SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-62053; File No. SR-ISE-2010-35)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Adopt a Fee Waiver for its PrecISE Terminals

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, notice is hereby given that on April 26, 2010, the International Securities Exchange, LLC (the "Exchange" or the "ISE") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission the proposed rule change, as described in Items I, II, and III below, which items 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

The ISE is proposing to amend its Schedule of Fees by adopting a fee waiver. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site (<a href="http://www.ise.com">http://www.ise.com</a>), at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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 self-regulatory organization 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

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

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

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

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this proposed rule change is to adopt a limited fee waiver for PrecISE Trade<sup>®</sup> ("PrecISE"), the Exchange's proprietary front-end order routing terminal used by Electronic Access Members ("EAM") and sponsored customers<sup>3</sup> of an EAM to send order flow to ISE. The Exchange currently charges \$350 per user per month for the first 10 users of an EAM and \$100 per user per month for all subsequent users. The Exchange also has a PrecISE sponsored customer fee of \$350 per sponsored customer per month for the first 10 users and \$100 per sponsored customer per month for all subsequent users.

In order to give new users time to become familiar and fully acclimated with all of the functionality that PrecISE offers, we proposes [sic] to adopt a fee waiver applicable to all new users of PrecISE. Specifically, we propose to waive our PrecISE fees for the first two months for all new EAM and sponsored customer users. The proposed fee waivers are based on ISE's billing period, which begins on the 16th of each month and ends on the 15th of the following month. So if a new user begins using a PrecISE Trade terminal on May 16th, that user's PrecISE fees would be waived from May 16 – July 15, i.e., two billing periods. And if a new user begins using a PrecISE Trade terminal on May 18th, that user's PrecISE fees would similarly be waived

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A "Sponsored Customer" is a non-Member of the Exchange that trades under a sponsoring Member's execution and clearing identity, pursuant to ISE Rule 706, Supplementary Material .01.

from May 18 – July 15.4

These proposed fee changes will be operative on May 3, 2010.

### 2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The basis under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") for this proposed rule change is the requirement under Section 6(b)(4) that an exchange have an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities. In particular, the proposed rule change will serve as an incentive for EAMs and their sponsored customers to use PrecISE as an additional trading tool on their trading desks.

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

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.

## 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 members or other interested parties.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) of the Act<sup>5</sup>

and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)<sup>6</sup> thereunder. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule

See email from Samir Patel, Assistant General Counsel, ISE, to Richard Holley III, Senior Special Counsel, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated May 3, 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

change, the Commission may summarily abrogate 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 <a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>); or
- Send an E-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File No. SR-ISE-2010-35 on the subject line.

#### <u>Paper comments</u>:

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Station Place, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2010-35. 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 (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>). 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

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available for Web site viewing and printing 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 such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the ISE. 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-ISE-2010-35 and should be submitted by [insert date 21 days from the date of publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>7</sup>

Florence E. Harmon Deputy Secretary

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).