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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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*Extension:*  
Form 18

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

Form 18 (17 CFR 249.218) is a registration form used by a foreign government or political subdivision to register securities for listing on a U.S. exchange. The information collected is intended to ensure that the information required by the Commission to be filed permits verification of compliance with securities law requirements and assures the public availability of the information. Form 18 takes approximately 8 hours per response and is filed by approximately 5 respondents for a total of 40 annual burden hours (8 hours per response × 5 responses).

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden imposed by the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including

through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication by May 9, 2022.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-94351; File No. 4-533]

### Joint Industry Plan; Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 4 to the National Market System Plan for the Selection and Reservation of Securities Symbols

March 2, 2022.

Pursuant to Section 11A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) <sup>1</sup> and Rule 608 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on February 11, 2022, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq”), on behalf of participants to the National Market System Plan for the Selection and Reservation of Securities Symbols (“Symbology Plan” or “Plan”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) a proposal to amend the Symbology Plan.<sup>3</sup> The proposal represents the fourth substantive amendment to the Plan (“Amendment”) and reflects changes unanimously approved by the Plan participants (“Participants”).<sup>4</sup> The

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78k-1(a)(3).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 242.608.

<sup>3</sup> The Plan was created to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the national market system and to provide for fair competition between the self-regulatory organizations that list equity securities by establishing a uniform system for the selection and reservation of securities symbols. The Plan, among other things, sets forth the process for securing perpetual and limited-time reservations, the use of a waiting list, the right to reuse a symbol and the ability to request the release of a symbol.

<sup>4</sup> The Plan Participants are BOX Exchange LLC, Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc., Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc., Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc., Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc., Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc., Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Investors Exchange LLC,

Amendment proposes to, among other things, eliminate certain Plan processor costs, release perpetual reservations, increase the number of limited-time symbol reservations, modify the waitlist provisions, and clarify the portability of symbol reservations.

The proposed Amendment has been filed by the Participants pursuant to Rule 608(b)(2) under Regulation NMS.<sup>5</sup> The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed Amendment from interested persons. Sections I and II contain statements that were prepared and submitted to the Commission by the Participants about the purpose of the Amendment, along with information pursuant to Rule 608(a) under the Act.

### I. Rule 608(a)

#### A. Purpose of the Amendment

Since the Symbology Plan was originally approved,<sup>6</sup> it has been modified several times to add additional participants.<sup>7</sup> The plan participants now

Long-Term Stock Exchange, Inc., MEMX LLC, Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC, MIAX Pearl, LLC, Nasdaq BX, Inc., Nasdaq ISE, LLC, Nasdaq PHLX LLC, Nasdaq, New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE American LLC, NYSE Arca, Inc., NYSE Chicago, Inc., and NYSE National, Inc.

<sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 242.608(b)(2).

<sup>6</sup> On November 6, 2008, the Commission approved the Symbology Plan that was originally proposed by the Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc. (“CHX”), The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. (n/k/a The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC) (“Nasdaq”), National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (“NASD”) (n/k/a Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”), National Stock Exchange, Inc. (“NSX”) (n/k/a NYSE National, Inc. (“NYSE National”), and Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. (n/k/a Nasdaq PHLX LLC (“Phlx”), subject to certain changes. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58904, 73 FR 67218 (November 13, 2008) (File No. 4-533).

<sup>7</sup> On November 18, 2008, ISE filed with the Commission an amendment to the Plan to add ISE as a member to the Plan. See Securities and Exchange Act Release No. 59024 (November 26, 2008), 73 FR 74538 (December 8, 2008) (File No. 4-533). On December 22, 2008, NYSE, NYSE Arca, and NYSE Alternext (n/k/a NYSE American) (“NYSE Group Exchanges”), and Cboe filed with the Commission amendments to the Plan to add the NYSE Group Exchanges and Cboe as members to the Plan. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59162 (December 24, 2008), 74 FR 132 (January 2, 2009) (File No. 4-533). On December 24, 2008, BSE (n/k/a BX) filed with the Commission an amendment to the Plan to add BSE as a member to the Plan. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59187 (December 30, 2008), 74 FR 729 (January 7, 2009) (File No. 4-533). On September 30, 2009, BATS (n/k/a CboeBZX) filed with the Commission an amendment to the Plan to add BATS as a member to the Plan. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 60856 (October 21, 2009), 74 FR 55276 (October 27, 2009) (File No. 4-533). On July 7, 2010, EDGA (n/k/a CboeEDGA) and EDGX (n/k/a CboeEDGX) filed with the Commission an amendment to the Plan to add EDGA and EDGX, each as a party to the Symbology Plan. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62573 (July 26, 2010), 75 FR 45682 (August 3, 2010) (File No. 4-533). On May 7, 2012, BOX filed with the