The text of the proposed rule change is below. Proposed new language is underlined; deletions are bracketed.

4756. Entry and Display of Quotes and Orders

(a) Entry of Orders—Participants can enter orders into the System, subject to the following requirements and conditions:

(1) – (2) No change.

(3) Orders can be entered into the System (or previously entered orders cancelled or modified) from 4:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Participants may modify a previously entered order without cancelling it or affecting the priority of the order on the book solely for the purpose of modifying the marking of a sell order as long, short, or short exempt; provided, however, that if an order is redesignated as short, a Short Sale Period is in effect under Rule 4763, and the order is not priced at a Permitted Price or higher under Rule 4763(e), the order will be cancelled. In addition, a partial cancellation of an order to reduce its share size will not affect the priority of the order on the book. [Except as provided in Rule 4761, a] All other modifications of orders will result in the replacement of the original order with a new order with a new time stamp.

(b) Entry [or] of Quotes—Nasdaq Market Makers and Nasdaq ECNs can enter Quotes into the System from 4:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. [When open,] Quotes will be processed [as System Hours GTC Orders (SGTC)] as Attributable Orders, with such time-in-force designation as the Nasdaq Market Maker or Nasdaq ECN may assign. [Nasdaq Market Makers and Nasdaq ECNs may elect to utilize the Automatic Quote Refresh functionality.] Entry of Quotes will be subject to the requirements and conditions set forth in section (a) above.

(c) No change.

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4761. [Adjustment of Open Quotes and/or Orders] Issuer Corporate Actions Related to a Dividend, Payment or Distribution

The Nasdaq Market Center will automatically cancel [adjust the price and/or size of] open quotes and/or orders in all Nasdaq Market Center eligible securities [(unless otherwise noted)] resident in the system in response to issuer corporate actions related to a dividend, payment or distribution, immediately prior to the opening of the System at 4:00 a.m. on the ex-date of such actions, except where a cash dividend or distribution is less than one cent ($0.01), as follows:

(a) Quotes — All bid and offer side quotes shall be purged from the system.

(b) Sell Orders — Sell side orders in Nasdaq-listed and NYSE-listed securities shall not be adjusted by the system and must be modified, if desired, by the entering party, except for reverse
splits where such sell side orders shall be purged from the system. Sell side orders in Amex-listed securities shall be adjusted in accordance with the procedures set forth below for Buy Orders in the event of a Stock Dividend or Stock Split.

(c) Buy Orders — Buy side orders shall be adjusted by the system based on the particular corporate action impacting the security (i.e. cash dividend, stock dividend, both, stock split, reverse split) as set forth below:

(1) Odd lot orders in non-Nasdaq listed securities that result from partial execution rather than order entry shall be cancelled rather than adjusted.

(2) Cash Dividends: Buy side order prices shall be first reduced by the dividend amount and the resulting price will then be rounded down to the nearest penny unless marked "Do Not Reduce".

(3) Stock Dividends and Stock Splits: Buy side order prices shall be determined by first rounding up the dollar value of the stock dividend or split to the nearest penny. The resulting amount shall then be subtracted from the price of the buy order. Unless marked "Do Not Increase", the size of the order shall be increased by first, (A) multiplying the size of the original order by the numerator of the ratio of the dividend or split, then (B) dividing that result by the denominator of the ratio of the dividend or split, then (C) rounding that result to the next lowest share.

(4) Dividends Payable in Either Cash or Securities at the Option of the Stockholder: Buy side order prices shall be reduced by the dollar value of either the cash or securities, whichever is greater. The dollar value of the cash shall be determined using the formula in paragraph (2) above, while the dollar value of the securities shall be determined using the formula in paragraph (3) above. If the stockholder opts to receive securities, the size of the order shall be increased pursuant to the formula in subparagraph (3) above.

(5) Combined Cash and Stock Dividends/Split: In the case of a combined cash dividend and stock split/dividend, the cash dividend portion shall be calculated first as per section (1) above, and stock portion thereafter pursuant to sections (2) and/or (3) above.

(6) Reverse Splits: All orders (buy and sell) shall be cancelled and returned to the entering firm.

(d) Open buy and sell orders that are adjusted by the system pursuant to the above rules, and that thereafter continuously remain in the system, shall retain the time priority of their original entry.

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