SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Rule 7.5

November 18, 2025.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")² and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,³ notice is hereby given that on September 25, 2025, New York Stock Exchange LLC ("NYSE" or the "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 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 Exchange proposes to amend Rule 7.5 (Trading Units) to conform with a recent amendment to the definition of round lot under Regulation NMS. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at www.nyse.com and at the principal office of the Exchange.

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 those statements may be examined at the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Rule 7.5 (Trading Units) to conform with the definition of round lot under Regulation NMS ("Reg NMS") that is to be implemented in November 2025.⁴

Background and Proposed Rule Change

Rule 7.5 defines a "round lot" as 100 shares, unless specified by a primary listing market to be fewer than 100 shares. Under Rule 7.5, any amount less than a round lot constitutes an "odd lot," and any amount greater than a round lot that is not a multiple of a round lot constitutes a "mixed lot."

In 2020, the Commission amended Reg NMS to modernize the NMS information provided within the national market system for the benefit of market participants and to better achieve Section 11A's goals of assuring "the availability to brokers, dealers, and investors of information with respect to quotations for and transactions in securities that is prompt, accurate, reliable, and fair" (the "MDI Rules"). These changes included an amendment to Rule 600 of Reg NMS to include a definition of "round lot" that assigns each NMS stock to a round lot size based on the stock's average closing price.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 101070 (September 18, 2024), 89 FR 81620 (October 8, 2024) (S7-30-22) ("Release No. 101070").

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 90610 (December 9, 2020), 86 FR 18596 (April 9, 2021) (File No. S7-03-20) ("MDI Adopting Release").

As part of the amendments to certain Reg NMS rules in 2024, the Commission revised the round lot and odd-lot definitions adopted in 2020 under the MDI Rules and accelerated the compliance date for the amended definitions.⁶ Rule 600(b)(93) under Reg NMS defines a round lot and provides that for NMS stocks that have an average closing price on the primary listing exchange during the prior evaluation period of: (1) \$250.00 or less per share, a round lot is 100 shares; (2) \$250.01 to \$1,000.00 per share, a round lot is 40 shares; (3) \$1,000.01 to \$10,000.00 per share, a round lot is 10 shares; and (4) \$10,000.01 or more per share, a round lot is 1 share.⁷ The round lot definition will be implemented on the first business day of November 2025.⁸

In anticipation of the upcoming compliance date, the Exchange proposes to amend its definition of round lot to reflect the definition of round lot under Reg NMS. To effectuate this change, the Exchange would replace "specified by the primary listing market" with "required by the definition of 'round lot' under Regulation NMS." As proposed, the second sentence of Rule 7.5 would read "A 'round lot' is 100 shares, unless required by the definition of 'round lot' under Regulation NMS to be fewer than 100 shares." The Exchange does not propose any other changes to Rule 7.5.

Implementation Date

The Exchange proposes that the rule change would become operative on November 3, 2025, the same date as the compliance deadline for the updated definition of round lot under Reg NMS is to be implemented.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of

⁶ See Release 01070, 89 FR at 81680.

⁷ See 17 CFR 242.600(b)(93).

⁸ See Release No. No. 101070, 89 FR at 81666.

the Act, 9 in general, and furthers the objectives of Section $6(b)(1)^{10}$ in particular, in that it enables the Exchange to be so organized as to have the capacity to be able to carry out the purposes of the Act and to comply, and to enforce compliance by its exchange members and persons associated with its exchange members, with the provisions of the Act, the rules and regulations thereunder, and the rules of the Exchange. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section $6(b)(5)^{11}$ of the Act in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, 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.

As discussed above, the Exchange proposes to amend Rule 7.5 to conform with the definition of round lot under Reg NMS that is to be implemented in November 2025. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change would increase the clarity and transparency of the Exchange's rules and remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market by ensuring that the Exchange's rules properly reflect the requirements of Rule 600 of Reg NMS. The Exchange also believes that the proposed rule change would remove impediments to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market by ensuring that persons subject to the Exchange's jurisdiction, regulators, and the investing public can more easily navigate and understand the Exchange's rules. The proposed rule change would not be inconsistent with the public interest and the protection of investors because investors will not be harmed and in fact would benefit from the increased transparency and clarity, thereby reducing

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(1).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

potential confusion. The Exchange accordingly believes that the proposed rule change does not raise any new or novel issues not previously considered by the Commission.

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 burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is not intended to address competitive issues but rather is concerned solely with updating the Exchange's definition of round lot to reflect the definition of that term in Reg NMS in anticipation of the upcoming compliance deadline in November 2025.

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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act¹² and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹³ Because the 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 prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹⁵ thereunder.

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

¹³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)

Rule 19b-4(f)(6). 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, along with a brief description and text of 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.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B)¹⁶ of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change 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
 (https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include file number SR-NYSE-2025-38 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-NYSE-2025-38. 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 (https://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml). Copies

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¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

of the filing will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. Do not include personal identifiable information in submissions; you should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. We may redact in part or withhold entirely from publication submitted material that is obscene or subject to copyright protection. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NYSE-2025-38 and should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 21 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁷

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¹⁷ CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).