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

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

(a) Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" or "Exchange") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") a proposal to eliminate certain fees charged to securities listed on Nasdaq under the Rule 5700 Series.

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 set forth below. Proposed new language is underlined; deleted text is in brackets.

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#### 5930. Linked Securities, SEEDS, and Other Securities

- (a) (b) No change.
- [(c) Record-Keeping Fee

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#### **5940. Exchange Traded Products**

The fees in this Rule 5940 shall apply to securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series where no other fee schedule is specifically applicable. These securities include, but are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

not limited to, Portfolio Depository Receipts, Index Fund Shares, Managed Fund Shares, and NextShares.

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- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- 2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

This proposed rule change was approved by senior management of the Exchange under authority delegated by its Board of Directors (the "Board") on July 1, 2015. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

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

Arnold Golub Deputy General Counsel Nasdaq, Inc. (301) 978-8075

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

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to eliminate the fees for recordkeeping changes and substitution listing events charged to Linked Securities, SEEDS, Other Securities, and Exchange Traded Products listed on Nasdaq. These fees were adopted in November 2015,<sup>3</sup> and, upon further reflection, Nasdaq has determined to remove them. The proposed rule change would not affect the notice companies must give Nasdaq about record-keeping changes or substitution listing events.<sup>4</sup>

#### b. Statutory Basis

Nasdaq believes that this proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility or system which the Exchange operates or controls. This proposal is, in addition, not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

The Commission and the courts have repeatedly expressed their preference for competition over regulatory intervention in determining prices, products, and services in

Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76550 (December 3, 2015), 80 FR 76605 (December 9, 2015) (SR-NASDAQ-2015-146).

Rule 5250(e)(3) defines a "Record Keeping Change" as any change to a company's name, the par value or title of its security, its symbol, or a similar change and requires a listed company to provide notification to Nasdaq no later than 10 days after the change. Rule 5005(a)(40) defines a "Substitution Listing Event" as certain changes in the equity or legal structure of a company, including the replacement of, or any significant modification to, the index, portfolio or Reference Asset underlying a security listed under the Rule 5700 Series (including, but not limited to, a significant modification to the index methodology, a change in the index provider, or a change in control of the index provider). Rule 5250(e)(4) requires a listed company to provide notification to Nasdaq about a Substitution Listing Event no later than 15 calendar days prior to the implementation of the event.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

the securities markets. In Regulation NMS, while adopting a series of steps to improve the current market model, the Commission highlighted the importance of market forces in determining prices and SRO revenues and, also, recognized that current regulation of the market system "has been remarkably successful in promoting market competition in its broader forms that are most important to investors and listed companies." Similarly, the Justice Department has noted the intense competitive environment for exchange listings.<sup>8</sup>

Nasdaq believes that the proposed change to eliminate the recently adopted fees for record-keeping changes and substitution listing events charged to securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series is reasonable because it is a competitive response to the fees of other exchanges and issuers' reaction to Nasdaq's fee change.<sup>9</sup>

Nasdaq also believes that the proposed change is an equitable allocation and is not unfairly discriminatory because the Exchange will apply the same fee to all similarly situated issuers. While issuers of securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series will not be subject to fees for record-keeping changes and substitution listing events, and other companies will be subject to such fees, this difference is not unfairly discriminatory.

Securities Exchange Act Release No. 51808 (June 9, 2005), 70 FR 37496, 37499 (June 29, 2005).

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The proposed change merely reinstates a longstanding difference by removing fees that were only recently adopted. This longstanding difference is not unfairly discriminatory because the fees for securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series are generally lower than the listing fees for other types of issuers, reflecting the passive nature of these issuers and the extreme focus on their expenses as a means for various products to compete. <sup>10</sup>

Further, other companies that could pay fees for record-keeping changes and substitution listing events had the option to avoid the fee by electing to be on Nasdaq's all-inclusive annual fee, which eliminates the fees for these events. Securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series do not, at this time, have the option to elect an all-inclusive fee alternative. Nasdaq believes that the lower existing fees, lack of an all-inclusive fee alternative, and competitive considerations are reasonable, fair, and equitable reasons to charge issuers of securities listed under the Rule 5700 Series different fees than other Nasdaq-listed companies, including not charging them for record-keeping changes and substitution listing events.

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For example, entry fees for securities listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the Rule 5700 Series range from \$5,000 to \$45,000 pursuant to Rules 5930 and 5940, whereas entry fees for other companies listed on the Nasdaq Global Market range from \$125,000 to \$225,000 pursuant to Rule 5910(a).

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

The proposed rule change will not impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

The market for listing services is extremely competitive and listed companies may easily list on competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular exchange to be excessive. In such an environment, the Exchange must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges.

This rule proposal does not burden competition with other listing venues, which are similarly free to set their fees, but rather reflects the competition between listing venues and will further enhance such competition. For these reasons, Nasdaq does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition for listings.

- 5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule 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>

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,<sup>11</sup> the Exchange has designated this proposal as establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the self-regulatory organization on any person, whether or not the person is a member of the self-regulatory organization, which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing.

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

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

Not applicable.

#### 11. Exhibits

1. Notice of Proposed Rule Change for publication in the Federal Register.

**EXHIBIT 1** 

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

(Release No. ; File N

; File No. SR-NASDAQ-2016-077)

June \_\_\_, 2016

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Eliminate Certain Fees Charged to Securities Listed on Nasdaq Under the Rule 5700 Series

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup>, and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on June 1, 2016, The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" 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 eliminate certain fees charged to securities listed on Nasdaq under the Rule 5700 Series.

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# 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.

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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>

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act. 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: (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.

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

#### 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 (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2016-077 on the subject line.

#### 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-NASDAQ-2016-077. 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.

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For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{12}$ 

Robert W. Errett Deputy Secretary

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