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Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change * Add Remove View	The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO] -xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)			
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Exhibit 4 - Marked CopiesAddRemoveView	The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.			
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1. <u>Text of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) ISE Gemini, LLC ("ISE Gemini" or the "Exchange"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") a proposal to delay the implementation of the Block Order Mechanism³ functionality on ISE Gemini.

The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay period contained in Exchange Act Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii).⁴

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> is at <u>Exhibit 1</u> and the text of the amended Exchange Rule is at <u>Exhibit 5</u>.

- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

2. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

The proposed rule change was approved by senior management of the Exchange pursuant to authority delegated by the Board of Directors (the "Board") on August 15, 2016. Exchange staff will advise the Board of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to:

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ Block-size orders are orders for fifty (50) contracts or more. The Block Order Mechanism is a process by which a Member can obtain liquidity for the execution of block-size orders pursuant to Rule 716 (c).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

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3. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

a. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange recently filed a proposed rule change to amend Rule 716, Block Order Mechanism, along with other rules to reflect the ISE Gemini technology migration to a Nasdaq, Inc. ("Nasdaq") supported architecture.⁵ The Exchange noted in the rule change to amend Rule 716 that it intends to begin implementation of the proposed rule changes in Q1 2017.⁶ The migration will be on a symbol by symbol basis, and the Exchange will issue an alert to members in the form of an Options Trader Alert to provide notification of the symbols that will migrate and the relevant dates.

At this time, the Exchange proposes to delay the implementation of the Block Order Mechanism functionality in ISE Gemini Rule 716(c). The Exchange proposes to no longer offer the functionality as of a date prior to February 27, 2017. The Exchange will notify Members of the exact date the functionality will no longer be available by issuing a Market Information Circular. The Exchange proposes to launch this

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 80011 (February 10, 2017), 82 FR 10927 (SR-ISEGemini-2016-17) (Order Approving Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment Nos. 1 and 2, To Amend Various Rules in Connection With a System Migration to Nasdaq INET Technology).

^{6 &}lt;u>Id.</u>

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functionality prior to June 1, 2017 and will notify Members of the exact implementation date by issuing a Market Information Circular. The Facilitation Mechanism in ISE Gemini Rule 716(d) and the Solicited Order Mechanism in ISE Gemini Rule 716(e) will be available and are unaffected by this rule change.

The Exchange desires to rollout this functionality at a later date to allow additional time to build out and test this feature on the new INET platform. The Exchange is staging the replatform to provide maximum benefit to its Members while also ensuring a successful rollout. This delay will provide the Exchange additional time to implement this functionality. The Exchange notes that no market participant would be impacted by the delay in implementation as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini.

(b) <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,⁷ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁸ in particular, in that it is designed 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 for the reasons stated below.

The Exchange believes that delaying the implementation of the Block Order Mechanism functionality on ISE Gemini is consistent with the Act because the Exchange desires to rollout this functionality at a later date to allow additional time to build out this

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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feature and test on the new INET platform. The Exchange is staging the replatform to provide maximum benefit to its Members while also ensuring a successful rollout. This delay will provide the Exchange additional time to implement this functionality. There is no impact to market participants as a result of this delay as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini. The Exchange will provide notice to Members to ensure clarity about the delay of implementation of this functionality.

4. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impact the intense competition that exists in the options market. No market participant will be impacted by the delay of implementation of this functionality as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini. The Exchange plans to offer the functionality after a short period of delay.

5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u> <u>Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

No written comments were either solicited or received.

6. <u>Extension of Time Period for Commission Action</u>

The Exchange does not consent to an extension of the time period for

Commission action.

7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated</u> Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section

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19(b)(3)(A)(iii)⁹ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹⁰ in that it effects a change that: (i) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange does not believe this proposal significantly affects the protection of investors or the public interest because no market participant will be impacted by the delay of implementation of this functionality as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini. The Exchange does not believe that this proposal imposes any significant burden on competition because the Exchange plans to offer the functionality after a short period of delay.

Furthermore, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file a proposed rule change under that subsection at least five business days prior to the date of filing, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has provided such notice.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is: (i) necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing. Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii), however, permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay contained in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) so that if allows additional time to rebuild this technology and test on the new platform. The Exchange is staging the replatform to provide maximum benefit to its Members while also ensuring a successful rollout. This delay for Block Order Mechanism will provide the Exchange additional time to implement this functionality and ensure that it is properly functioning prior to rollout on INET. There is no impact to market participants as a result of this delay as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini.

8. <u>Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization</u> or of the Commission

Not applicable.

- Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act Not applicable.
- 10. <u>Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and</u> <u>Settlement Supervision Act</u>

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

- 1. Notice of proposed rule for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>.
- 5. Text of the proposed rule change.

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. ; File No. SR-ISEGemini-2017-05)

February ___, 2017

Self-Regulatory Organizations; ISE Gemini, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Related to a Delay of Implementation for the Block Trade Mechanism

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 February 16, 2017, ISE Gemini,

LLC ("ISE Gemini" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission

("SEC" or "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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the</u> <u>Proposed Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to delay the implementation of the Block Order

Mechanism³ functionality on ISE Gemini.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at <u>www.ise.com</u>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ Block-size orders are orders for fifty (50) contracts or more. The Block Order Mechanism is a process by which a Member can obtain liquidity for the execution of block-size orders pursuant to Rule 716 (c).

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

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange recently filed a proposed rule change to amend Rule 716, Block Order Mechanism, along with other rules to reflect the ISE Gemini technology migration to a Nasdaq, Inc. ("Nasdaq") supported architecture.⁴ The Exchange noted in the rule change to amend Rule 716 that it intends to begin implementation of the proposed rule changes in Q1 2017.⁵ The migration will be on a symbol by symbol basis, and the Exchange will issue an alert to members in the form of an Options Trader Alert to provide notification of the symbols that will migrate and the relevant dates.

At this time, the Exchange proposes to delay the implementation of the Block Order Mechanism functionality in ISE Gemini Rule 716(c). The Exchange proposes to no longer offer the functionality as of a date prior to February 27, 2017. The Exchange will notify Members of the exact date the functionality will no longer be available by

 <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 80011 (February 10, 2017), 82 FR 10927 (SR-ISEGemini-2016-17) (Order Approving Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment Nos. 1 and 2, To Amend Various Rules in Connection With a System Migration to Nasdaq INET Technology).

⁵ <u>Id.</u>

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issuing a Market Information Circular. The Exchange proposes to launch this functionality prior to June 1, 2017 and will notify Members of the exact implementation date by issuing a Market Information Circular. The Facilitation Mechanism in ISE Gemini Rule 716(d) and the Solicited Order Mechanism in ISE Gemini Rule 716(e) will be available and are unaffected by this rule change.

The Exchange desires to rollout this functionality at a later date to allow additional time to build out and test this feature on the new INET platform. The Exchange is staging the replatform to provide maximum benefit to its Members while also ensuring a successful rollout. This delay will provide the Exchange additional time to implement this functionality. The Exchange notes that no market participant would be impacted by the delay in implementation as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini.

2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of 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 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 for the reasons stated below.

The Exchange believes that delaying the implementation of the Block Order Mechanism functionality on ISE Gemini is consistent with the Act because the Exchange

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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desires to rollout this functionality at a later date to allow additional time to build out this feature and test on the new INET platform. The Exchange is staging the replatform to provide maximum benefit to its Members while also ensuring a successful rollout. This delay will provide the Exchange additional time to implement this functionality. There is no impact to market participants as a result of this delay as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini. The Exchange will provide notice to Members to ensure clarity about the delay of implementation of this functionality.

B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impact the intense competition that exists in the options market. No market participant will be impacted by the delay of implementation of this functionality as no participants currently utilize this feature on ISE Gemini. The Exchange plans to offer the functionality after a short period of delay.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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

Because the foregoing 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 for 30 days from the date on which it was filed,

or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act⁸ and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.⁹

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is: (i) necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule 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 e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov.</u> Please include File Number SR-

ISEGemini-2017-05 on the subject line.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give 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. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

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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-ISEGemini-2017-05. 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 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; 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-ISEGemini-2017-05 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to

delegated authority.¹⁰

Robert W. Errett Deputy Secretary

¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

ISE GEMINI, LLC RULES

New text is underlined; deleted text is in brackets.

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CHAPTER 7 Doing Business On The Exchange

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Rule 716. Block Trades

The Block Order Mechanism in Rule 716(c) will not be available on a date prior to February 27, 2017, the date to be announced in a separate Market Information Circular. The Exchange will recommence the Block Order Mechanism on ISE Gemini prior to June 1, 2017, the date to be announced in a separate Market Information Circular.

(a) - (e) No change.

Supplementary Material to Rule 716

.01 - .09 No change.

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