All submissions should refer to File Number SR-C2-2013-005. 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 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office. 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 SR-C2-2013-005, and should be submitted on or before February 25,

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{16}$ 

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Deputy Secretary.

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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 Amending NYSE Rule 80C, Which Provides For Trading Pauses in Individual Securities Due to Extraordinary Market Volatility, Extending the Effective Date of the Pilot Until the Earlier of the Initial Date of Operations of the Regulation NMS Plan To Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014

January 28, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") <sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b—4 thereunder, <sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on January 15, 2013, New York Stock Exchange LLC ("NYSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II 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 proposes to amend NYSE Rule 80C, which provides for trading pauses in individual securities due to extraordinary market volatility, to extend the effective date of the pilot by which such rule operates from the current scheduled expiration date of February 4, 2013, until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site 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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

## 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend NYSE Rule 80C, which provides for trading pauses in individual securities due to extraordinary market volatility, to extend the effective date of the pilot by which such rule operates from the current scheduled expiration date of February 4, 2013,3 until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014. The pilot will continue to operate as to individual securities until such security is subject to the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility.

NYSE Rule 80C requires the Exchange to pause trading in an individual security listed on the Exchange if the price moves by a specified percentage as compared to prices of that security in the preceding five-minute period during a trading day, which period is defined as a "Trading Pause." The pilot was developed and implemented as a market-wide initiative by the Exchange and other national securities exchanges in consultation with the Commission staff and is currently applicable to all NMS stocks and specified exchange-traded products.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67556 (August 1, 2012), 77 FR 47156 (August 7, 2012) (SR–NYSE–2012–31).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Exchange notes that the other national securities exchanges and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority have adopted the pilot in substantially similar form. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62252 (June 10, 2010), 75 FR 34186 (June 16, 2010) (File Nos. SR-BATS-2010-014; SR-EDGA-2010-01; SR-EDGX-2010-01; SR-BX-2010-037; SR-ISE-2010-48; SR-NYSE-2010-39; SR-NYSEAmex-2010-46; SR-NYSEArca-2010-41; SR-NASDAQ-2010-061; SR-CHX-2010-10; SR-NSX-2010-05; and SR-CBOE-2010-047) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62251 (June 10, 2010), 75 FR 34183 (June 16, 2010) (SR-FINRA-2010-025). See also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62884 (September 10, 2010), 75 FR 56618 (September 16 2010) (File Nos. SR-BATS-2010-018; SR-BX-2010-044; SR-CBOE-2010-065; SR-CHX-2010-14; SR-EDGA-2010-05; SR-EDGX-2010-05; SR-ISE-2010-66; SR-NASDAQ-2010-079; SR-NYSE-2010-49; SR-NYSEAmex-2010-63; SR-NYSEArca-2010-61; and SR-NSX-2010-08 and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62883 (September 10, 2010), 75 FR 56608 (September 16, 2010) (SR-FINRA-2010-033). See also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 63500 (December 9, 2010), 75 FR 78309 (December 15, 2010) (SR-NYSE-2010-81). A proposal to, among other things, expand the pilot to include all NMS stocks not already included

The extension proposed herein would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility. The Exchange anticipates that the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility will not begin initial operations on February 4, 2013 as currently planned, but will be delayed. If the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility has an initial date of operations before February 4, 2014, the proposed pilot for trading pauses would expire at that time.

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal 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) of the Act,7 in particular, in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, 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 the change proposed herein meets these requirements in that it promotes uniformity across markets concerning decisions to pause trading in a security when there are significant price movements, which promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediments to, and perfects the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system. Additionally, extension of the pilot until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014 would

therein was implemented on August 8, 2011. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64735 (June 23, 2011), 76 FR 38243 (June 29, 2011) (File Nos. SR–BATS–2011–016; SR–BYX–2011–011; SR–BX–2011–025; SR–CBOE–2011–049; SR–CHX–2011–09; SR–EDGA–2011–15; SR–EDGX–2011–14; SR–FINRA–2011–023; SR–ISE–2011–028; SR–NASDAQ–2011–067; SR–NYSE–2011–21; SR–NYSEAmex–2011–32; SR–NYSEArca–2011–26; SR–NSX–2011–06; and SR–Phlx–2011–64).

allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption while the Exchange and the Commission further assess the effect of the pilot on the marketplace or whether other initiatives should be adopted in lieu of the current pilot, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest.

## 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 changes are being made to extend the operation of the trading pause pilot until the earlier of the initial date of operations of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility or February 4, 2014 would allow the pilot to continue to operate without interruption until implementation of the Regulation NMS Plan to Address Extraordinary Market Volatility, which contributes to the protection of investors and the public interest. Other competing equity exchanges are subject to the same trading pause requirements specified in the Plan. Thus, the proposed changes will not impose any burden on competition while providing trading pause requirements specified in the Plan.

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 Act <sup>8</sup> and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder. <sup>9</sup> Because the proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative prior to 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, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) 10 normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii),11 the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay so that the proposal may become operative immediately upon filing. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because such waiver would allow the pilot program to continue uninterrupted. Accordingly, the Commission hereby grants the Exchange's request and designates the proposal operative upon filing.<sup>12</sup>

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.

#### 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–2013–05 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 67091 (May 31, 2012), 77 FR 33498 (June 6, 2012) (File No. 4-631) (Order Approving, on a Pilot Basis, the National Market System Plan To Address Extraordinary Market Volatility by BATS Exchange, Inc., BATS Y-Exchange, Inc., Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., EDGA Exchange, Inc., EDGX Exchange, Inc., Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC, National Stock Exchange, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE MKT LLC, and NYSE Arca, Inc.).

<sup>6 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>7 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>8 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

<sup>917</sup> CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b–4(f)(6) requires the Exchange to give the Commission written notice of the Exchange's intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of 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. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

<sup>10 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>11 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2013-05. 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 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 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 publicly available. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2013-05 and should be submitted on or before February 25, 2013.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 13

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-68746; File No. SR-NYSEMKT-2013-07]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE MKT LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Amending the Attestation Requirement of Rule 107C—Equities To Allow a Retail Member Organization To Attest That "Substantially All" Orders Submitted to the Retail Liquidity Program Will Qualify as "Retail Orders"

January 28, 2013.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) <sup>1</sup> of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the

"Act") <sup>2</sup> and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, <sup>3</sup> notice is hereby given that on January 17, 2012, NYSE MKT LLC ("NYSE MKT" 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 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 to amend the attestation requirement of Rule 107C-Equities to allow a Retail Member Organization ("RMO") to attest that "substantially all" orders submitted to the Retail Liquidity Program (the "Program") will qualify as "Retail Orders." Rule 107C(b)(2)(C)—Equities currently requires RMOs to attest that "any order" will so qualify, effectively preventing certain significant retail brokers from participating in the Program due to operational constraints. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at www.nvse.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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

## 1. Purpose

The Exchange is proposing an amendment to Rule 107C—Equities to provide that an RMO may attest that "substantially all" of the orders it submits to the Program are Retail Orders, as defined in Rule 107C—Equities, replacing the requirement that

the RMO must attest that all submitted orders qualify as Retail Orders.

Under current Rule 107C(b)(2)— Equities, a member organization wishing to become an RMO must submit: (A) An application form; (B) supporting documentation; and (C) an attestation that "any order" submitted as a Retail Order will qualify as such under Rule 107C—Equities.<sup>4</sup> The Exchange believes that the

categorical nature of the current attestation language is preventing certain member organizations with retail customers from participating in the Program. In particular, the Exchange understands that some member organizations wishing to participate in the Program represent both "Retail Orders," as defined in Rule 107C(a)(3)-Equities, as well as other agency flow that may not meet the strict definition of "Retail Order." The Exchange further understands that limitations in order management systems and routing networks used by such member organizations may make it infeasible for them to isolate 100% of Retail Orders from other agency, non-Retail Order flow that they would direct to the Program. Unable to make the categorical attestation required by the current language of Rule 107C—Equities, some member organizations have chosen not to participate, notwithstanding that substantially all order flow from such member organizations would be Retail Orders. This limitation has the effect of preventing their retail customers from benefiting from the enhanced price competition and transparency of the Program.

Accordingly, the Exchange is proposing a de minimis relaxation of the RMO attestation requirement in order to accommodate these system limitations and expand the access of retail customers to the benefits of the Program

Specifically, as proposed an RMO would be permitted to send de minimis quantities of agency orders to the Exchange as Retail Orders that cannot be explicitly attested to under existing definitions of the Program.

The Exchange will issue a Trader Notice to make clear that the "substantially all" language is meant to permit the presence of only isolated and de minimis quantities of agency order that do not qualify as Retail Orders that

<sup>13 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<sup>1 15</sup> U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78a.

<sup>3 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>A Retail Order is defined in Rule 107C(a)(3)— Equities as "an agency order that originates from a natural person and is submitted to the Exchange by a Retail Member Organization, provided that no change is made to the terms of the order with respect to price or side of market and the order does not originate from a trading algorithm or any other computerized methodology."