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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 Advanced Notice by Clearing Agencies *

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

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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.

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Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire

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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

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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.

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1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Nasdaq Phlx LLC ("Phlx" 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 discontinue the ORF model scheduled to be implemented in June 2025.³

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"). 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.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 101892 (December 12, 2024), 89 FR 103003 (December 18, 2024) (SR-Phlx-2024-66) (Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Lower the Options Regulatory Fee (ORF) and Adopt a New Approach to ORF in 2025). See also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 102368 (February 6, 2025), 90 FR 9451 (February 12, 2025) (SR-Phlx-2025-06) (Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Delay the Implementation of the New Options Regulatory Fee (ORF) and ORF Methodology Proposed in SR-Phlx-2024-66) (collectively "June 2025 ORF").

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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>

Phlx proposes to discontinue the ORF model scheduled to be implemented in June 2025.⁴

Phlx previously filed a proposed amendment to its ORF, effective as of January 1, 2025,⁵ to amend its methodology of collection to: (1) specify that it is including options transactions in Phlx proprietary products; and (2) assess ORF in all clearing ranges except market makers who clear as "M" at The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). Additionally, Phlx proposed to assess a different rate for trades executed on Phlx ("Local ORF Rate") and trades executed on non-Phlx exchanges ("Away ORF Rate").⁶ The Exchange also filed to delay the implementation of SR-Phlx-2024-66, with respect to the new ORF and methodology therein which was effective on January 1, 2025, so that it would be implemented on June 1, 2025.⁷

At this time, the Exchange proposes to discontinue its June 2025 ORF. The Exchange received feedback from members and member organizations⁸ and SIFMA⁹ related to the implementation of its June 2025 ORF. In particular, two fields necessary

See June 2025 ORF.

⁵ <u>See</u> June 2025 ORF.

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See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 102368 (February 6, 2025), 90 FR 9451 (February 12, 2025) (SR-Phlx-2025-06) (Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change To Delay the Implementation of the New Options Regulatory Fee (ORF) and ORF Methodology Proposed in SR-Phlx-2024-66).

The Exchange has discussed the implementation of its June 2025 ORF with various Clearing Members.

See SIFMA comment letter at <a href="https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nasdaq-2024-078/srnasdaq-2024-078

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for information sharing of executing exchange information among members and member organizations and Clearing Members will not be available after an upcoming technology migration at OCC. ¹⁰ In light of this information, the Exchange has been re-evaluating its ORF model and plans to revamp the current process of assessing and collecting ORF, which would be subject to, and described further in, a future rule filing. Particularly, the Exchange is exploring proposing a modified ORF model in which ORF would only be assessed to on-exchange transactions and would continue to be assessed only to customers. At this this time, the Exchange expects to continue assessing ORF as it does today and will continue to ensure that ORF Regulatory Revenue, in combination with its other regulatory fees and fines, does not exceed Options Regulatory Cost.

To create real ORF reform, moving to a new ORF model that only assesses a fee to transactions that occur on the Exchange would remove any duplicative ORF billing. The Exchange believes that each exchange should likewise adopt a similar model to ensure consistent industry billing of ORF to the benefit of market participants. A consistent methodology of assessing and collecting ORF will also remove confusion and complexity in the billing of ORF. The Exchange has been engaged in remodeling its current ORF over the last year and has held many conversations with market participants to establish a framework that is practical and fair. The Exchange remains committed to ORF reform and will continue to evaluate its ORF model and seek feedback from market participants.

The Exchange also proposes to remove a sentence that states, "As of November 1, 2024, the ORF is \$0.0022 per contract side." This sentence is outdated.

See https://www.theocc.com/company-information/occ-transformation.

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b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to the Exchange and, in particular, the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act. 11

Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(4) of the Act 12, which provides that Exchange rules may provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its members, and other persons using its facilities. Additionally, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Section 6(b)(5)13 requirement that the rules of an exchange not be designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

The Exchange's proposal to discontinue its June 2025 ORF is reasonable because it has come to light that certain information necessary for billing of ORF would not be available later in 2025. In light of this information, the Exchange has been re-evaluating its ORF model and plans to revamp the current process of assessing and collecting ORF, which would be subject to, and described further in, a future rule filing. Particularly, the Exchange anticipates moving to a modified ORF model in which ORF would only be assessed to on-exchange transactions and would continue to be assessed only to customers. At this this time, the Exchange expects to continue assessing ORF as it does today and will continue to ensure that ORF Regulatory Revenue, in combination with its other regulatory fees and fines, does not exceed Options Regulatory Cost.

The Exchange's proposal to discontinue its June 2025 ORF is equitable and not

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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unfairly discriminatory as the proposal would not apply to any member or member organization.

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.

This proposal does not create an unnecessary or inappropriate intra-market burden on competition because no member or member organization would be subject to the June 2025 ORF as a result of this proposal.

Additionally, this proposal does not create an unnecessary or inappropriate intermarket burden on competition because it is a regulatory fee that supports regulation in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The Exchange is obligated to ensure that the amount of ORF Regulatory Revenue collected from the ORF, in combination with its other regulatory fees and fines, does not exceed Options Regulatory Cost.

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

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act, ¹⁴ the Exchange has designated this proposal as establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the self-

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

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regulatory organization on any person, whether or not the person is a member of the selfregulatory organization, which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing.

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.

- 8. 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.
- 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-Phlx-2025-21)

April , 2025

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq PHLX LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Phlx's Options Regulatory Fee

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 April 28, 2025, Nasdaq PHLX LLC ("Phlx" 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 discontinue the ORF model scheduled to be implemented in June 2025.³

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Website at https://listingcenter.nasdaq.com/rulebook/phlx/rulefilings, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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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.

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

1. <u>Purpose</u>

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¹⁰ See https://www.theocc.com/company-information/occ-transformation.

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¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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The Exchange's proposal to discontinue its June 2025 ORF is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory as the proposal would not apply to any member or member organization.

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.

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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.

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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. 14

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

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments:

- Use the Commission's internet comment form
 (https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include file number SR-Phlx-2025-21 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.

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

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All submissions should refer to file number SR-Phlx-2025-21. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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 website (https://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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR-Phlx-2025-21 and should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 21 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. ¹⁵

Sherry R. Haywood,

Assistant Secretary.

¹⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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EXHIBIT 5

New text is underlined: deleted text is in brackets.

Nasdaq Phlx LLC Rules

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Options Rules

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Section 6. Other Transaction Fees

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D. Options Regulatory Fee

[As of November 1, 2024, the ORF is \$0.0022 per contract side.]

Effective March 1, 2025, the ORF will be \$0.0034 per contract side.

The Options Regulatory Fee ("ORF") is assessed by Phlx to each Phlx member organization for options transactions cleared by The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") in the Customer range where: (1) the execution occurs on Phlx or (2) the execution occurs on another exchange and is cleared by a Phlx member organization. The ORF is collected by OCC on behalf of Phlx from (1) Phlx clearing members for all Customer transactions they clear or (2) non-member organizations for all Customer transactions they clear that were executed on Phlx. Phlx uses reports from OCC when assessing and collecting ORF. The Exchange will notify members and member organizations via an Options Trader Alert of any change in the amount of the fee at least 30 calendar days prior to the effective date of the change.

[Effective June 1, 2025

The Options Regulatory Fee ("ORF") is assessed by Phlx to each Phlx member organization for multi-listed options transactions and options transactions in Phlx proprietary products cleared by The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") in all clearing ranges except market makers who clear as "M" at OCC where: (1) the execution occurs on Phlx or (2) the execution occurs on another exchange and is cleared by a Phlx member organization. The ORF is collected by OCC on behalf of Phlx from (1) Phlx clearing members for all Customer, Professional, Firm and Broker-Dealer transactions they clear or (2) non-members for all Customer, Professional, Firm and Broker-Dealer transactions they clear that were executed on Phlx. Phlx uses reports from OCC when assessing and collecting ORF. The Exchange will notify members and member organizations via an Options Trader Alert of any change in the amount of the fee at least 30 calendar days prior to the effective date of the change. Phlx will assess a different rate for trades

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executed on Phlx ("Local ORF Rate") and trades executed on non-Phlx exchanges ("Away ORF Rate") as specified below.

Local ORF Rate For Customer "C" Origin Code transactions executed on Phlx (Local)	Local ORF Rate for Firm "F" Origin Code transactions executed on Phlx (Local)
\$0.0190 per contract side	\$0.00022 per contract side

Away ORF Rate for Customer "C" Origin Code multi-list transactions executed on non-Phlx exchanges	Away ORF Rate for Firm "F" Origin Code multi-list transactions executed on non-Phlx exchanges
\$0.00 per contract side	\$0.00022 per contract side

The ORF will sunset on December 1, 2025 at which point the Exchange would revert back to the ORF methodology and rate (\$0.0034 per contract side).]

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