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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (1) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (2) impose any significant burden on competition; and (3) become operative for thirty 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, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act 11 and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) 12 thereunder. 13

A proposed rule change filed under Commission Rule 19b-4(f)(6) 14 normally does not become operative prior to thirty days after the date of filing. The CBOE requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay, as specified in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii), and designate the proposed rule change to become operative immediately to allow the Exchange to continue to operate under the existing allocation parameters for orders represented in open outcry in Hybrid on an uninterrupted basis. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because such waiver will allow the CBOE to continue to operate under the Rule without interruption. For these reasons, the Commission designates the proposed rule change as effective and operative upon filing. 15

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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 the 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 e-mail to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–CBOE–2007–10 on the subject line.

# Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Station Place, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2007-10. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the CBOE. 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-CBOE-2007-10 and should be submitted on or before March 2,

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{16}$ 

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-55223; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2007-07]

# Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 2 Thereto Relating to Exchange Fees and Charges

February 1, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),1 and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,2 notice is hereby given that on January 22, 2007, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" 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 substantially prepared by NYSE Arca. On January 29, 2007, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change. On January 31, 2007, NYSE Arca withdrew Amendment No. 1 and filed Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change. The Exchange has designated this proposal as one establishing or changing a due, fee or other charge imposed by the Exchange under Section 19(b)(3)(A)3 and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,4 which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as amended, from interested persons.

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

NYSE Arca proposes to amend its Schedule of Fees and Charges for Services ("Schedule") in order to revise certain Transaction Fees and to eliminate Marketing Fees for issues that trade as part of the Penny Pilot Program ("Pilot" or "Penny Pilot Program").<sup>5</sup> The text of the proposed rule change is available at <a href="http://www.nysearca.com/regulation/filings.asp">http://www.nysearca.com/regulation/filings.asp</a>, at the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>12 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Pursuant to Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii), the Exchange has given the Commission written notice of its 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 on which the Exchange filed the proposed rule change. See 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6).

 $<sup>^{15}\,\</sup>mathrm{For}$  the purposes only of waiving the operative date of this proposal, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>16 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<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> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 55156 (January 23, 2007) 72 FR 4759 (February 1, 2007) (SR-NYSEArca-2006-73).

### II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, NYSE Arca included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposal. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. NYSE Arca 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 revise the existing NYSE Arca Schedule in conjunction with the introduction of the Penny Pilot Program. The Exchange plans to include the following issues as part of the Penny Pilot Program. Agilent Technologies: (A), Advanced Micro Devices (AMD), Caterpillar (CAT), Flextronics International (FLEX), General Electric (GE), Intel (INTC), iShares Russell 2000 Index fund (IWM), Microsoft (MSFT), Nasdaq-100 Index Tracking Stock (QQQQ), Semiconductor Holders Trust (SMH), Sun Microsystems (SUNW), Texas Instruments (TXN), and Whole Foods Markets (WFMI). NYSE Arca is proposing to amend its Schedule in order to make the following changes to certain fees and charges that are assessed to OTP Holders and OTP Firms <sup>6</sup> in the above listed issues.

# Transaction Fees

NYSE Arca is proposing to implement a Post/Take pricing model for electronically executed transactions in issues that are part of the Penny Pilot Program. Under the proposed rate schedule, all electronic orders that add or "post" liquidity to the Consolidated Book (resting orders and resting quotes) will receive a transaction credit upon execution. Registered Market Makers 7 will receive a credit of \$0.30 per contract. All other trade participants, including but not limited to Brokers-Dealers and OTP Firms representing both Firm and Public Customer orders,

will receive a credit of \$0.25 per contract.

The Transaction Fee for all trade participants that "take" liquidity from the Consolidated Book (incoming electronic quotes and orders that are executed upon receipt) will be \$0.50 per contract. This fee will be applied to all trade participants, including Market Makers, Broker-Dealers and OTP Firms executing orders on behalf of Public Customers.

Electronically entered Contingency Orders, such as All or None ("AON") and Immediate or Cancel ("IOC") are deemed to be taking liquidity and therefore will be assessed the \$0.50 per contract fee.

Orders that take place as part of an Opening Auction are deemed to neither take nor post liquidity. For this reason, in issues that trade as part of the Penny Pilot Program, executions that take place as part of an Opening Auction will neither be assessed nor credited the Transaction Fee.

#### Linkage Fees

Linkage Orders executed at NYSE Arca are subject to the same billing treatment as other Broker Dealer orders. Since Linkage Orders that are sent to and executed on NYSE Arca will be taking liquidity, these orders will be assessed a \$0.50 per contract fee. This fee remains unchanged from the present fee. Linkage Orders that are not executed upon receipt are rejected back to the sender and are never posted in the Consolidated Book. Therefore, a Linkage Order would never be eligible to receive a credit of the Transaction Fee.

# Royalty Fees

For electronic executions in issues included in the Penny Pilot Program, where the Exchange pays a Royalty Fee to a licensed underwriter, the Royalty Fee will be passed through to the trading participant on the "take" side of the transaction. Royalty Fees will not be assessed on executions occurring during the Opening Auction in Pilot issues. Open Outcry executions in Pilot issues and all executions in non-Pilot issues will be subject to the current billing treatment covering Royalty Fees.

The above rates apply only to electronically executed transactions in Penny Pilot issues mentioned above, effective upon the date that they rollout as part of the Pilot. Initial plans for the Penny Pilot Program do not include any issues that have Royalty Fees associated with them. In the event that the Exchange was to propose the inclusion of a Royalty Fee issue in the Penny Pilot Program, it would do so through a rule filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 19b–4.

#### Marketing Fees

The Exchange presently assesses Market Makers <sup>9</sup> a \$0.65 per contract Marketing Fee on all transactions involving public customer orders. For orders in the NASDAQ–100 Tracking Stock (QQQQ), the Exchange charges Market Makers \$0.95 per contract; in the Standard and Poor's Depository Receipts (SPY), the Exchange charges \$1.00 per contract. Market Makers are assessed Marketing Fees on both public customer orders and Broker Dealer orders in the QQQQ and the SPY. Market Maker to Market Maker orders are never assessed a Marketing Fee.

As part of the Penny Pilot Program, NYSE Arca will be quoting and trading a limited number of issues in one cent increments. For transactions in issues which are included as part of the Penny Pilot Program, the Exchange will no longer collect a Marketing Fee. All other aspects of the Marketing Fee will remain the same.

#### Rollout of the Pilot

The Penny Pilot Program commenced on January 26, 2007. 10 Initially, as mentioned above, only a limited number of issues will be included in the Pilot. It is anticipated that the rollout of all issues will be completed over a three week period. The above rate changes apply only to transactions in Pilot issues, effective upon the date that they rollout as part of the Penny Pilot Program.

# 2. Statutory Basis

NYSE Arca believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>11</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act,<sup>12</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of dues, fees and other charges among its members.

#### B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

NYSE Arca 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The terms OTP Holders and OTP Firms are defined in NYSE Arca Rules 1.1(q) and 1.1(r), respectively. OTP Holders and OTP Firms have the status of a "member" of NYSE Arca as that term is defined in Section 3 of the Act.

 $<sup>^7\,\</sup>mathrm{The}$  term Market Maker is defined in NYSE Arca Rules 6.1(c) and 6.1A(a)(8).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Fees imposed on Linkage Orders are subject to an Exchange pilot program and will expire on July 31, 2007

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See supra, note 7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See supra, note 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>12 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

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 foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act 13 and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b–4 thereunder 14 because it establishes or changes a due, fee or other charge imposed by the Exchange. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary of appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in the 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 e-mail to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number SR–NYSEArca–2007–07 on the subject line.

#### Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NYSEArca–2007–07. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NYSE Arca. 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 No. SR-NYSEArca-2007-07 and should be submitted on or before March 2, 2007.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{15}$ 

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-55232; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2007-09]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Expanding the Business Activities of Archipelago Securities, L.L.C.

February 2, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on January 25, 2007, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or the "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 substantially prepared by NYSE Arca. 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

NYSE Arca is proposing to expand the business activities of Archipelago Securities, L.L.C. ("Archipelago Securities"), a registered broker-dealer, a member of several self-regulatory organizations including the NASD, and a facility of the Exchange. With this filing, the Exchange proposes that, in addition to providing an optional outbound order routing service for the Exchange, Archipelago Securities shall act as a marketing agent on behalf of NYSE Arca Tech 100 Index (the "Index") and NYSE Arca Tech 100 ETF (the "ETF") and provide reasonable services attendant thereto.

#### II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, NYSE Arca 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. NYSE Arca 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

In October 2001, the Commission approved Wave Securities, L.L.C. ("Wave") to operate as a facility of the Exchange, as that term is defined in Section 3(a)(2) of the Act.<sup>3</sup> At that time, the Commission authorized Wave to perform outbound router services for the Exchange, as a facility of the Exchange. Archipelago Securities succeeded Wave in the second quarter of 2003 and assumed certain of Wave's duties, including the outbound router function. The Commission subsequently reapproved the outbound router function as a facility of the Exchange in connection with the acquisition of the Pacific Exchange, Inc. by Archipelago Holdings, Inc., the parent company of the Exchange.4 Pursuant to the Archipelago/PCX Acquisition Release, any expansion of the business activities of Archipelago Securities must be approved by the Commission. Most recently, the Commission approved the expansion of the business activities of Archipelago Securities to include, as a facility of the Exchange, the function of

<sup>13 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b7–4(f)(2).

<sup>15 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<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. 44983 (October 25, 2001), 66 FR 55225 (November 1, 2001) (SR-PCX-00-25).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52497 (September 22, 2005), 70 FR 56949 (September 29, 2005) (SR–PCX–2005–90) ("Archipelago/PCX Acquisition Release").