Order Entry); Rule 603 (Quotation Parameters); Rule 605 (Execution of Orders in Appointed Options); Rule 314 (Mandatory Systems Testing); Rule 700 (Exercise of Option Contracts); Rule 309 (Exercise Limits); Rule 310 (Reports Related to Position Limits); Rule 403 (Trading in Restricted Classes); Rule 604 (Market Maker Quotations); and Rules 1301, 1302, and 1303 (Failure to Timely File Amendments to Form U4, Form U5, and Form BD). The Exchange notes that it is specifically excluding Rule 1014(d)(4), Conduct and Decorum Policies, from this filing.

Upon the Commission’s declaration of effectiveness of the MRVP, the Exchange will provide to the Commission a quarterly report for any actions taken on minor rule violations under the MRVP.

⁶ The Exchange received its grant of registration on December 3, 2012, which included approving the rules that govern the Exchange. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 68341 (December 3, 2012), 77 FR 73065 (December 7, 2012). See also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 70357 (September 10, 2013), 78 FR 56960 (September 16, 2013) (Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Amend Exchange Rule 1014).

⁷ While Rule 1014 allows the Exchange to administer fines up to \$5,000, the Exchange is only seeking relief from the reporting requirements of paragraph (c)(1) of Rule 19d–1 for fines administered under Rule 1014(d) that do not exceed \$2,500.

The quarterly report will include: The disposition date, the name of the firm/individual, the Exchange’s internal enforcement number, the review period, the nature of the violation type, the number of the rule that was violated, the number of instances the violation occurred, and the sanction imposed.

The Exchange also proposes that, going forward, to the extent that there are any changes to the rules applicable to the Exchange’s MRVP, the Exchange requests that the Commission deem such changes to be modifications to the Exchange’s MRVP.

I. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the Exchange’s proposed MRVP, including whether the proposed MRVP 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. 4–714 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File No. 4–714. 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 MRVP that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed MRVP 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 proposed MRVP also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not

redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File No. 4–714 and should be submitted on or before December 19, 2017.

II. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Minor Rule Violation Plan and Timing for Commission Action

Pursuant to Section 19(d)(1) of the Act and Rule 19d–1(c)(2) thereunder,⁸ after December 19, 2017, the Commission may, by order, declare the Exchange’s proposed MRVP effective if the plan is consistent with the public interest, the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Commission in its order may restrict the categories of violations to be designated as minor rule violations and may impose any other terms or conditions to the proposed MRVP, File No. 4–714, and to the period of its effectiveness, which the Commission deems necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁹

Brent J. Fields,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[SEC File No. 270–422, OMB Control No. 3235–0471]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–2736

Extension:

Rule 15c1–5

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 15c1–5 (17 CFR 240.15c1–5) under

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(d)(1); 17 CFR 240.19d–1(c)(2).

⁹ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(44).

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 15c1–5 states that any broker-dealer controlled by, controlling, or under common control with the issuer of a security that the broker-dealer is trying to sell to or buy from a customer must give the customer written notification disclosing the control relationship at or before completion of the transaction. The Commission estimates that 197 respondents collect information annually under Rule 15c1–5 and that each respondent would spend approximately 10 hours per year collecting this information (1,970 hours in aggregate). There is no retention period requirement under Rule 15c1–5. This Rule does not involve the collection of confidential information.

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

The public may view 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: Shagufta_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: November 21, 2017.

Eduardo A. Aleman,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–82142; File No. SR–NASDAQ–2017–087]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on a Proposed Rule Change To Modify the Listing Requirements Related to Special Purpose Acquisition Companies To Reduce Round Lot Holders on Nasdaq Capital Market for Initial Listing From 300 to 150 and Eliminate Public Holders for Continued Listing From 300 to Zero, Require \$5 Million in Net Tangible Assets for Initial and Continued Listing on Nasdaq Capital Market, and Impose a Deadline To Demonstrate Compliance With Initial Listing Requirements on All Nasdaq Markets Within 30 Days Following Each Business Combination

November 22, 2017.

On September 20, 2017, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) ¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to modify the listing requirements related to Special Purpose Acquisition Companies (“SPAC”) to reduce round lot holders on Nasdaq Capital Market for initial listing from 300 to 150 and eliminate the public holders required for continued listing from 300 to zero, require \$5 million net tangible assets for initial and continued listing on Nasdaq Capital Market, and impose a deadline to demonstrate compliance with initial listing requirements on all Nasdaq Markets to within 30 days following each business combination. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on October 11, 2017.³ The Commission received six comments on the proposal.⁴

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 81816 (October 4, 2017), 82 FR 47269 (October 11, 2017) (“Notice”).

⁴ See Letters to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, from Jeffrey M. Solomon, Chief Executive Officer, Cowen and Company, LLC, dated October 19, 2017; Jeffrey P. Mahoney, General Counsel, Council of Institutional Investors, dated October 25, 2017; Sean Davy, Managing Director, Capital Markets Division, SIFMA, dated October 31, 2017; Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, dated November 1, 2017; Steven Levine, Chief Executive Officer, EarlyBirdCapital, Inc., dated November 3, 2017; and Christian O. Nagler and David A. Curtiss, Kirkland & Ellis LLP, dated November 9, 2017.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁵ provides that within 45 days of the notice publication of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding, or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day after publication of the notice for this proposed rule change is November 25, 2017. The Commission is extending this 45-day time period. The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposal and the comment letters. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ designates January 9, 2018, as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR–NASDAQ–2017–087).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Eduardo A. Aleman,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–2736

Extension:

Rule 17a–19 and Form X–17A–19; SEC File No. 270–148, OMB Control No. 3235–0133

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17a–19 (17 CFR 240.17a–19) and Form X–17A–19 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(31).