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Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Relocation of Equities Trading After the Acquisition of the Exchange by NYSE Euronext

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 July 28, 2008, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("the Amex" or the "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been substantially 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</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

The Exchange is submitting this rule filing in order to implement the relocation (the "Equities Relocation") of all equities trading conducted on or through the Amex's systems and facilities to the trading systems and facilities operated by NYSE Market, Inc., ("NYSE") in connection with the acquisition of the Amex's parent corporation, The Amex Membership Corporation, by NYSE Euronext. In connection with such acquisition, the Amex will be renamed NYSE Alternext US LLC ("NYSE Alternext").

The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Amex's principal office, the Commission's Public Reference Room, and http://www.amex.com.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Amex 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 Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

In order to implement the Equities Relocation, the Exchange proposes to amend its existing rules as needed and to adopt, subject to such changes as are necessary to apply the rules to the Exchange, NYSE Rules 1-1004 applicable to transactions conducted on NYSE systems and facilities and governing the off-floor conduct of members and member organizations.³

Background and Post-Merger Structure

As described more fully in the rule filing concerning the Mergers, ⁴ upon completion of the Mergers, the Amex will become one of the U.S. Regulated Subsidiaries⁵ of NYSE Euronext

In connection with the series of mergers (the "Mergers"), the Exchange has submitted related rule filings concerning changes to its corporate governance structure. See SR-Amex-2008-62 (defining Mergers). The Exchange intends to submit additional rule filings addressing its rules and procedures for certain legacy disciplinary matters, equity listing requirements and procedures, and ETF delisting rules. The NYSE and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") will also be submitting companion filings concerning membership issues, and the NYSE will be submitting a related rule filing to amend NYSE Rule 18.

⁴ See SR-Amex-2008-62.

The term "U.S. Regulated Subsidiary" is defined under Article VII, Section 7.3(G) of the Bylaws of NYSE Euronext.

and will continue to operate as a national securities exchange registered under Section 6 of the Act. Following the Mergers, the name of the new exchange will be NYSE Alternext US LLC.

Following the Mergers, the Exchange will relocate all equities trading currently conducted on the Exchange legacy trading systems and facilities located at 86 Trinity Place, New York, New York (the "86 Trinity Trading Systems"), to the NYSE trading systems and facilities located at 11 Wall Street, New York, New York (the "NYSE Alternext Trading Systems"). The NYSE Alternext Trading Systems will be operated by the NYSE on behalf of the Exchange. Similarly, the Exchange will relocate all options trading currently conducted on the 86 Trinity Trading Systems to new facilities of the Exchange to be located at 11 Wall Street, which facilities will utilize a trading system based on the options trading system used by NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca") (the "Options Relocation," and, together with the Equities Relocation, the "Relocations"). Prior to completion of the Relocations, all trading on the 86 Trinity Trading Systems will continue to be governed by the existing Amex Rules, as amended pursuant to the Mergers. Upon completion of the Relocations, these legacy Amex Rules will be rescinded by the Exchange.

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^{6 15} U.S.C. 78f.

See SR-Amex-2008-62. For the avoidance of doubt, NYSE Alternext US LLC will be a separate self regulatory organization from NYSE Euronext's European-market subsidiary, NYSE Alternext.

The Exchange will submit a separate rule filing to adopt a new rule set to govern NYSE Alternext options trading following the Options Relocation.

In connection with the Mergers, and after the Equities Relocation, the Exchange will trade all equities securities, as well as certain derivative products, currently listed on the Exchange on the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems.⁹

The Exchange expects to discontinue the listing and trading of, including trading on an unlisted trading privileges ("UTP") basis, exchange traded funds ("ETFs") and certain other structured products, including index and currency warrants, and it is expected that such products will be listed and traded on NYSE Arca. The Exchange will also be discontinuing trading of bonds currently listed on the Exchange, and it is expected that such bonds will be traded on the NYSE Bonds trading system. In the event that an ETF, structured product or bond issuer listed on the Exchange does not wish to move the listing to NYSE Arca or NYSE Bonds, as the case may be, such issuer would have the opportunity to seek a listing on another market. Note, however, that it is possible that movement of these listings may not be completed by the time of the Equities Relocation, in which case such products would continue to be traded at 86 Trinity Trading Systems until the transfer of the listings can be completed.

The Exchange does not intend to cross-list any NYSE-listed securities on the Exchange and does not intend to cross-list any Exchange-listed securities on the NYSE. The Exchange may in the future trade securities listed on other exchanges on a UTP basis, subject to certain technical

Following the Equities Relocation, certain securities currently listed and traded on the Amex will be transferred to NYSE Alternext but will not be eligible to trade on NYSE Alternext pursuant to the sub-penny trading condition set forth in proposed NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 123D(3). Trading in such securities will be routed to NYSE Arca and will be handled in accordance with the rules governing that market.

On the Exchange, some members registered to engage in market making in ETFs on the floor of the Exchange or to supplement the market making of those registered as specialists in those products. When those products are no longer traded on the Exchange, current Amex members who concentrate in market making in such products will be able to apply to become NYSE Arca ETP holders and to move their business activities to the NYSE Arca trading systems and facilities.

adjustments to the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems necessary to support such trading. 11 The Exchange will not trade NYSE-listed securities on a UTP basis and will not trade pursuant to UTP any securities that might in the future be traded on the NYSE pursuant to UTP.

As proposed in the rule filing concerning the Mergers, immediately following the closing of the Mergers, those persons and entities who were authorized to trade on the Amex before the closing of the Mergers, including Amex (i) owners, lessees or nominees of Regular Members or Options Principal Members ("OPMs"), (ii) limited trading permit holders, and (iii) associate members, will be deemed to have satisfied applicable qualification requirements necessary to trade in NYSE Alternext's demutualized marketplace and will be issued trading permits (referred to as "86 Trinity Permits") at no cost. The 86 Trinity Permit will authorize owners, lessees or nominees of Amex Regular Members, OPMs, limited trading permit holders and associate members who were authorized to trade on the Amex immediately before the Mergers, to continue to trade on the 86 Trinity Trading Systems. Holders of the 86 Trinity Permits will be able to apply for an NYSE Alternext equities license or options trading permit upon the Equities and Options Relocations, as applicable. After the Equities Relocation, a holder of an 86 Trinity Permit will only be able to trade products other than those that have migrated to the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. After the Options Relocation, the 86 Trinity Permits will be canceled. 12

The Exchange anticipates that the Equities Relocation will occur as soon as reasonably practicable following the date of the Mergers and that the Options Relocation will occur at or

The NYSE does not currently trade any securities on a UTP basis.

^{12.} See SR-Amex-2008-62. In addition, as described in greater detail herein, upon the Relocations NYSE Alternext will recognize former Amex members as either NYSE Alternext member organizations or members, as applicable.

around February 2009. The transfer of ETFs, bonds and other structured products will be accomplished as soon as practicable after the closing of the Merger.

Proposed Rule Changes

Adoption of NYSE Rules 1-1004 as the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules

The Exchange proposes to adopt NYSE Rules 1-1004 as the "NYSE Alternext Equities Rules." The adoption of the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules is necessary in order to conduct the equities business of the Exchange on the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems, since such rules reflect the market structure and features of the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. Following the Equities Relocation, the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules would govern all equity transactions conducted on the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. Because NYSE Alternext Trading Systems will be operated by the NYSE on behalf of the Exchange, the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules will be substantially identical to the existing NYSE Rules, subject to certain changes necessary to apply such rules to the Exchange.

In addition, the Exchange will require all those who register to become NYSE Alternext equities members to also become both NYSE members and FINRA members. To avoid unnecessary regulatory duplication, the Exchange proposes to adopt in substantially their current form the NYSE's member firm conduct rules (NYSE Rules 300- 460), which govern the off-floor conduct of members and member organizations. Many of these rules were adopted by

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The Exchange has taken NYSE Rules 1-1004 in the form they existed as of July 18, 2008, and adopted them with modifications as described in this filing. Any changes to relevant NYSE Rules that have been implemented by the NYSE subsequent to that date, but before the effective date of the Mergers, will be incorporated by the Exchange as soon after the close of the Mergers as is practicable, but not later than the date of the Equities Relocation.

FINRA in 2007 as "Common Rules" pursuant to the 17d-2 Agreement between NYSE and FINRA.

The proposed NYSE Alternext Equities Rules are set forth in Exhibit 5 and are summarized below. A blackline comparison of the current NYSE Rules and the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules is attached as Exhibit 3A, together with a blackline of certain Amex Rules imported into the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules, attached as Exhibit 3B.

Summary of the Proposed NYSE Alternext Equities Rules

Amex Rule 0 and NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 0

The Exchange proposes the adoption of operative Amex Rule 0 to prescribe how trading will be conducted on the Exchange following the Mergers. For the period of time following the Equities Relocation and prior to the Options Relocation, options trading will continue to occur on the 86 Trinity Trading Systems. ¹⁵

Proposed Amex Rule 0 prescribes that, following the Mergers:

- all transactions conducted on or through the 86 Trinity Trading Systems will continue to be governed by the legacy rules of the Exchange, including Amex Rules 1-1605, Amex Company Guide and AEMI Rules 1-1500 (including Section 910 of Amex Company Guide), as amended (collectively, the "86 Trinity Rules");
- all transactions conducted on or through the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems shall be governed by the "NYSE Alternext Equities Rules."

For ease of reference, the Exchange has retained the numbering of the NYSE Rules in the NYSE Alternext Rule set.

The Exchange will make a separate rule filing to adopt a new rule set to govern options trading following the Options Relocation.

In addition, the Exchange proposes to adopt NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 0 prescribing that all trading conducted on the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems shall be governed by the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules, except to the extent any 86 Trinity Rules are specifically designated as applying.

Proposed Amex Rule 0 and NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 0 also provide that existing NYSE Rules 475-477, to be adopted by the Exchange as Disciplinary Rules 475-477, will apply to all NYSE Alternext members and member organizations and will govern trading on both the 86 Trinity and NYSE Alternext Trading Systems.¹⁶

Following the completion of the Options Relocation, the 86 Trinity Rules, including Amex Rule 0, will no longer be operative and will be rescinded by the Exchange.

Summary of Modifications to NYSE Rules as Adopted

As described above, the Exchange proposes to adopt as the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules NYSE Rules 1-1004, subject to a few substantive modifications. These proposed modifications are summarized in the bullets below and set forth in more detail in the chart that follows:

• incorporation of three legacy Amex Rules into the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules, either to replace an existing NYSE Rule that is expected to be substantially amended in the near future (Amex Rules 135A and 193 substituted as NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 128 and 98, respectively) or, in one instance (Amex Rule 60-AEMI), to supplement the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules where there is no corresponding NYSE Rule (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 60A);

In addition, a rule change proposal to adopt Disciplinary Rule 478T, which will govern the temporary disciplinary procedures applicable to certain legacy disciplinary proceedings, will be filed shortly pursuant to Section 19(b) of the Act.

- modifications to reflect the different nature of the businesses of NYSE and Amex members and member organizations, including net capital requirements and certain fees (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 103.10, 104.20-.24 and 129);
- changes to address post-merger corporate and/or market structural issues, including changing the definitions of "Exchange" and "Floor" (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 1, 6 and 112), adding a provision to physically segregate the trading of NYSE Alternext Equities-listed securities from NYSE-listed securities on the Exchange Floor at 11 Wall (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 103B), and other such changes (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 2A, 18, 20-22, 28, 37, 46, 123E and 422);
- changes to modify and/or remove rules related to ETFs, bonds and other structured products that will not trade on the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 13, 36, 51, 55, 61, 65, 72, 79A, 85, 86, 103B, 104.10, 104B, 105, 119, 123D, 342, 414, 431, 460 and 1002);
- changes to modify and/or remove rules that are obsolete, irrelevant or otherwise inapplicable to the use of the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems, including rules related to (i) the ITS System and the NMS Linkage Plan (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 13, 15A, 16, 17T, 45, 47, 52, 54, 60, 61, 79A, 90, 92-96, 104A, 115, 123, 123C, 123D, 900, 1000, 1002, 11Ac1-1);¹⁷ (ii) program or "basket" trading (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 36, 92, 96, 104.11A, 104.11B, 800 series); (iii)
 Registered Competitive Market Makers, Competitive Traders and Registered Options

The Exchange understands that the NYSE intends to submit a rule filing proposing identical rule changes to the NYSE Rules pursuant to removal of the ITS System and the NMS Linkage Plan which are no longer in operation. <u>See</u> e-mail from Claire P. McGrath, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Amex to Sarah Albertson, Attorney, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated July 29, 2008 (modifying footnote language).

Representatives or Principals (<u>see</u> NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 36, 107A, 110, 111, 123, 132B, 345, 408, 900); (iv) the Medallion Signature program (<u>see</u> NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 200); (v) arbitration (<u>see</u> NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 600 series); (vi) options trading (<u>see</u> NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 431, 700 series); and (vii) other obsolete or inapplicable references (<u>see</u> NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 12, 13, 35, 38, 60, 61, 76, 90, 104, 115A, 122, 123D, 126, 132B, 168, 189, 274, 350, 407, 451, 452, 497, 1000). ¹⁸

In addition to the above-noted changes, the Exchange proposes adopting rules governing member organizations that are closely modeled on the existing NYSE membership rules, including rules defining member and member organizations (NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 2), governing the admission of members and member organizations (NYSE Alternext Equities Rules 300-308), the formation and approval of member organizations (NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 311), changes within member organizations (NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 312), and submission of partnership articles and corporate documents (NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 313) (collectively, the proposed "NYSE Alternext Equities Member Organization Rules"). The Exchange recognizes that the NYSE Alternext Equities Member Organization Rules may impose different or additional requirements than the current Amex rules concerning membership and that, post-Merger, there may be NYSE Alternext members or member organizations holding an 86 Trinity Permit that would not immediately qualify for membership under the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules.¹⁹

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The Exchange understands that, subsequent to the Mergers, the NYSE intends to submit a filing to make conforming changes to remove these obsolete or inapplicable references from the NYSE Rules.

As described in Section II herein, by operation of the related corporate governance "Day 1" filing, all Amex members will become members of NYSE Alternext upon the effective

The Exchange proposes that, upon the effective date of this rule filing (e.g., "Day 2"), all NYSE Alternext member organizations shall continue to be approved as NYSE Alternext member organizations, notwithstanding whether they meet the standards of the NYSE Alternext Equities Member Organization Rules at that time.²⁰ This approval would be conditioned upon the member organization meeting the requirements of the NYSE Alternext Equities Member Organization Rules within a grace period of six months from the date that the member organization receives its NYSE Alternext equities trading license in exchange for a valid 86 Trinity Permit. As described in proposed Rule 300.10T, the Exchange would revoke a member organization's approval to trade if it fails to meet the requirements of the NYSE Alternext Equities Member Organization Rules by the close of the grace period. The Exchange would also reserve the right to commence proceedings to terminate such a member organization's membership, if applicable.

The Exchange further proposes that NYSE Alternext members be provided a grace period of six months within which to meet proposed NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 304A requirements to pass an examination requirement by the Exchange. The Exchange believes that this grace period should begin to run from the date that the individual member transfers to the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems, which may be a later date than the Equities Relocation.

The specific changes to each NYSE Rule as proposed for the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules are listed below.

date of the Mergers. <u>See SR-Amex 2008-62</u>. In accordance with the Mergers, the Exchange will certify to the NYSE and FINRA that all such transferring members met the Amex's minimum membership standards at the time they were approved for membership and that nothing has come to the attention of the Exchange that would disqualify any of these members.

Following the closing of the transaction, the Exchange will work with FINRA as its agent to ensure that the Exchange's membership requirements are met.

Changes to Existing NYSE Rules in the Proposed NYSE Alternext Equities Rules

NOTE: Rules not listed below have been reserved.

NYSE Alternext	Changes from corresponding NYSE Rule
Rule	
0	Amex Rule 0 and NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 0 were adopted in order to
	clarify that, after the Equities Relocation, the legacy rules of the Amex will
	continue to apply to trading on the legacy 86 Trinity Trading Systems and the
	NYSE Alternext Equities Rules will apply to all equity transactions on the
	NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. Amex Rule 0 and NYSE Alternext
	Equities Rule 0 also clarify that rules substantially identical to NYSE Rules
	475, 476 and 477 will be the disciplinary rules that will apply to all trading
	on both the 86 Trinity and NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. The legacy
	Amex minor rules violation rule (Amex Rule 590) will continue to apply to
	trading on the 86 Trinity Trading Systems and a rule substantially identical to
	NYSE Rule 476A will apply to trading on the NYSE Alternext Trading
	System. The adoption of Disciplinary Rules 475, 476 and 477 to the legacy
	86 Trinity Rules will be made in a separate rule filing.
476A	As noted above, Disciplinary Rule 476A will be adopted as part of the legacy
	86 Trinity Rules but will apply to trading on both the 86 Trinity Trading
	Systems and the NYSE Alternext Trading Systems. The Rule is substantially
	identical to NYSE Rule 476A, with the following exceptions: (i) the adoption
	of the existing Amex fine schedule from Amex Rule 590, (ii) references to
	"ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were deleted or modified, and

	(iii) references to "Registered Competitive Market Makers" (RCMMs) and
	"Competitive Traders" (CTs) were removed as NYSE Alternext will not have
	these types of market participants. In addition, Disciplinary Rule 476A
	incorporates as additional supplementary material from Amex Rule 590 the
	cross-references to legacy Amex Rules to govern trading on the 86 Trinity
	Systems prior to completion of the Relocations.
1	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 1, with the following
	exceptions: (i) changing the definition of "Exchange" to refer to NYSE
	Alternext and (ii) adding definitions for "NYSE Market," "NYSER" and
	"Market Surveillance Division".
2	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 2, except, as described
	above, to add supplementary material to provide that members and member
	organizations of the New York Stock Exchange LLC will be approved as
	members of the Exchange.
2A	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 2A, with the following
	exception: the approval of the NYSE Regulation Board of Directors will not
	be required for rule amendments as NYSE Alternext will retain primary
	authority over the Exchange and the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules. NYSE
	Regulation will perform services for NYSE Alternext pursuant to a
	Regulatory Services Agreement.
2B	No substantive changes.
3	No substantive changes.
4	No substantive changes.
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No substantive changes.
The definition of "Floor" in NYSE Rule 6 has been modified in the NYSE
Alternext Equities Rules to incorporate the definition of "Floor" in Rule 11a-
1(c) of the Exchange Act. NYSE intends to make conforming changes to the
NYSE Rules.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 12, with the following
exception: the cross-reference to Rule 284 was deleted to reflect that Rule
284 itself has been deleted from the NYSE's rules.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 13, with the following
exceptions: (i) references to "Auction Market Orders", which were never
actually implemented on the NYSE, and "Automated Bond System" were
removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext, (ii)
references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were deleted or
modified, and (iii) references to "Investment Company Units", Trust Issued
Receipts", "Gold Shares", "Currency Trust Shares" and "Commodity Trust
Shares" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE
Alternext.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 15A, with the following

	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
NYSE Rule 16	NYSE Rule 16 on bulletin board communications was not adopted to the
	NYSE Alternext Rules as it was an ITS-related Rule and deleted.
17	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 17T	NYSE Rule 17T was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as it was an
	ITS-related Rule and deleted.
18	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 18. NYSE Alternext
	members will be reimbursed by the Exchange and NYSE Alternext will
	participate in the NYSE fund for compensation for system malfunctions on a
	pro rata basis with all NYSE members. A companion rule filing amending
	NYSE Rule 18 will be submitted by the NYSE.
19	No substantive changes.
20	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 20, with the following
	exceptions: (i) the Rule has been modified to reflect the NYSE Alternext
	corporate structure and (ii) as referenced above, NYSE Regulation will
	perform services for NYSE Alternext pursuant to an RSA.
NYSE Rule 21	NYSE Rule 21 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Equities Rules since
	listings determinations are no longer a Board function on the NYSE and will
	not be a Board function on NYSE Alternext.
22	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 22, with the following
	exception: the Rule has been modified to reflect the NYSE Alternext
	corporate structure.

23	No substantive changes.
24	No substantive changes.
25	No substantive changes.
27	No substantive changes.
28	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 28, with the following
	exception: the Rule has been modified to reflect the NYSE Alternext
	corporate structure.
35	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 35, with the following
	exception: certain floor ticket and other requirements have been deleted as
	outdated or obsolete.
36	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 36, with the following
	exception: references to "RCMMs," Rule 800 ("Basket Trading"),
	"Investment Company Units" and "Trust Issued Receipts" were removed as
	they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
37	NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 37 has been modified to provide that visitors
	may be admitted to the Floor by any qualified officer of NYSE Euronext or
	its subsidiaries or a Senior Floor Official, Executive Floor Official, a Floor
	Governor, or an Executive Floor Governor of NYSE Alternext or New York
	Stock Exchange LLC. Officers or NYSE Market or NYSE Regulation who
	are not qualified officers of NYSE Euronext will not be permitted to admit
	visitors to the Floor of the Exchange.
NYSE Rule 38	NYSE Rule 38 on bulletin board communications was not adopted to the
	NYSE Alternext Rules as it is no longer relevant.

NYSE Rule 45	NYSE Rule 45 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules. The relevant
	text of this Rule has been moved to Rule 0, and references to "ITS" and
	"ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were deleted or modified.
46	NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 46 has been modified to provide for the cross-
	designation of qualified NYSE Euronext employees as Exchange Floor
	Officials and/or Governors.
46A	No substantive changes.
47	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 47, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
48	No substantive changes.
51	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 51, with the following
	exception: references to "NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86 were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
52	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 52, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
53	No substantive changes.
54	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 54, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
55	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 55, with the following
	exception: references to "NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86 were removed as no

	such Rule will be applicable on NYSE Alternext.
56	No substantive changes.
60	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 60, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) liquidity bids and positions are no longer
	disseminated on the NYSE and are not applicable to trading on NYSE
	Alternext.
60A	This Rule corresponds to existing Amex Rule 60 regarding vendor liability,
	which will apply to NYSE Alternext. No substantive changes to Amex Rule
	60 were made.
61	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 61, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86 were removed as
	they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext, (ii) references to "ITS"
	and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were deleted or modified, and (iii)
	references to NYSE Rules 391 (Special Offerings and Bids) and 393
	(Secondary Distributions) were deleted as these Rules were deleted from the
	NYSE's rules.
62	No substantive changes.
63	No substantive changes.
64	No substantive changes.
65	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 65, with the following
	exception: references to "cabinet securities" and "Rule 85" were removed as
	they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.

66	No substantive changes.
70	No substantive changes.
71	No substantive changes.
72	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 72, with the following
	exception: references to "NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86 were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
73	No substantive changes.
74	No substantive changes.
75	No substantive changes.
76	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 76, with the following
	exception: references to "Automated Bond System" were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
77	No substantive changes.
78	No substantive changes.
79A	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 79A, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) references to "NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86
	were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
80B	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 85	NYSE Rule 85 regarding "Cabinet Securities" was not adopted to the NYSE
	Alternext Rules as it is not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
NYSE Rule 86	NYSE Rule 86 regarding "NYSE Bonds" was not adopted to the NYSE
	Alternext Rules as it is not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.

90	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 90, with the following
	exception: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) deletion of quotation of Sections 11(a) of
	the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder as the text thereof is readily
	accessible elsewhere.
91	No substantive changes.
92	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 92, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) removal of references to NYSE Rule 800
	(Basket Trading) since NYSE Alternext equities members will be subject to
	NYSE Rule 800 as NYSE members.
93	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 93, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
94	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 94, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
95	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 95, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
96	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 96, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) references to Rule 800 ("Basket Trading")

	were removed as inapplicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
98	Amex Rule 193 is being retained and will be renumbered to substitute in
	place of NYSE Rules 98 and 98A regarding persons affiliated with specialists
	as the NYSE is currently reviewing its Rule 98.
	The Rule is substantially identical to Amex Rule 193, with the following
	exceptions: (i) internal cross-references were modified to reflect the
	appropriate NYSE Alternext Equities Rules or, where there is no
	corresponding NYSE Alternext Equities Rule, deleted, (ii) references to
	options rules were removed as options will not be traded on NYSE Alternext,
	and (iii) references to "Registered Trader", "Registered Equity Market
	Maker" and "Registered Options Trader" were removed as these types of
	market participants will not be permitted on NYSE Alternext.
99	No substantive changes.
100	No substantive changes.
101	No substantive changes.
102	No substantive changes.
103	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 103, with the following
	exception: monthly registration fees for registration as regular specialists
	were removed. Any such fees to be imposed on NYSE Alternext will be
	made pursuant to a separate fee filing.
103A	No substantive changes.
103B	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 103B, with the following
	exception: (i) references to "Investment Company Units", "Trust Issued

	Receipts", "Gold Shares" and "Currency Trust Shares", as well as the "Listed
	Company Manual" and "Quality of Markets Committee", were removed as
	they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext and (ii) in Section XI, a
	provision was added to limit trading of NYSE Alternext-listed securities to
	posts where NYSE-listed securities are not traded. It is contemplated that a
	similar rule will be added to the NYSE Rules to limit trading of NYSE-listed
	securities to posts where NYSE-Alternext-listed securities are not traded.
104	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 104, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "The Display Book" "auction limit order" and
	"auction market order" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on
	NYSE Alternext, (ii) references to "Investment Company Units", "Trust
	Issued Receipts", "Gold Shares" and Rule 800 ("Basket Trading") were
	removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext. In
	addition, the Specialist Minimum Capital Requirements were adjusted:
	NYSE Alternext is retaining the structure of NYSE Rule 104 but conforming
	the net capital requirements and ratios to the lower existing Amex
	requirements to reflect the smaller size of NYSE Alternext member
	organizations.
104A	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 104A, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
104B	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 104B, with the following
	exception: references to "Investment Company Units", "Trust Issued

	Receipts", "Gold Shares", "Currency Trust Shares", and "Commodity Trust
	Shares" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE
	Alternext.
105	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 105 with the following
	exception: references to "Investment Company Units" and "Trust Issued
	Receipts" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE
	Alternext.
106	No substantive changes.
106A	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule	NYSE Rule 107A was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as NYSE
107A	Alternext will not have Registered Competitive Market Makers.
108	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 110	NYSE Rule 110 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as NYSE
	Alternext will not have Competitive Traders.
NYSE Rule 111	NYSE Rule 111 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as NYSE
	Alternext will not have Competitive Traders.
112	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 112 with the following
	exception: references to "Floor" have been modified to cross reference the
	definition in Rule 6 (Floor).
113	No substantive changes.
115	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 115, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.

115A	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 115A with the following
	exception: references to "Pre-Opening Application" were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
116	No substantive changes.
117	No substantive changes.
118	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 119	NYSE Rule 119 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as "NYSE
	Bonds" are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
121	No substantive changes.
122	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 122 with the following
	exception: references to "d-Quoting" were removed as the provision sunset
	on its terms and is no longer applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
123	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 123, with the following
	exception: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) references to RCMMs and CTs were
	deleted as these types of market participants will not exist at NYSE
	Alternext.
123A	No substantive changes.
123B	No substantive changes.
123C	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 123C, with the following
	exception: references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were
	deleted or modified.
123D	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 123D, with the following

	exception: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified; (ii) references to "Investment Company Units",
	"NYSE Bonds" and Rule 86 were removed as they are not applicable to
	trading on NYSE Alternext; and (iii) references to the implementation dates
	for the "Sub penny trading" halt condition were removed as obsolete. The
	whole Rule will apply to trading on NYSE Alternext, but there are aspects of
	the Rule that are obsolete for both NYSE and NYSE Alternext due to sunset
	provisions.
NYSE Rule	NYSE Rule 123E regarding the specialist combination review policy was not
123E	adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as the parameters in the Rule are not
	relevant given (i) the anticipated number and size of the NYSE Alternext
	specialist firms, and (ii) the Exchange's overall market structure.
123G	No substantive changes.
124	No substantive changes.
126	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 126, with the following
	exception: the cross-reference to Rule 425 (Income and Expense Report) was
	deleted to reflect that Rule 425 has been deleted from the NYSE's rules.
127	No substantive changes.
128	The Amex version of the Clearly Erroneous Transactions Rule was adopted
	as NYSE's version of this rule (NYSE Rule 128) expired in June 2008. The
	Rule is substantially identical to Amex Rule 135A, with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to trading NASDAQ securities were removed as
	inapplicable to trading on NYSE Alternext, and (ii) references to Amex Rule
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	390 (Assumption of Loss Prohibited) were removed, as its provisions are
	covered in other rules adopted from the NYSE in NYSE Alternext Equities
	Rule 352 (Guarantees, Sharing in Accounts, and Loan Arrangements).
128A	No substantive changes.
128B	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 129	NYSE Rule 129 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as oversight
	services fees will not initially be imposed on NYSE Alternext.
130	No substantive changes.
131	No substantive changes.
131A	No substantive changes.
132	No substantive changes.
132A	No substantive changes.
132B	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 132B, with the following
	exception: references to "auction limit order" and "auction market order",
	"RCMM" and "CT" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on
	NYSE Alternext
132C	No substantive changes.
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134	No substantive changes.
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136	No substantive changes.
137	No substantive changes.
137A	No substantive changes.

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141	No substantive changes.
142	No substantive changes.
165	No substantive changes.
166	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 168	NYSE Rule 168 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as it relies on
	NYSE Rule 284, which was deleted from the NYSE Rules.
175	No substantive changes.
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189	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 189, with the following
	exception: the reference to Rule 284 was deleted as there is no longer a Rule
	284.
190	No substantive changes.
191	No substantive changes.
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198	No substantive changes.
199	No substantive changes.
200	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 200, with the following
	exception: references to the NYSE Medallion signature program were
	removed as NYSE Alternext will not have its own medallion program but
	will require use of medallion signatures in accordance with NYSE Rules.
201	No substantive changes.
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270	No substantive changes.
271	No substantive changes.

No substantive changes. NYSE Rule 274 was not adopted to the NYSE Alternext Rules as it will not be applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext. No substantive changes.
be applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.

The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 300, modified to reflect that
NYSE Alternext members will be afforded a six month grace period from the
date any such member receives an equities trading license in exchange for a
valid 86 Trinity Permit within which to satisfy, as necessary, all applicable
membership requirements of the Exchange.
No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 304A, modified to reflect
that NYSE Alternext approved persons will be afforded a six month grace
period from the date any such approved person receives an equities trading
license in exchange for a valid 86 Trinity Permit within which to satisfy, as
necessary, the requirements of this rule.
No substantive changes.

328	No substantive changes.
341	No substantive changes.
342	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 342 with the following
	exception: references to "bonds" were removed as they are not applicable to
	trading on NYSE Alternext.
343	No substantive changes.
344	No substantive changes.
345	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 345 with the following
	exception: references to "Registered Options Representatives" were removed
	as this type of market participant will not be permitted to trade on NYSE
	Alternext Trading Systems.
345A	No substantive changes.
346	No substantive changes.
347	No substantive changes.
350	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 350 with the following
	exception: references to "Human Resources Department" were removed as
	they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
351	No substantive changes.
352	No substantive changes.
353	No substantive changes.
354	No substantive changes.
375	No substantive changes.
382	No substantive changes.

No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 407 with the following
exception: references to "Ethics Officer" and "Human Resources Division"
were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 408 with the following
exception: references to "Registered Options Principal" were removed as this
type of market participant will not be permitted to trade on NYSE Alternext
Trading Systems
No substantive changes.

411	No substantive changes.
412	No substantive changes.
413	No substantive changes.
NYSE Rule 414	NYSE Rule 414 concerning index and currency warrants was not adopted to
	the NYSE Alternext Rules as it will not be applicable to trading on NYSE
	Alternext.
416	No substantive changes.
416A	No substantive changes.
418	No substantive changes.
420	No substantive changes.
421	No substantive changes.
422	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 422, with changes made to
	reflect the proper corporate structure.
424	No substantive changes.
430	No substantive changes.
431	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 431 with the following
	exception: references to rules in the 700 series (Options) and Rule 414 (Index
	and Currency Warrants) were deleted as they are inapplicable to trading on
	NYSE Alternext.
432	No substantive changes.
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438	No substantive changes.
440	No substantive changes.
440A	No substantive changes.
440B	No substantive changes.
440C	No substantive changes.
440F	No substantive changes.
440G	No substantive changes.
440H	No substantive changes.
440I	No substantive changes.
445	No substantive changes.
446	No substantive changes.
450	No substantive changes.
451	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 451 with the following
	exception: references to "NYSE Company Manual" were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
452	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 452 with the following
	exception: references to "NYSE Company Manual" were removed as they
	are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
453	No substantive changes.
454	No substantive changes.
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456	No substantive changes.
457	No substantive changes.

No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 460 with the following
exception: references to "Investment Company Units" and "Trust Issued
Receipts" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE
Alternext.
No substantive changes.
No substantive changes.
As noted above, NYSE Rules 475-477 will be adopted as part of the Amex
Rules for "Day 1" and will apply to trading on NYSE Alternext following the
Equities Relocation.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 497 with the following
exception: references to "NYSE Company Manual" were removed as they
are not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 600A and was included,
and NYSE Rules 600-639 (Arbitration) were not adopted, in the NYSE
Alternext Equities Rules to clarify that the arbitration procedures of NYSE
Alternext will be handled by FINRA.
The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 900 with the following
exceptions: (i) references to "RCMMs" and "CTs" were removed as they are
not applicable to trading on NYSE Alternext and (ii) references to "ITS" and
"ITS"-related rules are obsolete and were deleted or modified. After-hours
trading on the Exchange is described more fully below.

901	No substantive changes.
902	No substantive changes.
903	No substantive changes.
904	No substantive changes.
905	No substantive changes.
906	No substantive changes.
907	No substantive changes.
1000	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 1000 with the following
	exception: (i) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete and
	were deleted or modified, and (ii) references to a NYSE Direct+ related pilot
	program sunset according to its terms and were deleted.
1001	No substantive changes.
1002	The Rule is substantially identical to NYSE Rule 1002 with the following
	exceptions: (i) references to "Investment Company Units", "Trust Issued
	Receipts", "Gold Shares", "Currency Trust Shares" and "Commodity Trust
	Shares" were removed as they are not applicable to trading on NYSE
	Alternext and (ii) references to "ITS" and "ITS"-related rules are obsolete
	and were deleted or modified.
1004	No substantive changes.

After-Hours Trading on NYSE Alternext

As with equities trading during regular trading hours, NYSE Alternext will provide after-hours trading using the trading systems and facilities of the NYSE. Pursuant to the Equities Relocation, Crossing Session I (described below) will be provided to the Exchange's members

and any trades executed therein will print as an NYSE Alternext execution. Crossing Session II will not be offered as a separate trading facility to members of the Exchange. The NYSE has indicated that Crossing Sessions III and IV, which were established as pilot programs, will be allowed to lapse at the end of their current authorization and thus the Exchange will not offer these Crossing Sessions to its members.²¹

Crossing Session I, from 4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., is for the execution of closing-price (single-sided or coupled) orders and Good Til Cross orders:

- Closing-price orders are orders to buy or sell a security at its closing price; orders
 may be singled-sided or coupled, so long as both sides of a coupled order are not
 proprietary (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 902(a)(ii));
- Good 'Til Cross (GTX) orders are Good `Til Cancelled Orders (GTC) that have been designated as "Off-Hours eligible" for execution in after-hours Crossing Session I. GTX orders that are marketable at or better than the closing price migrate from the specialist's limit order book to Crossing Session I (see NYSE Alternext Equities Rule 902(b)).²²

Trades entered in Crossing Session I are executed at the closing price on the Exchange; there are no new quotes or pricing during Crossing Session I. Partially or wholly unexecuted closing-price orders expire at the end of the after-hours trading sessions.²³ Any GTX orders that remain

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 57213 (January 28, 2008), 73 FR 6540 (February 4, 2008) (SR-NYSE-2008-07). The NYSE's pilot program for Crossing Sessions III and IV is set to expire on February 1, 2009.

A GTC Order is an order to buy or sell that remains in effect until it is either executed or cancelled. See proposed NYSE Alternext Rule 13. Unless designated as a GTX Order, a GTC Order will not execute in the after-hours facilities of the Exchange and will remain on the Book until the start of trading the next business day.

See proposed NYSE Alternext Rule 902(e).

partially or wholly unexecuted at the close of after-hours trading on the Exchange move back to the specialist's limit order book for trading the next business day as GTC orders. Prior to execution in Crossing Session I, a member may cancel any closing-price or migrated GTX orders. ²⁴

2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder that are applicable to a national securities exchange, and, in particular, with the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act. The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b) of the Act, in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, in particular, in that it would create a trading and regulatory structure that is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that, pursuant to the Mergers, the separation and relocation of the Exchange's equities and options trading operations to the NYSE and NYSE Arca trading systems and facilities, respectively, will enhance its ability to provide quality products and services to its customers. The Exchange also believes that, with a dual market structure and diversified business model, it will ensure its ability to compete in the marketplace. The Mergers

See proposed NYSE Alternext Rule 902(d).

²⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

²⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

should also permit the new entity to improve its technology and engage in value-enhancing transactions designed to facilitate its long-term success.

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed change to a for-profit institution will undermine its responsibilities for regulating its marketplace. As described above, following the Mergers the regulatory functions of the Exchange will be carried out by NYSE Regulation, whose status as a not-for-profit entity will facilitate the Exchange in managing conflicts between its business and regulatory objectives, maintaining regulatory standards and complying with its obligations as a registered national securities exchange and self-regulatory organization.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

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

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from persons or entities that trade on the Exchange or other interested parties.

- III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action
 Within 35 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 Amex consents, the Commission will:
 - (A) by order approve 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 <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-Amex-2008-63 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-Amex-2008-63. 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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 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-Amex-2008-63 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 27

Florence E. Harmon Acting Secretary

²⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).