The Commission is extending this 45-day time period.

The Commission finds that it is 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 proposed rule change. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> designates May 30, 2016, as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change (File Number SR–NASDAQ–2016–023).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^6$ 

#### Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-77586; File No. SR-OPRA-2015-03]

Options Price Reporting Authority; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Amendment to the Plan for Reporting of Consolidated Options Last Sale Reports and Quotation Information To Amend the Redistribution Fee Set Forth in OPRA's Fee Schedule

April 12, 2016.

Pursuant to Section 11A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") 1 and Rule 608 thereunder,2 notice is hereby given that on September 22, 2015, the Options Price Reporting Authority ("OPRA") submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") an amendment to the Plan for Reporting of Consolidated Options Last Sale Reports and Quotation Information ("OPRA Plan").3 Effective January 1,

- <sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).
- 6 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).
- <sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78k–1.
- $^2$  17 CFR 242.608.  $^3$  The OPRA Plan is a national market system plan

approved by the Commission pursuant to Section

2016, the OPRA Plan amendment revised the description of OPRA's reduced rate Redistribution Fee. The Commission is publishing this notice to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit written comments on the OPRA Plan amendment.

## I. Description and Purpose of the Plan Amendment

The purpose of the amendment is to amend the OPRA Fee Schedule to revise the description of one of OPRA's Redistribution Fees. Specifically, the purpose of the OPRA Plan amendment is to make clear that OPRA's "reduced rate" Redistribution Fee of \$650/month is available only to Vendor Services that are intended for Subscribers that want to query specific OPRA data, and that this fee is not available for any Vendor Service that includes a data streaming capability. In effect, the OPRA Plan amendment returns the applicability of this fee to the scope that it had when it was first implemented in 1999.

An OPRA Redistribution Fee is payable by every OPRA "Vendor." An OPRA "Vendor" is a recipient of OPRA data that redistributes the data "externally"—that is, to persons outside the data recipient itself. OPRA has had a two-tier Redistribution Fee for many years: the basic OPRA Redistribution Fee has been \$1,500/month for many years, and a reduced rate of \$650/month has been available for many years.<sup>4</sup> OPRA has referred to this reduced rate as the "Internet Service Only" rate.

The OPRA Plan amendment changed the description of the reduced rate of \$650/month to specify that the reduced rate is for "Query service only," rather than "Internet service only," and revised the footnote that accompanies the reduced rate to state that: "A Vendor's Service qualifies for the 'Query service only' rate if the Vendor's Service provides access to OPRA Data only on a 'query' basis without any autorefreshing capability and does not redistribute OPRA Data via dedicated lines or to the systems of one or more other Vendors (sometimes referred to as

Incorporated, EDGX Exchange, Inc., International Securities Exchange, LLC, ISE Gemini, LLC, ISE Mercury, LLC, Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC, NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc., NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC, NYSE MKT LLC, and NYSE Arca, Inc.

'downstream Vendors') or to one or more Hosted Solutions."  $^5$ 

When OPRA implemented the "Internet service only" Redistribution Fee, an "Internet service only" was a service that was not suitable for high-speed/high-reliability data transmission and high traffic volumes, and was a service appropriate for retail customers interested in querying specific options quotations and last sale prices.

OPRA estimates that the revised definition of the reduced rate Redistribution Fee is likely to affect between 35 and 45 of its Vendors, out of a total population of roughly 200 Vendors. Many of the remaining 155 to 165 OPRA Vendors also utilize the Internet to disseminate their data services, and pay the regular OPRA Redistribution Fee. Accordingly OPRA believes that the OPRA Plan amendment will cause all Vendors that are similarly situated in terms of the means of dissemination of their data services to be subject to the same OPRA Redistribution Fee.

For an OPRA Vendor that is required to pay the regular Redistribution Fee instead of the reduced rate as a result of the change, the change will result in an increase of \$850/month or \$10,200/year in its OPRA Redistribution Fees. If the maximum estimated number of 45 Vendors are affected by the change and none cease to be OPRA Vendors, OPRA's annualized revenues would increase by \$459,000 as a result of the change, representing approximately a 0.67% increase in OPRA's annualized revenues; any lesser number of Vendors being affected by the change would result in a smaller increase in OPRA's revenues as a result of the change.

The text of the OPRA Plan amendment is available at OPRA, the Commission's Public Reference Room, on OPRA's Web site at http://opradata.com, and on the Commission's Web site at www.sec.gov.

## II. Implementation of the OPRA Plan Amendment

Pursuant to paragraph (b)(3)(i) of Rule 608 of Regulation NMS under the Act, OPRA designated this amendment as establishing or changing fees or other charges collected on behalf of all of the OPRA participants in connection with access to or use of OPRA facilities.

<sup>11</sup>A of the Act and Rule 608 thereunder (formerly Rule 11Aa3-2). See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 17638 (March 18, 1981), 22 S.E.C. Docket 484 (March 31, 1981). The full text of the OPRA Plan is available at <a href="https://www.opradata.com">https://www.opradata.com</a>. The OPRA Plan provides for the collection and dissemination of last sale and quotation information on options that are traded on the participant exchanges. The fourteen participants to the OPRA Plan are BATS Exchange, Inc., BOX Options Exchange, LLC, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, C2 Options Exchange,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> OPRA first introduced a reduced rate of \$600 "payable by those redistributors who utilize the Internet as their exclusive means of redistribution" in 1998. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 40791 (December 15, 1998), 63 FR 70815 (December 22, 1998) (SR–OPRA–98–03). OPRA subsequently increased the reduced rate to \$650 in 2002. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 45315 (January 18, 2002), 67 FR 4477 (January 30, 2002) (SR–OPRA–2001–05).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> OPRA added the footnote that accompanies the reduced rate in File No. SR–OPRA–2011–02. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64819 (July 6, 2011), 76 FR 40967 (July 12, 2011). OPRA's experience has been that some Vendors have continued to assume, notwithstanding the footnote, that they qualify for the reduced rate even though they provide high message capacity data streaming continues.

OPRA put the revised description of reduced rate Redistribution Fee into effect as of January 1, 2016.

## III. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the OPRA Plan amendment is consistent with the Act.<sup>6</sup> 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. SR— OPRA-2015-03 on the subject line.

## Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-OPRA-2015-03. 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 OPRA Plan amendment that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the OPRA Plan amendment 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 OPRA. 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–OPRA–2015–03 and should be submitted on or before May 9, 2016.

By the Commission.

#### Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-77588; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2016-54]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Amending the NYSE Arca Equities Schedule of Fees and Charges for Exchange Services

April 12, 2016.

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 March 31, 2016, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "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 the Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the NYSE Arca Equities Schedule of Fees and Charges for Exchange Services ("Fee Schedule"). The Exchange proposes to implement the fee changes effective April 1, 2016. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at <a href="https://www.nyse.com">www.nyse.com</a>, 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 the Fee Schedule as follows:

## **Routing Fees**

The Exchange proposes to modify the fees that it charges for routing orders to other market centers. Currently, for the Exchange's Tier 1 and Tier 2 customers, the Exchange charges the following routing fees:

- \$0.0027 per share in Tape A Securities for orders routed outside the Book to the NYSE:
- \$0.0027 per share in Tape A Securities for Primary Only Plus ("PO+") Orders <sup>4</sup> routed to the NYSE that remove liquidity;
- \$0.0030 per share in Tape B Securities for orders routed outside the Book to any away market center;
- \$0.0028 per share in Tape B Securities for Primary Only ("PO") Orders <sup>5</sup> and PO+ Orders routed to NYSE MKT that remove liquidity from the NYSE MKT Book;
- \$0.0030 per share in Tape B Securities for PO+ Orders routed outside the Book to NASDAQ;
- \$0.0030 per share in Tape A and Tape C Securities for orders routed outside the Book to any away market center other than NYSE; and
- \$0.0030 per share in Tape A and Tape C Securities for PO+ Orders routed outside the Book to NASDAQ.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Pursuant to Rule 608(b)(3)(iii) of Regulation NMS, the Commission may summarily abrogate an immediately effective NMS Plan amendment within sixty days of its filing and require refiling and approval of the amendment if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or the maintenance of fair and orderly markets, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanisms of, a national market system, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. See 17 CFR 242.608(b)(3)(iii). The abrogation period for the OPRA Plan amendment has expired. Interested persons may nevertheless submit written comments on the OPRA Plan amendment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 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 PO+ Order is a Primary Only Order (*i.e.*, a market or limit order that is to be routed to the primary market) that is entered for participation in the primary market, other than for participation in the primary market oreopening. See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.31(f)(1)(C).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A PO Order is a market or limit [sic] that is routed to the primary, listing market, without sweeping the NYSE Arca book. See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.31(f)(1). See also NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.31P(f)(1).