# **Form PILOT**

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INITIAL OPERATION REPORT, AMENDMENT TO INITIAL OPERATION REPORT AND QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PILOT TRADING SYSTEMS OPERATED BY SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

#### FORM PILOT INSTRUCTIONS

#### A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Form PILOT is the form a self-regulatory organization ("SRO") files to notify the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") of its intention to operate a pilot trading system pursuant to Rule 19b-5, § 240.19b-5, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act").
- 2. WHEN TO FILE A FORM PILOT The SRO must file the initial operation report, Part I of Form PILOT, at least 20 days prior to commencing operation of the pilot trading system. The SRO operating a pilot trading system under Rule 19b-5 must update information reported in Part I of Form PILOT by submitting amendments to the initial operation report at least 20 calendar days prior to implementing a material change to the operation of the pilot trading system as described on Form PILOT or any amendment thereto, other than information reported in Items 3b and 4b on Form PILOT relating to subscribers to, and securities traded on, the pilot trading system. Additionally, the SRO must file Part II of Form PILOT by submitting quarterly reports within 30 calendar days after the end of each calendar quarter in which the pilot trading system has operated after the effective date of Regulation ATS.
- 3. **CONTACT EMPLOYEE** The individual listed on page 1 as the contact employee must be authorized to receive all contact information, communications and mailings and be responsible for disseminating that information within the SRO.

#### 4. FORMAT

- Attach an Execution Page (Page 1) with original manual signatures.
- Please type all information.
- Provide the name of the SRO, pilot trading system and the filing date on each page.
- Use only the current version of Form PILOT or a reproduction.
- 5. WHERE TO FILE AND NUMBER OF COPIES Submit one original and eight copies of Form Pilot to: SEC, Division of Market Regulation, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20549.
- 6. **RECORDKEEPING** A copy of this Form PILOT, as well as any amendments thereto filed with the SEC, must be retained by the SRO operating the pilot trading system at its principal place of business and made available for inspection upon request of the SEC.

#### 7. PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT DISCLOSURE

- Form PILOT requires an SRO intending to operate a pilot trading system pursuant to the temporary exemption under Rule 19b-5 to file certain information about the operation of the pilot trading system, and notices of material changes to the pilot trading system. In addition, Form PILOT requires SROs to report transaction volume on the pilot trading system on a quarterly basis.
- 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. Sections 3(a)(26), 3(a)(27), 3(a)(28), 19(b), 23(a) and 36(a) authorize the Commission to collect information on this Form PILOT from SROs. See 15 U.S.C. §§78c(a)(26), 78c(a)(27), 78c(a)(28), 78s(b), 78w(a) and 78mm(a).
- Any member of the public may direct to the Commission any comments concerning the accuracy of the burden estimate on the facing page of Form PILOT and any suggestions for reducing this burden.
- Form PILOT is designed to enable the Commission to determine whether an SRO has properly availed itself of Rule 19b-5, is operating a pilot trading system in compliance with the Exchange Act, and is carrying out its statutory oversight obligations under the Exchange Act.
- It is estimated that an SRO will spend approximately 24 hours completing the initial operation report on Form PILOT pursuant to Rule 19b-5. It is also estimated that each SRO will spend approximately 3 hours to prepare each notice of a material change and approximately 3 hours to prepare quarterly transaction information.
- It is mandatory that an SRO seeking to operate a pilot trading system under Rule 19b-5 file a Form PILOT with the Commission. It is also mandatory that an SRO operating a pilot trading system file notices of material systems changes and quarterly transaction reports on Form PILOT.
- All reports provided to the Commission on Form PILOT are deemed confidential and will be available only to the
  examination of Commission staff and state securities authorities. Subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information
  Act, 5 U.S.C. 522 ("FOIA") and the Commission's rules thereunder (17 CFR 200.80(b)(4)(iii)), the Commission does
  not generally publish or make available information contained in any reports, summaries, analyses, letters, or memoranda
  arising out of, in anticipation of, or in connection with an examination or inspection of the books and records of any
  person or any other investigation.

#### FORM PILOT INSTRUCTIONS

• This collection of information has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") in accordance with the clearance requirements of 44 U.S.C. §3507. The applicable Privacy Act system of records is SEC-2 and the routine uses of the records are set forth at 40 FR 39255 (August 27, 1975) and 41 FR 5318 (February 5, 1976).

#### **B. EXPLANATION OF TERMS**

PILOT TRADING SYSTEM - Shall mean any trading system, operated by an SRO, that:

- (1) (i) has been in operation for less than two years; (ii) is independent of any other trading system operated by such self-regulatory organization that has been approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 19(b) of the Exchange Act; (iii) with respect to each security traded on such pilot trading system, during at least two of the last four consecutive calendar months, has traded no more than 5% of the average daily trading volume of such security in the United States; and (iv) with respect to all securities traded on such pilot trading system, during at least two of the last four consecutive calendar months, has traded no more than 20% of the average daily trading volume of all trading systems operated by such self-regulatory organization; or
- (2) (i) has been in operation for less than two years; (ii) with respect to each security traded on such pilot trading system, during at least two of the last four consecutive calendar months, has traded no more than 1% of the average daily trading volume of such security in the United States; and (iii) with respect to all securities traded on such pilot trading system, during at least two of the last four consecutive calendar months, has traded no more than 20% of the average daily trading volume of all trading systems operated by such self-regulatory organization; or
- (3) (i) has been in operation for less than two years; and (ii) (A) satisfied the definition of "pilot trading system" under paragraph (1) above no more than 60 days ago, and continues to be independent of any other trading system operated by such self-regulatory organization that has been approved by the Commission pursuant to Section 19(b) of the Exchange Act; or (B) satisfied the definition of "pilot trading system" under paragraph (2) above no more than 60 days ago.

**INVESTMENT GRADE CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES** - Shall mean any security that: (1) evidences a liability of the issuer of such security; (2) has a fixed maturity date that is at least one year following the date of issuance; (3) is rated in one of the four highest ratings categories by at least one Nationally Recognized Statistical Ratings Organization; and (4) is not an exempted security, as defined in §3(a)(12) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).

**NON-INVESTMENT GRADE CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES** - Shall mean any security that: (1) evidences a liability of the issuer of such security; (2) has a fixed maturity date that is at least one year following the date of issuance; (3) is not rated in one of the four highest ratings categories by at least one Nationally Recognized Statistical Ratings Organization; and (4) is not an exempted security, as defined in §3(a)(12) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).

**DEBT SECURITIES** - Shall mean any security other than an equity security, as defined in §240.3a11-1.

**EQUITY SECURITIES** - Shall have the same meaning as in §240.3a11-1.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES - Shall have the same meaning as in Exchange Act Section 3(a)(42).

**LISTED EQUITY SECURITIES** - Shall mean any equity securities that are listed and registered, or admitted to unlisted trading privileges, on a national securities exchange.

**LISTED OPTIONS** - Shall mean any options traded on a registered national securities exchange or automated facility of a registered national securities association.

MORTGAGE RELATED SECURITIES - Shall have the same meaning as in Exchange Act Section 3(a)(41).

MUNICIPAL SECURITIES - Shall have the same meaning as in Exchange Act Section 3(a)(29).

**NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET SECURITIES** - Shall mean any securities designated as Nasdaq National Market Securities by The Nasdaq Stock Market.

**NASDAQ SMALLCAP MARKET SECURITIES** - Shall mean any securities designated as Nasdaq SmallCap Market Securities by The Nasdaq Stock Market.

PENNY STOCK - Shall have the same meaning as in Exchange Act Section 3(a)(51).

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION** WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 PART 1

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## INITIAL OPERATION REPORT, AMENDMENT TO INITIAL OPERATION REPORT, AND QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PILOT TRADING SYSTEMS OPERATED BY A SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATION

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| A.  | Name of the SRO filing Form   | PILOT:  | C  | C. File No<br>PILOT-                                   |  |   |
| B.  | Full Name of pilot trading syst   | em:   |  |  |  |   |
| D.  | If this filing makes a name cha   | ange on behalf of   | •  | • •  | •  | name.   |
| E.  | Pilot trading system's busines  | s address (Do no  | ot use a P.O. Bo   | ox):   |  |   |
| F.  | Business telephone and facsi  | mile number:  |  |  |  |   |
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| Pile | ot tra       | ading system name:   |                  |                 |
| Fili | ng c         | date:  |                  |                 |
| 3.   | Att          | ach as Exhibit A:  |                  |                 |
|      | a.           | A description of classes of members trading on the pilot trading system, and any persons members provide access to trading on the pilot trading system. Also describe any different the services offered by the pilot trading system to different classes of members.            |                  |                 |
|      | b.           | A list of the members, by name, or if this is an initial operation report, a list of the anticipated may trade on the pilot trading system.  | d members who    |                 |
| 4.   | Att          | ach as Exhibit B:  |                  |                 |
|      | a.           | A list of the types of securities the pilot trading system trades (for example, debt, equity, NM), or if this is an initial operation report, the types of securities it expects to trade. No types of securities are not registered under Section 12(a) of the Exchange Act.    |                  |                 |
|      | b.           | A list of the securities the pilot trading system trades, or if this is an initial operation report, the SRO expects to trade on the pilot trading system. Note whether any securities are not respection 12(a) of the Exchange Act.   |                  |                 |
| 5.   | Att          | ach as Exhibit C, the name, address, and telephone number of counsel for the pilot trading   | system.          |                 |
| 6.   | tra          | ach as Exhibit D, the name of any entity, other than the SRO, that will be involved in the opera<br>ding system, including the execution, trading, clearing and settling of transactions on beh<br>ovide a detailed description of the role and responsibilities of each entity. |                  |                 |
| 7.   | Att          | ach as Exhibit E, the following information:   |                  |                 |
|      | a.           | The manner of operation of the pilot trading system;   |                  |                 |
|      | b.           | Procedures governing entry of orders into the pilot trading system;  |                  |                 |
|      | c.           | The SRO's means of granting access to the pilot trading system;  |                  |                 |
|      | d.           | The procedures governing execution, reporting, clearance and settlement of transactions ethe pilot trading system;   | effected through |                 |
|      | e.           | The procedures for ensuring compliance with system guidelines;   |                  |                 |
|      | f.           | A copy of the pilot trading system's manual and any other materials provided to members pilot trading system; and  | s trading on the |                 |
|      | g.           | A copy of the agreement between the SRO and members trading on the pilot trading applicable, any agreement between members and those persons members provide access the pilot trading system.  |                  |                 |
| 8.   |              | ach as Exhibit F, a brief description of the SRO's procedures for reviewing capacity, security a nning with respect to the pilot trading system.   | nd contingency   |                 |

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| Listed Equity Securities   |  |   |
| Nasdaq National Market Securities  |  |   |
| Nasdaq SmallCap Market Securities  |  |   |
| Equity securities issued pursuant to Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933 |  |   |
| Penny Stock, other than any securities included in Items 9A-9D above         |  |   |
| Other equity securities not included in Items 9A-9E above                    |  |   |
| Rights and warrants  |  |   |
| Listed options   |  |   |
| Unlisted options   |  |   |
| Investment-grade corporate debt securities                                   |  |   |
| Non-investment-grade corporate debt securities                               |  |   |
| Government securities  |  |   |
| Municipal securities   |  |   |
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| included in Items 9J - 9N above  |  |   |
| List the types of equity securities reported in Item 9F above:               |  |   |
| List the types of debt securities reported in Item 90 above:                 |  |   |
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