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**Form 19b-4 Information \***

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The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.

**Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change \***

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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)

**Exhibit 1A- Notice of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies \***

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**Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications**

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Exhibit Sent As Paper Document

Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G.

**Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire**

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Exhibit Sent As Paper Document

Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is referred to by the proposed rule change.

**Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies**

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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.

**Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text**

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The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change.

**Partial Amendment**

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If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq” or “Exchange”), 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> is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) a proposal to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705 and 5710 to adopt a disclosure requirement for certain securities that seek to provide a return based on a specified multiple or inverse multiple of an underlying index or reference asset. Nasdaq is also proposing to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705 and 5710 to include certain defined terms.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The proposed rule change was approved by the Board of Directors of the Exchange on September 26, 2018. No other action is necessary for the filing of the rule change.

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

Ben Haskell  
Director, ETP Compliance  
Nasdaq, Inc.  
301 978 8092

Jonathan Cayne

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

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

Principal Associate General Counsel  
Nasdaq, Inc.  
301 978 8493

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

a. Purpose

Nasdaq rules allow the listing of securities that seek to exceed by a multiple the performance (leveraged) or exceed by a multiple the inverse of the performance (inverse) of an underlying index or reference asset. Some of these products are designed to track the daily performance of an underlying instrument and holding these products for longer than a day can result in investment returns that are significantly different than the target return. Nasdaq believes that some investors may not fully understand this risk and therefore proposes to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705(b) (Index Fund Shares) and 5710 (Securities Linked to the Performance of Indexes and Commodities (Including Currencies) to adopt an additional disclosure requirement.

Specifically, the Exchange is proposing to amend Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B) and Nasdaq 5710(d) to provide that issuers of leveraged or inverse products that seek returns on a daily basis ("Multiple/Inverse Daily Products") must provide additional website disclosure that highlights the daily return feature of these products including the risks associated with holding these products for longer than one day. The Exchange is also making clarifying changes to existing rule language.

Currently, Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B)(iv), which applies to issuers of Index Fund Shares, requires that issuers make daily public website disclosure of the holdings of

leveraged and inverse products.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange proposes to amend this rule to require that issuers of Multiple/Inverse Daily Products include on the product website a statement that the product seeks returns for a single day and due to the compounding of returns, holding periods of longer than one day can result in investment returns that are significantly different than the product's target returns. The disclosure would also direct investors to consult the prospectus for further information on the calculation of the returns and other risks associated with investing in this type of product. While issuer websites already typically contain language similar to the disclosure proposed herein, Nasdaq believes that providing example language enhances the transparency of the proposed listing standard.

Additionally, the Exchange proposes to amend Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B) to define certain terms and clarify the rules. Nasdaq also proposes to amend the preamble of Nasdaq Rule 5710 to include a definition for "Closing Indicative Value".

In addition, Nasdaq proposes to modify Nasdaq Rule 5710(d), which relates to Linked Securities, to include the same disclosure requirement for Multiple/Inverse Daily Products that are Linked Securities. Further, the Exchange proposes to amend Nasdaq Rule 5710(d) to clarify that the limitations on leverage and inverse multiples are based on the Closing Indicative Value (definition as proposed herein) and measured on a daily basis, up to, and including the date of maturity or redemption, as applicable. Nasdaq

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<sup>3</sup> Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B)(iv) requires: "Daily public website disclosure of portfolio holdings that will form the basis for the calculation of the net asset value by the issuer of such series, including, as applicable, the following instruments: a. The identity and number of shares held of each specific equity security; b. The identity and amount held for each specific fixed income security; c. The specific types of Financial Instruments and characteristics of such Financial Instruments; and d. Cash equivalents and the amount of cash held in the portfolio."

believes that this more closely aligns the application of the listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements, as well as the daily values that determine the daily performance of such products.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>4</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in particular, because it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanisms of, a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that the proposed amendments requiring additional disclosure for Multiple/Inverse Daily Products would enhance investor protection and provide investors with valuable information regarding the investment risks associated with these products. Further, the additional proposed amendments, including amending Nasdaq Rule 5710(d) to include a definition of Closing Indicative Value, will provide for additional transparency around listing standards and more closely aligns the application of such listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements.

As such, the Exchange believes the proposed amendment is consistent with the investor protection requirement of Section 6(b)(5).

4. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any

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<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

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

burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended. The proposed amendments are not intended to address competitive issues, but rather to provide additional website disclosure that highlights the daily return feature of Multiple/Inverse Daily Products, including the risks associated with holding these products for longer than one day. The Exchange believes that this change will provide additional investor protection through enhanced transparency around the investment risk associated with Multiple/Inverse Daily Products. Nasdaq also believes that adding a definition for Closing Indicative Value to Nasdaq Rule 5710 will provide for additional clarity around listing standards and more closely align the application of such listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

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

Commission action.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

9. Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act

Not applicable.

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 Federal Register.
5. Text of the proposed rule change.

**EXHIBIT 1**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. \_\_\_\_\_ ; File No. SR-NASDAQ-2018-079)

November \_\_, 2018

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Nasdaq Rules 5705 and 5710 to Adopt a Disclosure Requirement for Certain Securities

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 November 29, 2018, 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. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705 and 5710 to adopt a disclosure requirement for certain securities that seek to provide a return based on a specified multiple or inverse multiple of an underlying index or reference asset. Nasdaq is also proposing to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705 and 5710 to include certain defined terms.

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

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

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at <http://nasdaq.cchwallstreet.com>, 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 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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

Nasdaq rules allow the listing of securities that seek to exceed by a multiple the performance (leveraged) or exceed by a multiple the inverse of the performance (inverse) of an underlying index or reference asset. Some of these products are designed to track the daily performance of an underlying instrument and holding these products for longer than a day can result in investment returns that are significantly different than the target return. Nasdaq believes that some investors may not fully understand this risk and therefore proposes to amend Nasdaq Rules 5705(b) (Index Fund Shares) and 5710 (Securities Linked to the Performance of Indexes and Commodities (Including Currencies)) to adopt an additional disclosure requirement.

Specifically, the Exchange is proposing to amend Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B) and Nasdaq 5710(d) to provide that issuers of leveraged or inverse products that seek returns on a daily basis ("Multiple/Inverse Daily Products") must provide additional website

disclosure that highlights the daily return feature of these products including the risks associated with holding these products for longer than one day. The Exchange is also making clarifying changes to existing rule language.

Currently, Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B)(iv), which applies to issuers of Index Fund Shares, requires that issuers make daily public website disclosure of the holdings of leveraged and inverse products.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange proposes to amend this rule to require that issuers of Multiple/Inverse Daily Products include on the product website a statement that the product seeks returns for a single day and due to the compounding of returns, holding periods of longer than one day can result in investment returns that are significantly different than the product's target returns. The disclosure would also direct investors to consult the prospectus for further information on the calculation of the returns and other risks associated with investing in this type of product. While issuer websites already typically contain language similar to the disclosure proposed herein, Nasdaq believes that providing example language enhances the transparency of the proposed listing standard.

Additionally, the Exchange proposes to amend Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B) to define certain terms and clarify the rules. Nasdaq also proposes to amend the preamble of Nasdaq Rule 5710 to include a definition for "Closing Indicative Value".

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<sup>3</sup> Nasdaq Rule 5705(b)(1)(B)(iv) requires: "Daily public website disclosure of portfolio holdings that will form the basis for the calculation of the net asset value by the issuer of such series, including, as applicable, the following instruments: a. The identity and number of shares held of each specific equity security; b. The identity and amount held for each specific fixed income security; c. The specific types of Financial Instruments and characteristics of such Financial Instruments; and d. Cash equivalents and the amount of cash held in the portfolio."

In addition, Nasdaq proposes to modify Nasdaq Rule 5710(d), which relates to Linked Securities, to include the same disclosure requirement for Multiple/Inverse Daily Products that are Linked Securities. Further, the Exchange proposes to amend Nasdaq Rule 5710(d) to clarify that the limitations on leverage and inverse multiples are based on the Closing Indicative Value (definition as proposed herein) and measured on a daily basis, up to, and including the date of maturity or redemption, as applicable. Nasdaq believes that this more closely aligns the application of the listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements, as well as the daily values that determine the daily performance of such products.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>4</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in particular, because it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanisms of, a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that the proposed amendments requiring additional disclosure for Multiple/Inverse Daily Products would enhance investor protection and provide investors with valuable information regarding the investment risks associated with these products. Further, the additional proposed amendments, including amending Nasdaq Rule 5710(d) to include a definition of Closing Indicative Value, will provide for

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<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

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

additional transparency around listing standards and more closely aligns the application of such listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements.

As such, the Exchange believes the proposed amendment is consistent with the investor protection requirement of Section 6(b)(5).

B. 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 Act, as amended. The proposed amendments are not intended to address competitive issues, but rather to provide additional website disclosure that highlights the daily return feature of Multiple/Inverse Daily Products, including the risks associated with holding these products for longer than one day. The Exchange believes that this change will provide additional investor protection through enhanced transparency around the investment risk associated with Multiple/Inverse Daily Products. Nasdaq also believes that adding a definition for Closing Indicative Value to Nasdaq Rule 5710 will provide for additional clarity around listing standards and more closely align the application of such listing standards to the proposed disclosure requirements.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the Exchange consents, the Commission shall: (a) by order approve or

disapprove such proposed rule change, or (b) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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 [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2018-079 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-NASDAQ-2018-079. 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-NASDAQ-2018-079 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>6</sup>

Eduardo A. Aleman  
Assistant Secretary

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<sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**EXHIBIT 5**

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**The Nasdaq Stock Market Rules**

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**5705. Exchange Traded Funds: Portfolio Depository Receipts and Index Fund Shares**

(a) No Change.

(b) Index Fund Shares

(1) Definitions. The following terms shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meanings herein specified:

(A) No Change.

(B)

(i) The term “Index Fund Share” includes a security issued by an open-end management investment company that seeks to provide investment results that either exceed the performance of a specified domestic equity, international or global equity, or fixed income index or a combination thereof by a specified multiple (“Multiple Share”) or that correspond to the inverse (opposite) of the performance of a specified domestic equity, international or global equity, or fixed income index or a combination thereof by a specified multiple (“Inverse Share”). Such a security is issued in a specified aggregate number in return for a deposit of a specified number of shares of stock, a specified portfolio of fixed income securities or a combination of the above and/or cash as defined in subparagraph (1)(B)(ii) of this rule with a value equal to the next determined net asset value. When aggregated in the same specified minimum number, Index Fund Shares may be redeemed at a holder's request by such open-end investment company which will pay to the redeeming holder the stock, fixed income securities or a combination thereof and/or cash with a value equal to the next determined net asset value.

(ii) – (iii) No Change.

(iv) For the initial and continued listing of a series of [Index Fund]Multiple or Inverse Shares[ referenced in the provisions of this subparagraph (1)(B) of this rule], the following requirements must be adhered to:

Daily public website disclosure of portfolio holdings that will form the basis for the calculation of the net asset value by the issuer of such series of Multiple or Inverse Shares, including, as applicable, the following instruments:

- a. The identity and number of shares held of each specific equity security;
- b. The identity and amount held for each specific fixed income security;
- c. The specific types of Financial Instruments and characteristics of such Financial Instruments; and
- d. Cash equivalents and the amount of cash held in the portfolio.

In addition, if the investment objective of the Multiple or Inverse Share is to measure returns on a daily basis, the website must include a statement in substantially the following form: "The <the series of Multiple or Inverse Shares> seeks returns that are <leverage or inverse factor or percentage> the returns of the underlying index for a single day. Due to the compounding of daily returns, holding periods of greater than one day can result in returns that are significantly different than the target return. Investors should consult the prospectus for further details on the calculation of the returns and the risks associated with investing in this product."

If the Exchange becomes aware that the net asset value related to [an Index Fund]Multiple or Inverse Shares [included in the provisions of this subparagraph (1)(B)(ii) of this rule,] is not being disseminated to all market participants at the same time or the daily public website disclosure of portfolio holdings does not occur, the Exchange shall halt trading in such series of Index Fund Shares, as appropriate. The Exchange may resume trading in such Index Fund Shares only when the net asset value is disseminated to all market participants at the same time or the daily public website disclosure of portfolio holdings occurs, as appropriate.

(C) – (E) No Change.

(2) – (11) No Change.

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### **5710. Securities Linked to the Performance of Indexes and Commodities (Including Currencies)**

Nasdaq will consider for listing and trading equity index-linked securities ("Equity Index-Linked Securities") and commodity-linked securities ("Commodity-Linked Securities"), fixed income index-linked securities ("Fixed Income Index-Linked Securities"), futures-linked securities ("Futures-Linked Securities") and multifactor index-linked securities ("Multifactor Index-Linked Securities" and, together with Equity Index-Linked Securities, Commodity-Linked Securities, Fixed Income Index-Linked Securities and Futures-Linked Securities, "Linked Securities") that in each case meet the applicable criteria of this Rule.

Equity Index-Linked Securities are securities that provide for the payment at maturity of a cash amount based on the performance of an underlying equity index or indexes (an "Equity Reference Asset").

The payment at maturity with respect to Commodity-Linked Securities is based on one or more physical Commodities or Commodity futures, options or other Commodity derivatives, Commodity-Related Securities, or a basket or index of any of the foregoing (any such basis for payment is referred to below as the "Commodity Reference Asset"). The terms "Commodity" and "Commodity-Related Security" are defined in Rule 4630. The payment at maturity with respect to Fixed Income Index-Linked Securities is based on the performance of one or more indexes or portfolios of notes, bonds, debentures or evidence of indebtedness that include, but are not limited to, U.S. Department of Treasury securities ("Treasury Securities"), government-sponsored entity securities ("GSE Securities"), municipal securities, trust preferred securities, supranational debt and debt of a foreign country or a subdivision thereof or a basket or index of any of the foregoing (a "Fixed Income Reference Asset").

The payment at maturity with respect to Futures-Linked Securities is based on the performance of an index of (a) futures on Treasury Securities, GSE Securities, supranational debt and debt of a foreign country or a subdivision thereof, or options or other derivatives on any of the foregoing; or (b) interest rate futures or options or derivatives on the foregoing in this subparagraph (b); or (c) CBOE Volatility Index (VIX) Futures (a "Futures Reference Asset").

The payment at maturity with respect to Multifactor Index-Linked Securities is based on the performance of any combination of two or more Equity Reference Assets, Commodity Reference Assets, Fixed Income Reference Assets or Futures Reference Assets (a "Multifactor Reference Asset", and together with Equity Reference Asset, Commodity Reference Asset, Fixed Income Reference Asset and Futures Reference Asset, "Reference Assets"). A Multifactor Reference Asset may include as a component a notional investment in cash or a cash equivalent based on a widely accepted overnight loan interest rate, LIBOR, Prime Rate, or an implied interest rate based on observed market spot and foreign currency forward rates.

For the purposes of Rule 5710, "Closing Indicative Value" means the daily value calculated and disseminated by the issuer (or its designee) which is used to determine the daily performance, final payment at redemption, or final payment at maturity of a Linked Security.

Linked Securities may or may not provide for the repayment of the original principal investment amount. Nasdaq will consider Linked Securities for listing and trading pursuant to Rule 19b-4(e) under the Act, provided:

(a) –(c) No Change.

(d) On an initial and continued listing basis, the[ payment at maturity] Closing Indicative Value may or may not [provide for ]reflect a multiple of the direct or inverse performance of an underlying index, indexes or Reference Asset; however, in no event will a daily loss based on such Closing Indicative Value (negative payment) at maturity be accelerated by a multiple that] exceed[s] three times the performance of an underlying index, indexes or Reference Asset.

In addition, the issuer of the Linked Security must include a statement on a public website in substantially the following form: “The <the series of Linked Securities> seeks returns that are <leverage or inverse factor or percentage> the returns of the <underlying index or Reference Asset> for a single day. Due to the compounding of daily returns, holding periods of greater than one day can result in returns that are significantly different than the target return. Investors should consult the prospectus for further details on the calculation of the returns and the risks associated with investing in this product.”

(e) – (l) No Change.

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