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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 ISE, LLC ("ISE" or "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 delete the current rules on arbitration ("Current Arbitration Rules"), under Chapter 18, and incorporate by reference The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC's ("Nasdaq") rules on arbitration at General 6 ("Proposed Arbitration Rules"), into General 6 of the Exchange's rulebook's ("Rulebook") shell structure.³

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. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

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.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

Recently, the Exchange added a shell structure to its Rulebook with the purpose of improving efficiency and readability and to align its rules closer to those of its five sister exchanges, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Nasdaq BX, Inc.; Nasdaq PHLX LLC; Nasdaq GEMX, LLC; and Nasdaq MRX, LLC ("Affiliated Exchanges"). The shell structure currently contains eight (8) Chapters which, once complete, will apply a common set of rules to the Affiliated Exchanges. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 82173 (November 29, 2017), 82 FR 57505 (December 5, 2017) (SR-ISE-2017-102).

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

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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 proposes to delete the rules on arbitration, currently under Chapter 18, and incorporate by reference the Nasdaq rules on arbitration at General 6 of Nasdaq's rulebook into General 6 of the Exchange's Rulebook.

The Exchange adopted the Current Arbitration Rules to ensure a fair and efficient manner in which to handle any dispute, claim or controversy arising out of, or in connection with, the business of any Member of the Exchange. To help administer the process of dispute resolution, the Exchange and FINRA are parties to a Regulatory Contract, pursuant to which FINRA has agreed to perform certain functions and provide access to certain services, including: member regulation and registration; non-real time market surveillance; examinations and investigations; and dispute resolution. FINRA currently operates the largest securities dispute resolution forum in the United States⁴, and has given the Exchange access to these services. Under the Current Arbitration

⁴ http://www.finra.org/arbitration-and-mediation

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Rules, Members and associated persons of a Member are subject to the FINRA Code of Arbitration Procedure.

Because the Affiliated Exchanges are also parties to similar Regulatory Contracts with FINRA that make their members and associated persons of such members subject to the FINRA Code of Arbitration Procedure, the Exchange believes it is pertinent that a common set of rules on arbitration be included in the General section of the Rulebook's shell. Nasdaq completed this process recently⁵ and, pursuant to subsequent filings, the intention is to replace the existing arbitration rules for each of the Affiliated Exchanges by incorporating the Nasdaq rules on arbitration by reference.

Therefore, the Exchange will incorporate by reference the Proposed Arbitration Rules in "General 6 Arbitration" of the shell's "General Rules" section.

The relocation and harmonization of the arbitration rules is part of the Exchange's continued effort to promote efficiency and conformity of its processes with those of its Affiliated Exchanges. The Exchange believes that the adoption and placement of the Proposed Arbitration Rules to their new location in the shell will facilitate the use of the Rulebook by Members of the Exchange who are members of other Affiliated Exchanges. Moreover, the proposed changes are of a conforming nature and will not amend the substance of the adopted rules other than to update the language to that of the Proposed Arbitration Rules, and to make conforming cross-reference changes.

ISE will continue to file proposed rule changes to amend its General 6 Rules until such time as it receives an exemption from the Securities and Exchange Commission,

 <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 83834 (August 13, 2018), 83 FR 41115 (August 17, 2018) (SR-NASDAQ-2018-067).

See footnote 3.

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pursuant to its authority under Section 36 of the Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 0-12⁷ thereunder, from the Section 19(b) filing requirements to separately file a proposed rule change to amend General 6.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act, 8 in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, 9 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 promoting efficiency and structural conformity of the Exchange's processes with those of the Affiliated Exchanges and to make the Exchange's Rulebook easier to read and more accessible to its Members. The Exchange believes that the adoption and harmonization of the arbitration rules and cross-reference updates are of a non-substantive nature.

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 proposed changes do not impose a burden on competition because, as previously stated, they are (i) of a non-substantive nature, (ii) intended to harmonize the structure of the Exchange's rules with those of its Affiliated Exchanges, and (iii) intended

See 17 CFR 240.0-12; Securities Exchange Act Release No. 39624 (February 5, 1998), 63 FR 8101 (February 18, 1998).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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to organize the Rulebook in a way that it will ease the Members' navigation and reading of the rules across the Affiliated Exchanges.

- 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)¹⁰ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹¹ 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 that the relocation and harmonization of the arbitration rules will significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest because the proposed changes are only intended to relocate and harmonize the rules and update their cross-references. Moreover, the Exchange does not believe that this proposal will impose any significant burden on competition because, as explained, the changes are non-substantive, are intended to align the structure of the Exchange's Rulebook to the

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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Affiliated Exchanges' and generally seek to improve the organization and readability of the Exchange's rules.

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 necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or 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 believes that its proposal will protect investors and the public interest, by promoting efficiency and structural conformity of the Exchange's processes with those of the Affiliated Exchanges and to make the Exchange's Rulebook easier to read and more accessible to its Members, market participants, and the general public.

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

Not applicable.

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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 Settlement Supervision Act</u>

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

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

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EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. ; File No. SR-ISE-2018-85)

October ___, 2018

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq ISE, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Delete Current Rules on Arbitration, under Chapter 18

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 October 9, 2018, Nasdaq ISE, LLC ("ISE" 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 delete the current rules on arbitration ("Current Arbitration Rules"), under Chapter 18, and incorporate by reference The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC's ("Nasdaq") rules on arbitration at General 6 ("Proposed Arbitration Rules"), into General 6 of the Exchange's rulebook's ("Rulebook") shell structure.³

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Recently, the Exchange added a shell structure to its Rulebook with the purpose of improving efficiency and readability and to align its rules closer to those of its five sister exchanges, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Nasdaq BX, Inc.; Nasdaq PHLX LLC; Nasdaq GEMX, LLC; and Nasdaq MRX, LLC ("Affiliated Exchanges"). The shell structure currently contains eight (8) Chapters which, once complete, will apply a common set of rules to the Affiliated Exchanges. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 82173 (November 29, 2017), 82 FR 57505 (December 5, 2017) (SR-ISE-2017-102).

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The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at http://ise.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 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 Exchange proposes to delete the rules on arbitration, currently under Chapter 18, and incorporate by reference the Nasdaq rules on arbitration at General 6 of Nasdaq's rulebook into General 6 of the Exchange's Rulebook.

The Exchange adopted the Current Arbitration Rules to ensure a fair and efficient manner in which to handle any dispute, claim or controversy arising out of, or in connection with, the business of any Member of the Exchange. To help administer the process of dispute resolution, the Exchange and FINRA are parties to a Regulatory Contract, pursuant to which FINRA has agreed to perform certain functions and provide access to certain services, including: member regulation and registration; non-real time market surveillance; examinations and investigations; and dispute resolution. FINRA

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currently operates the largest securities dispute resolution forum in the United States⁴, and has given the Exchange access to these services. Under the Current Arbitration Rules, Members and associated persons of a Member are subject to the FINRA Code of Arbitration Procedure.

Because the Affiliated Exchanges are also parties to similar Regulatory Contracts with FINRA that make their members and associated persons of such members subject to the FINRA Code of Arbitration Procedure, the Exchange believes it is pertinent that a common set of rules on arbitration be included in the General section of the Rulebook's shell. Nasdaq completed this process recently⁵ and, pursuant to subsequent filings, the intention is to replace the existing arbitration rules for each of the Affiliated Exchanges by incorporating the Nasdaq rules on arbitration by reference.

Therefore, the Exchange will incorporate by reference the Proposed Arbitration Rules in "General 6 Arbitration" of the shell's "General Rules" section.

The relocation and harmonization of the arbitration rules is part of the Exchange's continued effort to promote efficiency and conformity of its processes with those of its Affiliated Exchanges.⁶ The Exchange believes that the adoption and placement of the Proposed Arbitration Rules to their new location in the shell will facilitate the use of the Rulebook by Members of the Exchange who are members of other Affiliated Exchanges. Moreover, the proposed changes are of a conforming nature and will not amend the

⁴ http://www.finra.org/arbitration-and-mediation

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 83834 (August 13, 2018), 83 FR 41115 (August 17, 2018) (SR-NASDAQ-2018-067).

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substance of the adopted rules other than to update the language to that of the Proposed Arbitration Rules, and to make conforming cross-reference changes.

ISE will continue to file proposed rule changes to amend its General 6 Rules until such time as it receives an exemption from the Securities and Exchange Commission, pursuant to its authority under Section 36 of the Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 0-12⁷ thereunder, from the Section 19(b) filing requirements to separately file a proposed rule change to amend General 6.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act, 8 in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, 9 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 promoting efficiency and structural conformity of the Exchange's processes with those of the Affiliated Exchanges and to make the Exchange's Rulebook easier to read and more accessible to its Members. The Exchange believes that the adoption and harmonization of the arbitration rules and cross-reference updates are of a non-substantive nature.

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

See 17 CFR 240.0-12; Securities Exchange Act Release No. 39624 (February 5, 1998), 63 FR 8101 (February 18, 1998).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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Act. The proposed changes do not impose a burden on competition because, as previously stated, they are (i) of a non-substantive nature, (ii) intended to harmonize the structure of the Exchange's rules with those of its Affiliated Exchanges, and (iii) intended to organize the Rulebook in a way that it will ease the Members' navigation and reading of the rules across the Affiliated Exchanges.

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 Act¹⁰ and subparagraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹¹

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 necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the

¹⁰ 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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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-ISE-2018-85 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-ISE-2018-85. 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-ISE-2018-85 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. 12

Eduardo A. Aleman Assistant Secretary

¹² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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EXHIBIT 5

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Rules of the Exchange

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18. Reserved[Arbitration

Rule 1800. Arbitration

- (a) General. The Rule 12000 Series and Rule 13000 Series of the FINRA Manual (Code of Arbitration Procedures for Customer Disputes and Code of Arbitration Procedures for Industry Disputes) (the "FINRA Code of Arbitration"), as the same may be in effect from time to time, shall govern Exchange arbitrations except as may be specified in this Rule 1800. Definitions in the FINRA Code of Arbitration shall have the same meaning as that prescribed therein, and procedures contained in the FINRA Code of Arbitration shall have the same application as toward Exchange arbitrations.
- (b) *Jurisdiction*. Any dispute, claim, or controversy arising out of or in connection with the business of any Member of the Exchange, or arising out of the employment or termination of employment of associated person(s) with any Member may be arbitrated under this Rule 1800 except that (1) a dispute, claim, or controversy alleging employment discrimination (including a sexual harassment claim) in violation of a statue may only be arbitrated if the parties have agreed to arbitrate it after the dispute arose; and (2) any type of dispute, claim, or controversy that is not permitted to be arbitrated under the FINRA Code of Arbitration, such as class action claims, shall not be eligible for arbitration under this Rule 1800.
- (c) *Predispute Arbitration Agreements*. The requirements of FINRA Rule 2268 shall apply to predispute arbitration agreements between Members and their customers.
- (d) Referrals. If any matter comes to the attention of an arbitrator during and in connection with the arbitrator's participation in a proceeding, either from the record of the proceeding or from material or communications related to the proceeding, that the arbitrator has reason to believe may constitute a violation of the Exchange's Rules or the federal securities laws, the arbitrator may initiate a referral of the matter to the Exchange for disciplinary investigation; provided, however, that any such referral should only be initiated by an arbitrator after the matter before him has been settled or otherwise disposed of, or after an award finally disposing of the matter has been rendered pursuant to Rule 12904 or Rule 13904 (as applicable) of the FINRA Code of Arbitration.
- (e) Payment of Awards. Any Member, or person associated with a Member, who fails to honor an award of arbitrators appointed in accordance with the Rules in this Chapter 18 shall be subject to disciplinary proceedings in accordance with Rule 9554.

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(f) Other Exchange Actions. The submission of any matter to arbitration under this Chapter shall in no way limit or preclude any right, action or determination by the Exchange which it would otherwise be authorized to adopt, administer or enforce.]

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Nasdaq ISE, LLC Rules

General Rules

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General 6. Arbitration

Section 1. Arbitration

The rules contained in The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC General 6, as such rules may be in effect from time to time (the "General 6 Rules"), are hereby incorporated by reference into this Nasdaq ISE, LLC General 6, and are thus Nasdaq ISE Rules and thereby applicable to Nasdaq ISE Members. Nasdaq ISE Members shall comply with the General 6 Rules as though such rules were fully set forth herein. All defined terms, including any variations thereof, contained in the General 6 Rules shall be read to refer to the Nasdaq ISE related meaning of such term.

{hyperlink to General 6 Rules}.

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