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amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

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1. <u>Text of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) Nasdaq GEMX, LLC ("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 ("Commission") a proposal to amend Port Fees at Section IV, E to indicate those fees are not prorated.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> is attached as <u>Exhibit 1</u>. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as <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 September 19, 2017. 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:

Angela Saccomandi Dunn Principal Associate General Counsel Nasdaq, Inc. 215-496-5692.

¹ 15 U.S.C. § 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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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 purpose of the proposed rule change is to include language within the Schedule of Fees at Section IV, E, entitled "Port Fees" to clarify that the port fees in this section are not subject to proration. Today, the Exchange does not prorate the pricing for these ports.

Background

The Exchange previously filed³ to: (1) establish ports and gateways that members use to connect to the Exchange with the migration of the Exchange's trading system to the Nasdaq INET architecture, and (2) amend the Schedule of Fees to adopt fees for those ports and gateways. The Exchange established fees for the following connectivity options that are available in connection with the Exchange's trading system: Specialized Quote Feed ("SQF"),⁴ SQF Purge,⁵ Ouch to Trade Options ("OTTO"),⁶ Clearing Trade

See Securities and Exchange Act Release No. 80649 (May 10, 2017), 82 FR 22595 (May 16, 2017) (SR-GEMX-2017-07).

SQF is an interface that allows market makers to connect and send quotes, sweeps and auction responses into the Exchange. Data includes the following: (1) Options Auction Notifications (e.g., opening imbalance, 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); (4) Option Trading Action Messages (e.g., halts, resumes); (5) Execution Messages (6) Quote Messages (quote/sweep messages, risk protection triggers or purge notifications).

SQF Purge is a specific port for the SQF interface that only receives and notifies of purge requests from the market maker. Dedicated SQF Purge Ports enable market makers to seamlessly manage their ability to remove their quotes in a swift manner.

OTTO is an interface that allows market participants to connect and send orders, auction orders and auction responses into the Exchange. Data includes the

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Interface ("CTI"),⁷ Financial Information eXchange ("FIX"),⁸ FIX Drop,⁹ Disaster Recovery,¹⁰ and Market Data Port.¹¹ The Exchange proposes to add a clarifying sentence

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).

- CTI is a real-time clearing trade update 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 ("OCC"). The information includes, among other things, the following: (i) The Clearing Member Trade Agreement or "CMTA" 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.
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- 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, Dedicated SQF, CTI, OTTO, FIX and FIX Drop.
- Market Data ports provide connectivity to the Exchange's proprietary market data feeds, including the Nasdaq GEMX Real-time Depth of Market Raw Data Feed ("Depth of Market Feed"), the Nasdaq GEMX Order Feed ("Order Feed"), the Nasdaq GEMX Top Quote Feed ("Top Quote Feed"), the Nasdaq GEMX Trades Feed ("Trades Feed"), and the Nasdaq GEMX Spread Feed ("Spread Feed"). Each of the feeds described above, with the exception of the Trades Feed, have previously been established as market data offerings of the Exchange, and market

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to make clear that port fees are assessed in full month increments and are not prorated, to avoid any confusion.

b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act, ¹² in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, ¹³ 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, by clearly specifying in Section IV, E that the Exchange's pricing regarding ports is not prorated. The Exchange believes that its decision to not prorate these ports is consistent with the Act because prorating billing results in complexity and increased costs associated with the billing process. The Exchange notes that this proposal does not amend the Exchange's current billing practice.

4. 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 not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the

participants are charged for subscriptions to these products. The Trades Feed is a free market data product provided to subscribers of at least one of the fee liable market data products described above. In connection with the adoption of Market Data ports described above, the Exchange further proposes to establish the Trades Feed. Market Data ports are available via multicast, TCP, or as an intra-day snapshot, except that the intra-day snapshot option is available solely for the Depth of Market Feed, Top Quote Feed, and Spread Feed.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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Act. The Exchange will uniformly assess the fees in Section IV, E to all GEMX Members in a uniform manner.

- 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.
- Extension of Time Period for Commission Action
 Not applicable.
- 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)</u>

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii)¹⁴ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹⁵ 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 believes that adding language to clarify the Exchange will not prorate the Port Fees in Section IV, E does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest because there is no substantive change to the manner in which the Exchange bills these services. The Exchange believes that adding language to clarify the Exchange will not prorate the Port Fees in Section IV, E does not impose any significant burden on competition because the language serves only to clarify an existing

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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practice.

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.

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 the Exchange may clarify that the Port Fees in Chapter IV, E will not be prorated to avoid any misunderstanding. The Exchange believes that clarifying that the Port Fees are not subject to proration will serve to protect investors and the public interest.

- Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission
 Not applicable.
- Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act Not applicable.

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10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

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

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EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. ; File No. SR-GEMX-2018-06)

February ___, 2018

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq GEMX, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Port Fees

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 9, 2018, Nasdaq GEMX, LLC ("GEMX" 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 Proposed Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend Port Fees at Section IV, E to indicate those fees are not prorated.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at http://nasdaqgemx.cchwallstreet.com/, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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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. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to include language within the Schedule of Fees at Section IV, E, entitled "Port Fees" to clarify that the port fees in this section are not subject to proration. Today, the Exchange does not prorate the pricing for these ports.

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to make clear that port fees are assessed in full month increments and are not prorated, to avoid any confusion.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act, ¹² in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, ¹³ 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, by clearly specifying in Section IV, E that the Exchange's pricing regarding ports is not prorated. The Exchange believes that its decision to not prorate these ports is consistent with the Act because prorating billing results in complexity and increased costs associated with the billing process. The Exchange notes that this proposal does not amend the Exchange's current billing practice.

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¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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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 will uniformly assess the fees in Section IV, E to all GEMX Members in a uniform manner.

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. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>

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 Act¹⁴ and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹⁵

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

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

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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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-GEMX-2018-06 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-GEMX-2018-06. 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

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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-GEMX-2018-06 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. ¹⁶

Eduardo A. Aleman Assistant Secretary

¹⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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EXHIBIT 5

New text is underlined; deleted text is in brackets.

Nasdaq GEMX Schedule of Fees

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IV. Connectivity Fees

 $\mathbf{A.} - \mathbf{D.}$ No change.

E. Port Fees

1. Ports*

Port Fees are assessed in full month increments and are not prorated.

SQF Port Fee: \$1,250 per port per month SQF Purge Port Fee: \$1,250 per port per month

OTTO Port Fee:

CTI Port Fee:

\$650 per port, per month, per account number

\$650 per port, per month, per account number

FIX Port Fee:

\$650 per port, per month, per account number

The SQF Port and the SQF Purge Port are subject to a monthly cap of \$17,500, which cap is applicable to Market Makers. OTTO Port, CTI Port, FIX Port, FIX Drop Port and Disaster Recovery Port are subject to a monthly cap of \$7,500.

$\mathbf{F.} - \mathbf{I.}$ No change.

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^{*} The connectivity provided under this section applies to ports used to connect to the replatformed Nasdaq GEMX trading system.