

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during May 2018.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Request number	Date vacated
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ..	Office of Public Affairs	Deputy Director of Speechwriting ..	DC170075	05/12/2018
		Press Assistant	DC170057	05/15/2018
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.	Office of the Secretary of Defense	Speechwriter	DD180034	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ..	Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.	Confidential Assistant (2)	DB180026	05/14/2018
			DB170102	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	Office of Science	Physical Scientist (Senior Advisor)	DE180016	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.	Office of Refugee Resettlement/Office of the Director.	Policy Advisor	DH170339	05/06/2018
	Administration for Children and Families.	Confidential Assistant	DH170086	05/12/2018
	Office of Global Affairs	Senior Advisor	DH170103	05/12/2018
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.	Office of Public and Indian Housing.	Special Policy Advisor	DU170113	05/12/2018
	Office of Public Affairs	Director of Communications	DU170141	05/12/2018
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	Office of Legal Policy	Counsel	DJ170048	05/03/2018
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	Office of Public Liaison	Special Assistant	DL180053	05/26/2018
	Office of the Secretary	Counselor to the Secretary	DL170052	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF STATE	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant (Scheduler)	DS180027	05/12/2018
		Special Advisor	DS170147	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY	Office of the Under Secretary of the Navy.	Special Assistant	DN170022	05/26/2018
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.	Department of the Treasury	Special Assistant	DY170113	05/04/2018
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.	Secretary	Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance.	DT170137	05/11/2018
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.	Office of Public Affairs	Deputy Associate Administrator for State and Regional Affairs.	EP170085	05/13/2018
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.	Office of Capital Access	Special Advisor	SB170021	05/05/2018
	Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.	Special Advisor	SB180021	05/12/2018

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change of Non-Substantive Amendments to Rules 1.1, 7.31, and 7.46

October 16, 2018.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)² and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,³ notice is hereby given that on October

3, 2018, New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE” or the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. 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 non-substantive amendments to Rules 1.1, 7.31, and 7.46. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at www.nyse.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, 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 self-regulatory organization 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 those 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 parts 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 Exchange proposes to reorganize the terms defined in Rule 1.1, Definitions, to place them in alphabetical order. The Exchange does not propose to amend the definition of any term that is currently defined in Rule 1.1. The Exchange also proposes to adopt a definition of the term “Exchange Act” under Rule 1.1(h), which would be defined as “the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.” This definition is identical

¹ 15 U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

to the same definition in the rules of the Exchange's affiliate, NYSE Arca.⁴

The Exchange also proposes to amend Rules 7.31 and 7.46 to re-name "Limit Non-Routable Order" as "Non-Routable Limit Order" and "Limit Non-Displayed Order" as "Non-Displayed Limit Order." These proposed rule changes are based on the terms used by the Exchange's affiliates, NYSE American LLC ("NYSE American") and NYSE Arca, for the same order types.⁵ In both cases, the Exchange believes that it promotes clarity and consistency in its rules to move the respective modifier for each of these rules before the term "Limit Order." The Exchange does not propose to amend the operation of either order type.

2. Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),⁶ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5),⁷ in particular, because it is 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 believes that alphabetizing the defined terms under Rule 1.1 would remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system because it add clarity to the Exchange's rules and make the defined terms easier to navigate. The Exchange does not propose to amend the definition of any term that is currently defined in Rule 1.1. In addition, the proposed definition of the term "Exchange Act" under Rule 1.1(h), is identical to the same definition in the rules of the Exchange's affiliate, NYSE Arca.⁸

The Exchange also believes that renaming "Limit Non-Displayed Order" as "Non-Displayed Limit Order" and "Limit Non-Routable Order" as "Non-Routable Limit Order" would remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market

and a national market system because the proposed changes are designed to promote clarity and consistency in Exchange rules by moving the modifier describing the function of the order type before the term "Limit Order." The Exchange does not propose any changes to the operation of either order type. These proposed rule changes are also based on the terms used by the Exchange's affiliates, NYSE American and NYSE Arca, for the same order types,⁹ and would, therefore, remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system by ensuring consistent terms are use amongst the Exchange and its affiliates for the same order types.

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 that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change will not have any impact on competition because it simply alphabetize definitions and renames two order types and does not make any changes to the operation of those order types or to alter any existing definition. In addition, the proposed definition of "Exchange Act" will not have a competitive impact because the new definition is intended to simply add clarity to the Exchange's rules and is identical to the same definition in the rules of the Exchange's affiliate, NYSE Arca.¹⁰

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act¹¹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹² Because the foregoing proposed rule does not (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative

for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, provided that the self-regulatory organization has given the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change or such shorter time as designated by the Commission,¹³ the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹⁵

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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 under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change 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 Number SR-NYSE-2018-48 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 Number SR-NYSE-2018-48. 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 website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent

⁴ See NYSE Arca Rule 1.1(q).

⁵ See NYSE American Rules 7.31E(d)(2), 7.31E(e)(1)(E), 7.46E(f)(5)(E), and 7.46-E(f)(5)(F). See also NYSE Arca Rule 7.31-E(d)(2), 7.31-E(e)(1), 7.46-E(f)(5)(E), and 7.46-E(f)(5)(F).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁸ See NYSE Arca Rule 1.1(q).

⁹ See NYSE American Rules 7.31E(d)(2), 7.31E(e)(1)(E), 7.46E(f)(5)(E), and 7.46-E(f)(5)(F). See also NYSE Arca Rule 7.31-E(d)(2), 7.31-E(e)(1), 7.46-E(f)(5)(E), and 7.46-E(f)(5)(F).

¹⁰ See NYSE Arca Rule 1.1(q).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹³ The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

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 website 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 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 Number SR-NYSE-2018-48 and should be submitted on or before November 13, 2018.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁷

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Securities Exchange Act of 1934; Release No. 34-84440/October 16, 2018; Investment Company Act of 1940; Release No. IC-33272/October 16, 2018; Order Under Section 15b, Section 17a and Section 36 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Granting Exemptions From Specified Provisions of the Exchange Act and Certain Rules Thereunder; Order Under Section 6(C) and Section 38(A) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Granting Exemptions From Specified Provisions of the Investment Company Act and Certain Rules Thereunder

On October 10, 2018, Hurricane Michael made landfall on the Florida Panhandle. The storm and subsequent flooding has displaced individuals and businesses and disrupted communications and transportation across the affected region. We are issuing this Order to address the needs

of companies and individuals with obligations under the federal securities laws who have been directly or indirectly affected by Hurricane Michael and its aftermath.

Section 15B(a)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") provides that the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), by rule or order, upon its own motion or upon application, may conditionally or unconditionally exempt any broker, dealer, municipal securities dealer or municipal advisor, or class of brokers, dealers, municipal securities dealers, or municipal advisors from any provision of Section 15B or the rules or regulations thereunder, if the Commission finds that such exemption is consistent with the public interest, the protection of investors and the purposes of Section 15B.

Section 36 of the Exchange Act authorizes the Commission, by rule, regulation or order, to exempt, either conditionally or unconditionally, any person, security or transaction, or any class or classes of persons, securities or transactions, from any provision or provisions of the Exchange Act or any rule or regulation thereunder, to the extent that such exemption is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, and is consistent with the protection of investors.

Section 17A(c)(1) of the Exchange Act provides that the appropriate regulatory agency, by rule or by order, upon its own motion or upon application, may conditionally or unconditionally exempt any person or security or class of persons or securities from any provision of Section 17A or any rule or regulation prescribed under Section 17A, if the appropriate regulatory agency¹ finds that such exemption is in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes of Section 17A, including the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions and the safeguarding of securities and funds. Section 17A(c)(1) also requires that the Commission not object to the use of exemptive authority in instances where an appropriate regulatory authority other than the Commission is providing exemptive relief.

Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Company Act") provides that the Commission may conditionally or unconditionally exempt any person, security or transaction, or any class or classes of persons, securities or transactions, from any provision or provisions of the

Company Act, or any rule or regulation thereunder, if and to the extent that such exemption is necessary or appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of the Company Act. Section 38(a) of the Company Act provides that the Commission may make, issue, amend and rescind such rules and regulations and such orders as are necessary or appropriate to the exercise of the powers conferred upon the Commission under the Company Act.

The necessity for prompt action of the Commission does not permit prior notice of the Commission's action.

I. Time Period for the Relief

The time period for the relief specified in Sections II and VI of this Order is as follows:

- With respect to those persons or entities affected by Hurricane Michael, for the period from and including October 10, 2018 to November 21, 2018, all reports, schedules or forms must be filed on or before November 23, 2018.

II. Filing Requirements for Registrants and Other Persons

The lack of communications, transportation, electricity, facilities and available staff and professional advisors as a result of Hurricane Michael could hamper the efforts of public companies and other persons with filing obligations to meet their filing deadlines. At the same time, investors have an interest in the timely availability of required information about these companies and the activities of persons required to file schedules and reports with respect to these companies. While the Commission believes that the relief from filing requirements provided by the exemption below is necessary and appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors, we remind public companies and other persons who are the subjects of this Order to continue to evaluate their obligations to make materially accurate and complete disclosures in accordance with the anti-fraud provisions of the federal securities laws.

Accordingly, *it is ordered*, pursuant to Section 36 of the Exchange Act, that a registrant (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2) subject to the reporting requirements of Exchange Act Section 13(a) or 15(d), and any person required to make any filings with respect to such a registrant, is exempt from any requirement to file or furnish materials with the Commission under Exchange Act Sections 13(a), 13(d), 13(f), 13(g), 14(a), 14(c), 14(f), 15(d) and 16(a),

¹⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ Section 3(a)(34)(B) of the Exchange Act defines "appropriate regulatory authority."