

Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### Product Change—Priority Mail Negotiated Service Agreement

AGENCY: Postal Service™.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service gives notice of filing a request with the Postal Regulatory Commission to add a domestic shipping services contract to the list of Negotiated Service Agreements in the Mail Classification Schedule's Competitive Products List.

**DATES:** Date of notice required under 39 U.S.C. 3642(d)(1): July 19, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Postal Service® hereby gives notice that, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 3632(b)(3), on July 13, 2017, it filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission a *Request of the United States Postal Service to Add Priority Mail Contract 334 to Competitive Product List*. Documents are available at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov), Docket Nos. MC2017-158, CP2017-222.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-81136; File No. SR-GEMX-2017-29]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq GEMX, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Schedule of Fees To Assess Connectivity Fees

July 13, 2017.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on June 29, 2017, Nasdaq GEMX, LLC (“GEMX” 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 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 Schedule of Fees to assess fees for OTTO Port, CTI Port, FIX Port, FIX Drop Port and Disaster Recovery Port connectivity, and to provide monthly [sic] cap on those fees of \$7,500. The Exchange is also proposing to delete fees and descriptions thereof for connectivity no longer used by the Exchange.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at [www.ise.com](http://www.ise.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 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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

###### 1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend the Schedule of Fees to assess fees for OTTO<sup>3</sup> Port, CTI<sup>4</sup>

<sup>3</sup> OTTO is an interface that allows market participants to connect and send orders, auction orders and auction responses into ISE Gemini [sic]. Data includes the following: (1) Options Auction Notifications (e.g., Flash, PIM, Solicitation and Facilitation or other information); (2) Options Symbol Directory Messages; (3) System Event Messages (e.g., start of messages, start of system hours, start of quoting, start of opening); (5) Option Trading Action Messages (e.g., halts, resumes); (6) Execution Messages; (7) Order Messages (order messages, risk protection triggers or purge notifications).

<sup>4</sup> CTI is a real-time clearing trade update is a message that is sent to a member after an execution has occurred and contains trade details. The message containing the trade details is also simultaneously sent to The Options Clearing Corporation. The information includes, among other things, the following: (i) The Clearing Member

Port, FIX<sup>5</sup> Port, FIX Drop<sup>6</sup> Port and Disaster Recovery Port<sup>7</sup> connectivity, and to provide a monthly cap on those fees of \$7,500. The Exchange recently completed the migration of the Exchange's trading system to the Nasdaq INET architecture.<sup>8</sup> This migration included the adoption of new connectivity, including OTTO, CTI, FIX, FIX Drop, Disaster Recovery Ports, which are the same as connectivity options currently used to connect to the Exchange's affiliates, including Nasdaq Options Market (“NOM”), Nasdaq BX (“BX”) and Nasdaq Phlx (“Phlx”).<sup>9</sup> When the Exchange adopted these new ports it did not assess a fee for them so that members would not be double charged for connectivity to the old Exchange architecture and the new Nasdaq INET architecture.<sup>10</sup>

The Exchange is proposing to amend the Nasdaq GEMX Schedule of Fees Section IV.E.4. to assess a fee of \$650 per month, per port, per account number<sup>11</sup> for OTTO, CTI, FIX, and FIX Drop ports. The Exchange is proposing to assess a fee of \$50 per month, per port, per account number for Disaster Recovery Ports. The Exchange notes that it is adding “per account number” to the fees described above to clarify that

Trade Agreement or “CMTA” or The Options Clearing Corporation or “OCC” number; (ii) Exchange badge or house number; (iii) the Exchange internal firm identifier; and (iv) an indicator which will distinguish electronic and non-electronically delivered orders; (v) liquidity indicators and transaction type for billing purposes; (vi) capacity.

<sup>5</sup> FIX is an interface that allows market participants to connect and send orders and auction orders into ISE Gemini [sic]. Data includes the following: (1) Options Symbol Directory Messages; (2) System Event Messages (e.g., start of messages, start of system hours, start of quoting, start of opening); (3) Option Trading Action Messages (e.g., halts, resumes); (4) Execution Messages; (5) Order Messages (order messages, risk protection triggers or purge notifications).

<sup>6</sup> FIX Drop is a real-time order and execution update is a message that is sent to a member after an order been received/modified or an execution has occurred and contains trade details. The information includes, among other things, the following: (1) Executions, (2) cancellations, (3) modifications to an existing order, (4) busts or post-trade corrections.

<sup>7</sup> Disaster Recovery ports provide connectivity to the exchange's disaster recovery data center in Chicago to be utilized in the event the exchange has to fail over during the trading day. DR Ports are available for SQF, SQF Purge, CTI, OTTO, FIX and FIX Drop.

<sup>8</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 80011 (February 10, 2017), 82 FR 10927 (February 16, 2017) (SR-ISEGemini-2016-17).

<sup>9</sup> See NOM Rules, Chapter XV Options Pricing, Sec. 3 NOM—Ports and other Services; BX Rules, Chapter XV Options Pricing, Sec. 3 BX—Ports and other Services; and Phlx Pricing Schedule, VII. Other Member Fees, B. Port Fees.

<sup>10</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 80213 (March 10, 2017), 82 FR 14066, 37499 [sic] (March 16, 2017) (SR-ISEGemini-2017-10).

<sup>11</sup> Account numbers are used to identify member order entry ports.

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

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