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Catherine F.I. Andrade,
OPIC Corporate Secretary.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. CP2017-219; CP2018-217]

New Postal Products

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission's consideration concerning negotiated service agreements. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* August 15, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit comments electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

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I. Introduction

The Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition or removal of a negotiated service agreement from the market dominant or the competitive product list, or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the market dominant or the competitive product list.

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, the title of each Postal Service request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each request.

The public portions of the Postal Service's request(s) can be accessed via the Commission's website (<http://www.prc.gov>). Non-public portions of the Postal Service's request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3007.40.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3010, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

II. Docketed Proceeding(s)

1. *Docket No(s):* CP2017-219; *Filing Title:* USPS Notice of Amendment to Parcel Select Contract 22, Filed Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date:* August 3, 2018; *Filing Authority:* 39 CFR 3015.5; *Public Representative:* Lyudmila Y. Bzhilyanskaya; *Comments Due:* August 15, 2018.

2. *Docket No(s):* CP2018-217; *Filing Title:* USPS Notice of Amendment to Priority Mail Express & Priority Mail Contract 65, Filed Under Seal; *Filing Acceptance Date:* August 7, 2018; *Filing Authority:* 39 CFR 3015.5; *Public Representative:* Christopher C. Mohr; *Comments Due:* August 15, 2018.

This notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Stacy L. Ruble,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-83790; File No. SR-ISE-2018-69]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Nasdaq ISE, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Regular Order Take Fee and the QCC and Solicitation Order Rebate

August 7, 2018.

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 25, 2018, Nasdaq ISE, LLC (“ISE” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the ISE Schedule of Fees to: (i) Increase the Regular Order Take Fee in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX for Priority Customers;³ and; (2) not pay the “Customer to Customer” Orders rebate for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at <http://ise.cchwallstreet.com/>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend the ISE Schedule of Fees at Section I, entitled “Regular Order Fees and Rebates” as well as the Section IV, entitled “Other Options Fees

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ A “Priority Customer” is a person or entity that is not a broker/dealer in securities, and does not place more than 390 orders in listed options per day on average during a calendar month for its own beneficial account(s), as defined in Nasdaq ISE Rule 100(a)(37A). Unless otherwise noted, when used in the Schedule of Fees the term “Priority Customer” includes “Retail” as defined in the Schedule of Fees. See Preface to ISE Schedule of Fees.

and Rebates” within Section A, “QCC and Solicitation Rebate.” Each proposed change is described in more detail below. The Exchange believes that each of the proposed rule changes will permit the Exchange to remain competitive in options trading.

Taker Fees

Currently, the Exchange charges a Regular Order Taker Fee for Select Symbols, other than Priority Customer orders in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX, of: \$0.45 per contract for Market Maker orders,⁴ \$0.44 per contract for Priority Customer orders and \$0.46 per contract for Non-Nasdaq ISE Market Makers⁵ (FarMM), Firm Proprietary⁶/Broker Dealer,⁷ and Professional Customers⁸ orders. The Regular Order Taker Fee for Priority Customer orders in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX is \$0.37 per contract.

The Exchange proposes to increase this Regular Order Taker Fee in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX to \$0.40 per contract for Priority Customer orders. While the Exchange is increasing this fee, the Exchange believes that the fee remains competitive. Also, this fee continues to be lower than other Regular Order Taker Fees for SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX assessed to non-Priority Customers.

QCC and Solicitation Rebate

Currently, ISE Members using Qualified Contingent Cross (“QCC”) orders⁹ and/or other solicited crossing orders, including solicited orders executed in the Solicitation,¹⁰ Facilitation¹¹ or Price Improvement Mechanism (“PIM”)¹², receive rebates for each originating contract side in all symbols traded on the Exchange. Once a Member reaches a certain volume

threshold in QCC orders and/or solicited crossing orders during a month, the Exchange provides rebates to that Member for all of its QCC and solicited crossing order traded contracts for that month.¹³ The applicable rebates are applied on QCC and solicited crossing order traded contracts once the volume threshold is met. Today, Members receive the Non-“Customer to Customer” rebate for all QCC and/or other solicited crossing orders except for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers. QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers receive the “Customer to Customer” Orders¹⁴ rebate. Non-“Customer to Customer” and “Customer to Customer” volume is aggregated in determining the applicable volume tier. The current volume threshold and corresponding rebates are as follows:

Originating contract sides	Non-“Customer to customer” rebate	“Customer to customer” rebate
0 to 99,999	\$0.00	\$0.00
100,000 to 199,999	(0.05)	(0.01)
200,000 to 499,999	(0.07)	(0.01)
500,000 to 749,999	(0.09)	(0.03)
750,000 to 999,999	(0.10)	(0.03)
1,000,000+	(0.11)	(0.03)

At this time, the Exchange proposes to not pay the “Customer to Customer” Orders rebate for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers. The Exchange proposes to amend its Schedule of Fees to make clear that such a rebate will not be paid. “Customer-to-Customer” Rebates are being removed from the table within the Schedule of Fees. The Exchange notes that this rebate did not attract volume as anticipated when the rebate was implemented. The Exchange is also amending the sentence that provides, “Non-“Customer to Customer” and “Customer to Customer” volume will be aggregated in determining the

applicable volume tier” with language which removes the term “Customer to Customer” and instead descriptively defines that volume. The proposed sentence states, “Volume resulting from all QCC and solicited orders will be aggregated in determining the applicable volume tier.” In addition the Exchange is removing references to “Non-“Customer to Customer” rebate” and simply noting the term “rebate.” The Exchange believes that the term Non-“Customer to Customer” is no longer necessary. The language makes clear that Members will receive the rebate for all QCC and/or other solicited crossing orders except for QCC and

solicited orders between two Priority Customers. No other changes are being made to the manner in which rebates are calculated or paid.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,¹⁵ in general, and furthers the objectives of Sections 6(b)(4) and 6(b)(5) of the Act,¹⁶ in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility, and is not designed to permit unfair

⁴ “Market makers” refers to “Competitive Market Makers” and “Primary Market Makers” collectively. See ISE Rule 100(a)(28).

⁵ A “Non-Nasdaq ISE Market Maker” is a market maker as defined in Section 3(a)(38) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, registered in the same options class on another options exchange. See Preface to ISE Schedule of Fees.

⁶ A “Firm Proprietary” order is an order submitted by a Member for its own proprietary account. See Preface to ISE Schedule of Fees.

⁷ “Broker-Dealer” order is an order submitted by a Member for a broker-dealer account that is not its own proprietary account. See Preface to ISE Schedule of Fees.

⁸ A “Professional Customer” is a person or entity that is not a broker/dealer and is not a Priority Customer. See Preface to ISE Schedule of Fees.

⁹ A QCC Order is comprised of an originating order to buy or sell at least 1000 contracts that is identified as being part of a qualified contingent trade, as that term is defined in Supplementary Material .01 below, coupled with a contra-side order or orders totaling an equal number of contracts. See ISE Rule 715(j).

¹⁰ The Solicited Order Mechanism is a process by which an EAM can attempt to execute orders of 500 or more contracts it represents as agent against contra orders that it solicited. Each order entered into the Solicited Order Mechanism shall be designated as all-or-none. See ISE Rule 716(e).

¹¹ The Facilitation Mechanism is a process by which an EAM can execute a transaction wherein the EAM seeks to facilitate a block-size order it represents as agent, and/or a transaction wherein the EAM solicited interest to execute against a block-size order it represents as agent. See Rule 716(d).

¹² PIM is a process by which an Electronic Access Member can provide price improvement opportunities for a transaction wherein the Electronic Access Member seeks to facilitate an order it represents as agent, and/or a transaction wherein the Electronic Access Member solicited interest to execute against an order it represents as agent (a “Crossing Transaction”).

¹³ All eligible volume from affiliated members will be aggregated in determining QCC and Solicitation volume totals, provided there is at least 75% common ownership between the members as reflected on each member’s Form BD, Schedule A.

¹⁴ A “Customer to Customer” order is a QCC or other solicited order between two Priority Customers.

¹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4) and (5).

discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

Taker Fees

The Exchange believes that the proposed change to increase Regular Order Priority Customer Taker Fees in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX from \$0.37 to \$0.40 per contract is reasonable because the increased Taker Fee remains competitive and will continue to be attractive to market participants. Priority Customers will continue to receive reduced Regular Order Taker Fees in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX, which represent some of the most heavily traded symbols on ISE. In particular, the proposed Taker Fees are lower than Taker Fees assessed to Priority Customer orders in other Select Symbols¹⁷ as well as Taker Fees assessed to other market participants.¹⁸ As such, the Exchange believes that the proposed Regular Order Taker Fees will continue to attract order flow to the benefit of all market participants that trade on the Exchange.

The Exchange believes that the proposed change to increase Regular Order Priority Customer Taker Fees in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX from \$0.37 to \$0.40 per contract is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because despite the increase to the fee, Priority Customer interest will continue to be assessed the lowest Regular Order Taker Fees in these symbols. Priority Customer interest brings valuable liquidity to the market, which liquidity benefits other market participants. Priority Customer liquidity benefits all market participants by providing more trading opportunities, which attracts Market Makers. An increase in the activity of these market participants in turn facilitates tighter spreads, which may cause an additional corresponding increase in order flow from other market participants.

QCC and Solicitation Rebate

The Exchange believes that the proposed change to not pay the "Customer to Customer" Rebate for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers is reasonable. Despite the removal of the rebate, the Exchange believes that the proposal will continue to encourage Members to transact QCC and/or other solicited

¹⁷ Currently, ISE charges a Regular Order Taker Fee for Select Symbols, other than SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX, of \$0.44 per contract for Priority Customer orders.

¹⁸ Currently, the Exchange charges a Regular Order Taker Fee for Select Symbols of \$0.45 per contract for Market Maker orders and \$0.46 per contract for FarMM, Firm Proprietary/Broker Dealer, and Professional Customers orders.

crossing orders on ISE. The Exchange notes that Customer-to-Customer Orders will continue to be aggregated with all other volume to determine the applicable volume tier for rebates.

The Exchange believes that the proposed change to not pay the "Customer to Customer" Orders rebate for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers is equitable and not unfairly discriminatory because the Exchange would uniformly not pay any Member a rebate for Customer-to-Customer Orders. The Customer-to-Customer Orders will continue to be counted toward the rebates for all market participants that qualify for such rebates.

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. With respect to the increase to the Regular Order Taker Fees for Priority Customers in SPY, QQQ, IWM, and VXX, the Exchange does not believe this proposal imposes an undue burden on competition because despite the increase to the fee, Priority Customer interest will continue to be assessed the lowest Regular Order Taker Fees in these symbols. Priority Customer interest brings valuable liquidity to the market, which liquidity benefits other market participants. Priority Customer liquidity benefits all market participants by providing more trading opportunities, which attracts Market Makers. An increase in the activity of these market participants in turn facilitates tighter spreads, which may cause an additional corresponding increase in order flow from other market participants.

With respect to the proposed change to not pay the "Customer to Customer" Orders rebate for QCC and solicited orders between two Priority Customers, the Exchange does not believe this proposal imposes an undue burden on competition because the Exchange would uniformly not pay any Member a rebate for Customer-to-Customer Orders. The Customer-to-Customer Orders will continue to be counted toward the rebates for all market participants that qualify for such rebates.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,¹⁹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)²⁰ thereunder. 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 (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-ISE-2018-69 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-ISE-2018-69. 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 (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public

¹⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

²⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2018-69 and should be submitted on or before September 4, 2018.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.²¹

Eduardo A. Aleman,
Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 83 FR 25496, June 1, 2018.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF THE MEETING: Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

CHANGES IN THE MEETING: The Open Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. has been changed to Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. The following items will not be considered during the Commission's Open Meeting:

- Whether to adopt a new rule as well as amendments to rules and forms to provide certain registered investment companies ("funds") with an optional method to transmit shareholder reports.
- whether to issue a release requesting comment about processing fees for delivering shareholder reports and other materials to fund investors.
- whether to issue a release requesting comment from individual investors and other interested parties on how to enhance the delivery, design, and content of fund disclosures, including shareholder reports and prospectuses.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Dated: June 4, 2018.

Brent J. Fields,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-83794; File No. SR-NASDAQ-2018-062]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend the Nasdaq Options Regulatory Fee

August 7, 2018.

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 27, 2018, The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to revise The Nasdaq Options Market LLC's Rules ("NOM") at Chapter XV, Section 5 to amend the Nasdaq Options Regulatory Fee or "ORF."

While the changes proposed herein are effective upon filing, the Exchange has designated the amendments become operative on August 1, 2018.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at <http://nasdaq.cchwallstreet.com/>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set

forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

Currently, Nasdaq assesses an ORF of \$0.0027 per contract side. The Exchange proposes to decrease this ORF to \$0.0008 per contract side. In light of recent market volumes on NOM, the Exchange is proposing to change the amount of ORF that will be collected by the Exchange. The Exchange's proposed change to the ORF should balance the Exchange's regulatory revenue against the anticipated costs.

Collection of ORF

Currently, NOM assesses its ORF for each customer option transaction that is either: (1) executed by a Participant on NOM; or (2) cleared by a NOM Participant at The Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC") in the customer range,³ even if the transaction was executed by a non-member of NOM, regardless of the exchange on which the transaction occurs.⁴ If the OCC clearing member is a NOM Participant, ORF is assessed and collected on all cleared customer contracts (after adjustment for CMTA⁵); and (2) if the OCC clearing member is not a NOM Participant, ORF is collected only on the cleared customer contracts executed at NOM, taking into account any CMTA instructions which may result in collecting the ORF from a non-member.

By way of example, if Broker A, a NOM Participant, routes a customer order to CBOE and the transaction executes on CBOE and clears in Broker A's OCC Clearing account, ORF will be collected by NOM from Broker A's clearing account at OCC via direct debit. While this transaction was executed on a market other than NOM, it was cleared by a NOM Participant in the member's OCC clearing account in the customer range, therefore there is a regulatory nexus between NOM and the transaction. If Broker A was not a NOM Participant, then no ORF should be assessed and collected because there is no nexus; the transaction did not

³ Participants must record the appropriate account origin code on all orders at the time of entry in order. The Exchange represents that it has surveillances in place to verify that members mark orders with the correct account origin code.

⁴ The Exchange uses reports from OCC when assessing and collecting the ORF.

⁵ CMTA or Clearing Member Trade Assignment is a form of "give-up" whereby the position will be assigned to a specific clearing firm at OCC.

²¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.