EXHIBIT 5

Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is underlined; proposed deletions are in brackets.

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Text of Proposed Changes to NASD Rule 2320

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2300. TRANSACTIONS WITH CUSTOMERS

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2320. BEST EXECUTION AND INTERPOSITIONING

- (a) through (e) No Change.
- (f)(1) No Change.
- (2) Members that display priced quotations on a real-time basis for a non-exchange-listed security in two or more quotation mediums that permit quotation updates on a real-time basis must display the same priced quotations for the security in each medium, except with respect to a priced quotation that represents a customer limit order displayed on an electronic communications network in conformance with the exception to FINRA Rule 6460 provided in paragraph (b)(5) of that rule.
 - (3) through (5) No Change.

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Text of Proposed Changes to FINRA Rules

6000. QUOTATION AND TRANSACTION REPORTING FACILITIES

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6400. QUOTING AND TRADING IN OTC EQUITY SECURITIES

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6430. OTC Equity Quotation Requirements

<u>6431.</u> Recording of Quotation Information

(a) through (f) No Change.

[6440] 6432. Compliance with the Information Requirements of SEA Rule 15c2-11 (a) through (d) No Change.

[6450] 6433. Minimum Quotation Size Requirements For OTC Equity Securities
No Change to rule text.

6434. Minimum Pricing Increment for OTC Equity Securities

- (a) No member shall display, rank, or accept a bid or offer, an order, or an indication of interest in any OTC Equity Security priced in an increment smaller than \$0.01 if that bid or offer, order or indication of interest is priced equal to or greater than \$1.00 per share.
- (b) No member shall display, rank, or accept a bid or offer, an order, or an indication of interest in any OTC Equity Security priced in an increment smaller than \$0.0001 if that bid or offer, order or indication of interest is priced less than \$1.00 per share except, where an order or indication of interest is priced less than \$0.0001, a member may rank or accept (but not display) such order or indication of interest in an increment of \$0.000001 or greater.

[6470] <u>6435</u>. Withdrawal of Quotations in an OTC Equity Security in Compliance with SEC Regulation M

(a) through (b) No Change.

6437. Prohibition from Locking or Crossing Quotations in OTC Equity Securities

- (a) Members must implement policies and procedures that reasonably avoid displaying, or engaging in a pattern or practice of displaying, locking or crossing quotations in any OTC Equity Security.
 - (b) For purposes of this Rule, the following definitions shall apply:
 - (1) The term "crossing quotation" shall mean the display of a bid for an OTC Equity Security at a price that is higher than the displayed price of an offer for such OTC Equity Security in the same inter-dealer quotation system, or the display of an offer for an OTC Equity Security at a price that is lower than the displayed price of a bid for such OTC Equity Security in the same inter-dealer quotation system.
 - (2) The term "locking quotation" shall mean the display of a bid for an OTC Equity Security at a price that equals the displayed price of an offer for such OTC Equity Security in the same inter-dealer quotation system, or the display of an offer for an OTC Equity Security at a price that equals the displayed price of a bid for such OTC Equity Security in the same inter-dealer quotation system.

[6460] <u>6440</u>. Trading and Quotation Halt in OTC Equity Securities

(a) through (c) No Change.

• • • Supplementary Material: -----

.01 FINRA may impose a trading and quotation halt in an OTC Equity Security pursuant to Rule [6460] 6440(a)(3) where FINRA determines, in its discretion, based on the facts and circumstances of the particular event, that halting trading in the security is the appropriate mechanism to protect investors and ensure a fair and orderly marketplace. As

a general matter, FINRA does not favor imposing a trading and quotation halt in an OTC Equity Security and will exercise this authority in very limited circumstances.

.02 In determining whether to impose a trading halt under Rule [6460] 6440(a)(3), FINRA will consider several factors in making its determination, including but not limited to: (1) the material nature of the event; (2) the material facts surrounding the event are undisputed and not in conflict; (3) the event has caused widespread confusion in the trading of the security; (4) there has been a material negative effect on the market for the subject security; (5) the potential exists for a major disruption to the marketplace; (6) there is significant uncertainty in the settlement and clearance process for the security; and/or (7) such other factors as FINRA deems relevant in making its determination. FINRA may review all or some of these factors as it determines appropriate.

6450. Restrictions on Access Fees

A member shall not impose, nor permit to be imposed, non-subscriber access or post-transaction fees against its published quotation in any OTC Equity Security that exceed or accumulate to more than:

- (a) \$0.003 per share, if the published quotation is priced equal to or greater than \$1.00; or
- (b) the lesser of 0.3% of the published quotation price on a per share basis or 30% of the minimum pricing increment under Rule 6434 relevant to the display of the quotation on a per share basis if the published quotation is less than \$1.00.

6460. Display of Customer Limit Orders

- (a) Each OTC Market Maker displaying a priced quotation in any OTC Equity

 Security in an inter-dealer quotation system shall publish immediately a bid or offer that reflects:
 - (1) The price and the full size of each customer limit order held by the

 OTC Market Maker that is at a price that would improve the bid or offer of such

 OTC Market Maker in such security; and
 - (2) The full size of each customer limit order held by the OTC Market Maker that:
 - (A) Is priced equal to the bid or offer of such OTC Market Maker for such security;
 - (B) Is priced equal to the best bid or best offer of the inter-dealer quotation system in which the OTC Market Maker is quoting; and
 - (C) Represents more than a de minimis change in relation to the size associated with the OTC Market Maker's bid or offer.
- (b) The requirements in paragraph (a) of this Rule shall not apply to any customer limit order:
 - (1) That is executed upon receipt of the order.
 - (2) That is placed by a customer who expressly requests, either at the time that the order is placed or prior thereto pursuant to an individually negotiated agreement with respect to such customer's orders, that the order not be displayed.
 - (3) That is an odd-lot order.

- (4) That is a block size order, unless a customer placing such order requests that the order be displayed.
- (5) That is delivered immediately upon receipt to a national securities exchange or an electronic communications network that widely disseminates such order and that complies with paragraph (c) below with respect to that order.
- (6) That is delivered immediately upon receipt to another OTC Market

 Maker that complies with the requirements of this Rule with respect to that order.
 - (7) That is an all-or-none order.
 - (8) That is priced less than \$0.0001 per share.
- (c) The electronic communications network:
- (1) Provides to a national securities exchange, national securities

 association or inter-dealer quotation system the prices and sizes of the orders at
 the highest buy price and the lowest sell price for such security entered in, and
 widely disseminated by, the electronic communications network; and
- (2) Provides, to any broker or dealer, the ability to effect a transaction with a priced order widely disseminated by the electronic communications network entered therein by an OTC market maker that is:
 - (A) Equivalent to the ability of any broker or dealer to effect a transaction with an OTC market maker pursuant to the rules of the applicable national securities exchange, national securities association or inter-dealer quotation system to which the electronic communications network supplies such bids and offers; and

(B) At the price of the highest priced buy order or lowest priced sell order, or better, for the lesser of the cumulative size of such priced orders entered therein by OTC market makers at such price, or the size of the execution sought by the broker or dealer, for such security.

(d) Definitions.

For purposes of this Rule, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) Best bid and best offer mean the highest priced bid and the lowest priced offer.
- (2) Block size with respect to an order means it is of at least 10,000 shares and has a market value of at least \$100,000.
- (3) Customer limit order means an order to buy or sell an OTC Equity

 Security at a specified price that is not for the account of either a broker or dealer;

 provided, however, that the term customer limit order shall include an order

 transmitted by a broker or dealer on behalf of a customer.

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6500. OTC BULLETIN BOARD® SERVICE

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6540. Requirements Applicable to Market Makers

(a) Market-maker participation in the OTCBB is voluntary and open to any FINRA member firm that satisfies the financial/operational requirements applicable to member firms engaged in over-the-counter market making; subscribes to the service designated by FINRA that permits OTCBB quotations; and demonstrates compliance with (or qualifies for an exception or exemption from) SEA Rule 15c2-11 at the time of

initiating (or resuming) the quotation of any OTCBB-eligible security in the Service.

Rule <u>6432</u> [6440] sets forth the procedure for demonstrating compliance with SEA Rule 15c2-11.

- (b) No Change.
- (c) [A participating ATS or ECN shall reflect non-subscriber access or post-transaction fees in the ATS's or ECN's posted quote in the OTC Bulletin Board montage.]
- [(d)] OTCBB-eligible securities that meet the frequency-of-quotation requirement for the so called "piggyback" exception in SEA Rule 15c2-11(f)(3)(i) are identified in the Service as "active" securities. A member can commence market making in any active security by registering as a market maker through the service designated by FINRA that permits OTCBB quotations. In all other instances, a member must follow the procedure contained in this Rule to become qualified as a market maker in a particular OTCBB-eligible security.

(1) Permissible Quotation Entries

- (A) No Change.
- (B) A priced bid and/or offer entered into the Service for a domestic equity security must be firm up to the minimum quotation size specified in Rule <u>6433</u>[6450]. This firmness requirement applies only during normal business hours, i.e., 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
 - (C) No Change.
- (2) through (5) No Change.
- [(e)] (d) Compliance with Market Maker Requirements

Failure of a member or a person associated with a member to comply with this Rule may be considered conduct inconsistent with high standards of commercial honor and just and equitable principles of trade, in violation of Rule 2010.

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