

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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Self-Regulatory Organizations; EDGX Exchange, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule to Amend EDGX Rule 11.9

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on November 17, 2011, the EDGX Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange" or the "EDGX") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Item II below, which item have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. 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 introduce an additional routing option to Rule 11.9 and amend existing routing options. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at [www.directedge.com](http://www.directedge.com), on the Commission's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), at the Exchange's principal office, and at the Public Reference Room of the Commission.

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

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<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization 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 Exchange’s current list of routing options are codified in Rule 11.9(b)(3). In this filing, the Exchange proposes to amend the language of two routing options contained in Rule 11.9(b)(3) to modify the behavior of unexecuted shares and distinguish the execution path if an order is sent as a Day Order<sup>3</sup> versus an Immediate-or-Cancel (“IOC”)<sup>4</sup> order.

Specifically, Rule 11.9(b)(3)(h) provides that the RDOT routing option checks the System for available shares and then is sent sequentially to destinations on the System routing table. If shares remain unexecuted after routing, they are sent to the NYSE. The Exchange proposes to modify this strategy to provide that any unexecuted shares can be re-routed by the NYSE and any remainder after routing will be posted to the NYSE book, unless otherwise instructed by the User. The phrase “unless otherwise instructed by the User” is proposed to be added to the rule to account for the fact that if a User sends an IOC order, it will not post to the NYSE book.

Rule 11.9(b)(3)(i) provides that the RDOX routing option checks the System for available shares and then is sent to the NYSE. The Exchange proposes to amend this strategy to provide that the unexecuted shares can be re-routed by the NYSE and any remainder after routing will be posted to the NYSE book, unless otherwise instructed by the User. The phrase

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<sup>3</sup> As defined in Rule 11.5(b)(2).

<sup>4</sup> As defined in Rule 11.5(b)(1).

“unless otherwise instructed by the User” is proposed to be added to the rule [sic] account for the fact that if a User sends an IOC order, it will not post to the NYSE book.

The Exchange also proposes to amend Rule 11.9(b)(3)(n), which currently has an incorrect cross reference to the ROUT routing option as being in paragraph (h) in its description. The Exchange proposes to correct the citation to cross reference paragraph (c) for the ROUT routing option.

The Exchange believes the proposed modification of the routing options described above will provide additional specificity to the Exchange’s rulebook regarding routing strategies and will further enhance transparency with respect to Exchange routing offerings.

## 2. Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> which requires the rules of an exchange to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The proposed changes to the two routing options described above will provide additional specificity to the Exchange’s rulebook regarding routing strategies and will further enhance transparency with respect to Exchange routing offerings.

### B. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement on Burden on Competition

The proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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

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 members or other interested parties.

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

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>6</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.<sup>7</sup>

A proposed rule change filed under 19b-4(f)(6) normally may not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing.<sup>8</sup> However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)<sup>9</sup> permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay. The Exchange notes that waiver of this requirement will allow the Exchange to offer Exchange Users the modified routing strategies, on or about December 5, 2011. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because such waiver would allow the modified routing strategies to become

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<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

<sup>9</sup> Id.

available on or about December 5, 2011, and would immediately provide additional specificity to the Exchange's rules regarding routing strategies and further enhance transparency with respect to Exchange routing offerings. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposed rule change to be operative upon filing with the Commission.<sup>10</sup>

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 necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### 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 [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-EDGX-2011-35 on the subject line.

##### Paper comments:

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EDGX-2011-35. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your

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<sup>10</sup> For the purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

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 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; 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-EDGX-2011-35 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>11</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).