SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-55897; File No. SR-ISE-2007-41)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Non-ISE Market Maker Fees

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 June 1, 2007, the International Securities Exchange, LLC ("ISE" or "Exchange") submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been substantially prepared by ISE. ISE has designated this proposal as one establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the self-regulatory organization under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁴ which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. 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> Rule Change

The ISE is proposing to amend its Schedule of Fees to increase the fee for non-ISE market maker orders ("FARMM orders") from \$0.19 per contract to \$0.40 per contract.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on ISE's Web site at http://www.iseoptions.com/legal/proposed_rule_changes.asp, at the principal office of ISE, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

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, ISE 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. ISE 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 increase the execution fee for FARMM orders. FARMM orders are orders that are sent to the Exchange for execution by an Electronic Access Member ("EAM"), an ISE member, on behalf of a non-ISE market maker. The Exchange currently charges FARMM orders \$0.19 per contract comprised of an execution fee and a comparison fee of \$0.16 and \$0.03 per contract, respectively. FARMM orders do not include Linkage Orders. The Exchange proposes to increase the fee for all FARMM orders to \$0.40 per contract, comprised of an execution fee and a comparison fee of \$0.37 and \$0.03 per contract, respectively. The Exchange believes that the proposed increase to the execution fee will still leave ISE as one of the least expensive venues for executing FARMM orders through an electronic trading system.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53630 (April 11, 2006), 71 FR 19918 (April 18, 2006) (SR-ISE-2006-18).

The Exchange notes that the American Stock Exchange imposes a "Non-Member Market Maker" fee of \$.50 per contract side for Auto-Ex FARMM orders, and the Philadelphia Stock Exchange imposes a "Broker/Dealer" fee of \$.45 per contract for AUTOM-delivered FARMM orders. Telephone conversation between Samir Patel, Assistant

2. Statutory Basis

The basis under the Act for this proposed rule change is the requirement under Section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁷ that an exchange have an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among exchange members and other persons using its facilities.

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.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule 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 written comments from members or other interested parties.

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 Act⁸ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder,⁹ because it establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by the Exchange.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such proposed rule 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.

General Counsel, ISE, Richard Holley, Senior Special Counsel, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, and Rahman Harrison, Special Counsel, Division of Market Regulation, Commission on June 7, 2007.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

^{9 17} CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

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. Please include File Number SR-ISE-2007 41 on the subject line.

Paper comments

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2007-41. 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 (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 inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. 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-2007-41 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority. 10

Nancy M. Morris Secretary

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¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).