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#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 For complete Form 19b-4 instructions please refer to the EFFS website. The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a Form 19b-4 Information \* clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal Remove is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act. The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change \* in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Add Remove View Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO] -xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3) The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication **Exhibit 1A- Notice of Proposed Rule** in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies \* guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO] -xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change, security-based swap submission, or advance notice being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3) Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such Transcripts, Other Communications documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G. Remove View Add Exhibit Sent As Paper Document П Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is Add Remove View referred to by the proposed rule change. Exhibit Sent As Paper Document The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and **Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies** deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit Add Remove View the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working. **Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text** The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part Add Remove View of the proposed rule change. If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy **Partial Amendment** proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial

amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

#### 1. <u>Text of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") a proposed rule change to update cross-references and make other non-substantive changes within FINRA rules, due in part to the adoption of a new consolidated FINRA rule.

The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

#### 2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The Chief Legal Officer of FINRA authorized the filing of the proposed rule change with the SEC pursuant to delegated authority. No other action by FINRA is necessary for the filing of the proposed rule change.

FINRA has filed the proposed rule change for immediate effectiveness and has requested that the SEC waive the requirement that the proposed rule change not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, so that FINRA can implement the proposed rule change to coincide with effective dates of the affected rules. The implementation date for the proposed changes to FINRA Rules 2320 and 6630, Funding Portal Rule 100, and the proposed deletion of the NASD Rule 2800 Series heading and NASD Rule 2870 will be July 9, 2016.<sup>2</sup> The implementation date for the changes to

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

See note 5 for additional detail.

FINRA Rules 6191 and 7440 will be October 3, 2016 and August 1, 2016, respectively, to coincide with the implementation date of the rules.<sup>3</sup>

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

#### (a) Purpose

FINRA has been developing a consolidated rulebook ("Consolidated FINRA Rulebook").<sup>4</sup> That process involves FINRA submitting to the Commission for approval a series of proposed rule changes over time to adopt rules in the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook. The phased adoption and implementation of those rules necessitates periodic amendments to update rule cross-references and other non-substantive changes in the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook.

The proposed rule change would make some of those changes, as well as other non-substantive changes unrelated to the adoption of rules in the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook.

First, the proposed rule change would update rule cross-references to reflect the adoption of a consolidated investment company securities rule. On June 9, 2016, FINRA filed with the SEC a proposed rule change, for immediate effectiveness, to adopt NASD Rule 2830 as FINRA Rule 2341 (Investment Company Securities), without any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See notes 7 and 8 for additional detail.

The current FINRA rulebook consists of (1) FINRA Rules; (2) NASD Rules; and (3) rules incorporated from NYSE ("Incorporated NYSE Rules") (together, the NASD Rules and Incorporated NYSE Rules are referred to as the "Transitional Rulebook"). While the NASD Rules generally apply to all FINRA members, the Incorporated NYSE Rules apply only to those members of FINRA that are also members of the NYSE ("Dual Members"). The FINRA Rules apply to all FINRA members, unless such rules have a more limited application by their terms. For more information about the rulebook consolidation process, see Information Notice, March 12, 2008 (Rulebook Consolidation Process).

substantive changes. As part of that rule filing, FINRA also deleted in its entirety NASD Rule 2830.<sup>5</sup> Rule 2341 will be implemented on July 9, 2016. As such, the proposed rule change would update references to the new rule number in FINRA Rules 2320 (Variable Contracts of an Insurance Company) and 6630 (Applicability of FINRA Rules to Securities Previously Designated as PORTAL Securities). The proposed rule change further would delete from the FINRA Manual the heading for the NASD Rule 2800 Series (Special Products) and the placeholder for NASD Rule 2870 (Reserved) to reflect that the NASD Rule 2800 Series<sup>6</sup> has fully been consolidated into the FINRA rules.

Second, the proposed rule change would make technical changes to FINRA Rules 6191 (Compliance with Regulation NMS Plan to Implement a Tick Size Pilot Program)<sup>7</sup> and 7440 (Recording of Order Information)<sup>8</sup> to reflect FINRA Manual style convention changes and correct paragraph numbering. FINRA would also merge the Supplementary Material in Rule 6191(a) with and into the Supplementary Material in Rule 6191(b) to reflect FINRA Manual style convention.<sup>9</sup>

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 78130 (June 22, 2016), 81 FR 42016 (June 28, 2016) (Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of File No. SR-FINRA-2016-019).

See <u>supra</u> note 5.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 77164 (February 17, 2016), 81 FR 9043 (February 23, 2016) (Order Approving File No. SR-FINRA-2015-048); see also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 77218 (February 23, 2016), 81 FR 10290 (February 29, 2016) (Order Approving File No. SR-FINRA-2015-047).

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Finally, the proposed rule change would also delete from FINRA Funding Portal Rule 100 the reference to FINRA Dispute Resolution, Inc. to reflect the merger of FINRA Dispute Resolution, Inc. into and with FINRA.<sup>10</sup>

As noted in Item 2 of this filing, FINRA has filed the proposed rule change for immediate effectiveness and has requested that the SEC waive the requirement that the proposed rule change not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, so that FINRA can implement the proposed rule change to coincide with the effective dates of the affected rules. The implementation date for the proposed changes to FINRA Rules 2320 and 6630, Funding Portal Rule 100, and the proposed deletion of the NASD Rule 2800 Series heading and NASD Rule 2870 will be July 9, 2016. The implementation date for the changes to FINRA Rules 6191 and 7440 will be October 3, 2016 and August 1, 2016, respectively, to coincide with the implementation date of the rules.

#### (b) Statutory Basis

FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,<sup>11</sup> which requires, among other things, that FINRA rules must be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. FINRA believes the proposed rule change will provide greater clarity to members and the public regarding FINRA's rules.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 76670 (December 16, 2015), 80 FR
 79632 (December 22, 2015) (Order Approving File No. SR-FINRA-2015-034).

<sup>15</sup> U.S.C. 78o-3(b)(6).

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

FINRA does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change brings clarity and consistency to FINRA rules without adding any burden on firms.

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

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

#### **Extension of Time Period for Commission Action**

Not applicable.

# 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) or Section 19(b)(7)(D)</u>

The proposed rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>13</sup> in that the proposed rule change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; does not impose any significant burden on competition; and does not become operative for 30 days after filing or such shorter time as the Commission may designate.

FINRA requests that the Commission waive the requirement that the rule change, by its terms, not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing as set forth in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii), <sup>14</sup> so that FINRA can implement the proposed rule change to coincide with the effective dates of the affected rules. In accordance with Rule 19b-

<sup>15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

4(f)(6),<sup>15</sup> FINRA submitted 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, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, as specified in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act.<sup>16</sup>

# 8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission

Not applicable.

# 9. <u>Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act</u> Not applicable.

## 10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

#### 11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1. Completed notice of proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>.

Exhibit 5. Text of the proposed rule change.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

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#### EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-FINRA-2016-026)

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Update Rule Cross-References and Make Non-Substantive Technical Changes to Certain FINRA Rules

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on , Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by FINRA. FINRA has designated the proposed rule change as constituting a "non-controversial" rule change under paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 under the Act,<sup>3</sup> which renders the proposal effective upon receipt of this filing by 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 Rule Change</u>

FINRA is proposing to update cross-references and make other non-substantive changes within FINRA rules, due in part to the adoption of a new consolidated FINRA rule.

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

The text of the proposed rule change is available on FINRA's website at <a href="http://www.finra.org">http://www.finra.org</a>, at the principal office of FINRA and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

In its filing with the Commission, FINRA 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. FINRA 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</u>
  <u>Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>
- 1. Purpose

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

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

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

Because the foregoing 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 for 30 days from the date on which it was filed,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78<u>o</u>-3(b)(6).

or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>13</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the 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 to determine whether the proposed rule 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 (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number
   SR-FINRA-2016-026 on the subject line.

#### Paper Comments:

Send paper comments in triplicate to Robert W. Errett, Deputy Secretary,
 Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2016-026. 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 website (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 website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. 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-FINRA-2016-026 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>14</sup>

Robert W. Errett Deputy Secretary

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#### **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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#### **FINRA Rules**

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#### 2300. SPECIAL PRODUCTS

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#### 2320. Variable Contracts of an Insurance Company

#### (a) Application

This Rule shall apply exclusively (and in lieu of [NASD] Rule <u>2341</u>[2830]) to the activities of members in connection with variable contracts, to the extent such activities are subject to regulation under the federal securities laws.

(b) through (g) No Change.

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#### 6100. QUOTING AND TRADING IN NMS STOCKS

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### 6191. Compliance with Regulation NMS Plan to Implement a Tick Size Pilot Program

- (a) Compliance with Quoting and Trading Restrictions
  - (1) through (6) No Change.
  - (7) Operation of Certain Exceptions to Tick Size Pilot Program
    - (A) No Change.

(B) A member relying on an exception to the Trade-At Prohibition for a transaction otherwise than on a national securities exchange must include all applicable modifiers in trade reports pursuant to Rules 6282, 6380A and 6380B.

#### [(B)](C) Trade-at Requirement

"Trade-at Intermarket Sweep Order" means a limit order for a Pilot Security that meets the following requirements:

- (i) When routed to a Trading Center, the limit order is identified as a Trade-at Intermarket Sweep Order; and
- (ii) Simultaneously with the routing of the limit order identified as a Trade-at Intermarket Sweep Order, one of more additional limit orders, as necessary, are routed to execute against the full size of any protected bid, in the case of a limit order to sell, or the full displayed size of any protected offer, in the case of a limit order to buy, for the Pilot Security with a price that is better than or equal to the limit price of the limit order identified as a Trade-at Intermarket Sweep Order. These additional routed orders also must be marked as Trade-at Intermarket Sweep Orders.

#### [••• Supplementary Material: -----]

[.01 The terms used in this Rule 6191 shall have the same meaning as provided in the Plan, unless otherwise specified.]

- [.02 No member shall break an order into smaller orders or otherwise effect or execute an order to evade the requirements of the Trade-at Prohibition of this Rule or any other provisions of the Plan.]
- [.03 This Rule shall be in effect during a pilot period to coincide with the pilot period for the Plan (including any extensions to the pilot period for the Plan).]

#### (b) Compliance with Data Collection Requirements

(1) through (3) No Change.

#### (4) Market Maker Profitability

- (A) No Change.
- (B) FINRA shall collect the data required by Item I of Appendix C to the Plan and paragraph (b)(4)(A) above and, on a monthly basis, transmit such data, categorized by the Control Group and each Test Group, to the SEC in a pipe delimited format. The data transmitted to the SEC shall include the profitability statistics categorized by Market Maker and by security. FINRA also shall make aggregated data required by Item I of Appendix C to the Plan, and collected pursuant to <u>paragraph</u> (b)(4)(A) above, categorized by the Control Group and each Test Group, publicly available on the FINRA web site on a monthly basis at no charge and shall not identify the Market Makers that generated the data or the individual securities.
- (5) No Change.

• • • Supplementary Material: -----

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- <u>.03</u> For purposes of the reporting requirement in Appendix B.II.(n), a Trading Center shall report "Y" when it is relying upon the Retail Investor Order exception to Test Groups Two and Three, and "N" in all other instances.
- .04[3] For purposes of Appendix B.I, the field "Affected by Limit-Up Limit-Down bands" shall be included. A Trading Center shall report a value of "Y" when the ability of an order to execute has been affected by the Limit-Up Limit-Down (LULD) bands in effect at the time of order receipt. A Trading Center shall report a value of "N" when the ability of an order to execute has not been affected by the LULD bands in effect at the time of order receipt. For purposes of Appendix B.I, the Participants shall classify all orders in Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as fully executed domestically or fully or partially executed on a foreign market. For purposes of Appendix B.II, the Participants shall classify all orders in Pilot and Pre-Pilot Securities that may trade in a foreign market as: directed to a domestic venue for execution; may only be directed to a foreign venue for execution; or fully or partially directed to a foreign venue at the discretion of the member.
- .05[4] For purposes of Appendix B.I.a(14), B.I.a(15), B.I.a(21) and B.I.a(22), the time ranges shall be changed as follows:

- (a) Appendix B.I.a(14A): The cumulative number of shares of orders executed from 100 microseconds to less than 1 millisecond after the time of order receipt;
- (b) Appendix B.I.a(15): The cumulative number of shares of orders executed from 1 millisecond to less than 100 milliseconds after the time of order receipt;
- (c) Appendix B.I.a(21A): The cumulative number of shares of orders canceled from 100 microseconds to less than 1 millisecond after the time of order receipt; and
- (d) Appendix B.I.a(22): The cumulative number of shares of orders canceled from 1 millisecond to less than 100 milliseconds after the time of order receipt.
- .06[5] The requirement in Appendix B.I.a(33) relating to the share-weighted average BBO Spread also shall apply to a Trading Center that displays on the ADF.
- **.07**[6] For purposes of Appendix B.I.a(31)–(33), the relevant measurement is the time of order receipt.
- .08[7] For purposes of Appendix B.I.a(33), only a Trading Center that is displaying in its own name as a Trading Center when executing an order shall enter a value in this field.
- .09[8] For purposes of Appendix B, the following order types and numbers shall be included and assigned the following numbers: "not held" orders (18); clean cross orders (19); auction orders (20); and orders that cannot otherwise be classified, including orders received when the NBBO is crossed (21).
- .10[9] A Member shall not be deemed a Trading Center for purposes of Appendix B of the Plan where that Member only executes orders otherwise than on a national securities exchange for the purpose of: (1) correcting a bona fide error related to the execution of a customer order; (2) purchasing a security from a customer at a nominal price solely for

purposes of liquidating the customer's position; or (3) completing the fractional share portion of an order.

.11[0] A Trading Center shall begin the data collection required pursuant to Appendix B.I.a(1) through B.II.(y) to the Plan and Item I of Appendix C to the Plan on April 4, 2016. The requirement that FINRA provide information to the SEC within 30 days following month end and make certain data publicly available on the FINRA website pursuant to Appendix B and C to the Plan shall commence at the beginning of the Pilot Period.

.12[1] For purposes of Item I of Appendix C, the Participants shall calculate daily Market Maker realized profitability statistics for each trading day on a daily last in, first out (LIFO) basis using reported trade price and shall include only trades executed on the subject trading day. The daily LIFO calculation shall not include any positions carried over from previous trading days. For purposes of Item I.c of Appendix C, the Participants shall calculate daily Market Maker unrealized profitability statistics for each trading day on an average price basis. Specifically, the Participants must calculate the volume weighted average price of the excess (deficit) of buy volume over sell volume for the current trading day using reported trade price. The gain (loss) of the excess (deficit) of buy volume over sell volume shall be determined by using the volume weighted average price compared to the closing price of the security as reported by the primary listing exchange. In calculating unrealized trading profits, the Participant also shall report the number of excess (deficit) shares held by the Market Maker, the volume weighted average price of that excess (deficit), and the closing price of the security as reported by the primary listing exchange used in reporting unrealized profit.

Participants for purposes of the data collection requirements described in Items I, II and IV of Appendix B and Item I of Appendix C to the Plan for the period beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period and ending on the trading day immediately preceding the Pilot Period. The Participants shall compile the list of Pre-Pilot Data Collection Securities by selecting all NMS stocks with a market capitalization of \$5 billion or less, a Consolidated Average Daily Volume (CADV) of 2 million shares or less and a closing price of \$1 per share or more. The market capitalization and the closing price thresholds shall be applied to the last day of the Pre-Pilot measurement period, and the CADV threshold shall be applied to the duration of the Pre-Pilot measurement period. The Pre-Pilot measurement period shall be the three calendar months ending on the day when the Pre-Pilot Data Collection Securities are selected. The Pre-Pilot Data Collection Securities shall be selected thirty days prior to the commencement of the six-month Pre-Pilot Period.

.14[3] This Rule shall be in effect during a pilot period to coincide with the pilot period for the Plan (including any extensions to the pilot period for the Plan).

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#### 6600. OTC REPORTING FACILITY

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# 6630. Applicability of FINRA Rules to Securities Previously Designated as PORTAL Securities

(a) through (c) No Change.

- (d) The following are not applicable to transactions and business activities relating to PORTAL securities:
  - (1) [NASD Rule 2830, and ]FINRA Rules 2310, 2320, <u>2341</u>, 2360, 4210, 4320, 4560, 5110, 5130, and 5141.

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#### 7400. ORDER AUDIT TRAIL SYSTEM

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#### 7440. Recording of Order Information

- (a) No Change.
- (b) Order Origination and Receipt

Unless otherwise indicated, the following order information must be recorded under this Rule when an order is received or originated. For purposes of this Rule, the order origination or receipt time is the time the order is received from the customer.

- (1) through (18) No Change.
- (19) when the Reporting Member receives an order from a U.S.-registered broker-dealer that is not a member, or from a non-U.S.-registered broker-dealer that is not a member but has received an SRO-assigned identifier for purposes of accessing a FINRA facility pursuant to Rule 7220A or 7320, identification of such broker-dealer by providing an SRO-assigned identifier assigned to the broker-dealer or the number assigned to the broker-dealer in the Central Registration Depository system;
- (20) if the member is relying on the exception provided in Rule 5320.02 with respect to the order, the unique identification of any appropriate information

barriers in place at the department within the member where the order was received or originated; and

[(20)](21) if a Reporting Member operates a Trading Center for purposes of Rule 6191, the information required by paragraph (b)(2)(A)(ii) of Rule 6191.

(c) through (d) No Change.

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#### **FUNDING PORTAL Rule**

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#### 100. General Standards

- (a) No Change.
- (b) **Definitions**

When used in the Funding Portal Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) through (3) No Change
- (4) "FINRA"

The term "FINRA" means, collectively, FINRA, Inc.[,] and FINRA
Regulation, Inc. [and FINRA Dispute Resolution, Inc.]

(5) through (11) No Change.

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#### **NASD Rules**

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[2800. SPECIAL PRODUCTS]

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