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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"),¹ Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") a proposed rule change to amend FINRA Rule 7730 to make available a new End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File.

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

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

2. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

At its meeting on March 8, 2017, the FINRA Board of Governors authorized the filing of the proposed rule change with the SEC. No other action by FINRA is necessary for the filing of the proposed rule change.

If the Commission approves the proposed rule change, FINRA will announce the effective date of the proposed rule change in a <u>Regulatory Notice</u>. The effective date will be no later than 365 days following SEC approval.

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

(a) Purpose

Rule 7730 (Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine (TRACE)), among other things, sets forth the TRACE data products offered by FINRA in connection with

15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

TRACE-Eligible Securities.² FINRA is proposing to amend Rule 7730 to make available a new End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File to provide interested parties with a simpler means of receiving all of the transaction information disseminated each trading day as part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data.³

The data elements to be included in the proposed End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would be the same as those disseminated in Real-Time TRACE transaction data, and the proposed End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would be separately available for each data set for which Real-Time TRACE transaction data is available (<u>i.e.</u>, the Corporate Bond Data Set, Agency Data Set, SP Data Set, and Rule 144A Data Set). Subscribers to the End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would access the product daily after the TRACE system closes.⁴

² Rule 6710 (Definitions) provides that a "TRACE-Eligible Security" is a debt security that is United States ("U.S.") dollar-denominated and issued by a U.S. or foreign private issuer, and, if a "restricted security" as defined in Securities Act Rule 144(a)(3), sold pursuant to Securities Act Rule 144A; or is a debt security that is U.S. dollar-denominated and issued or guaranteed by an Agency as defined in paragraph (k) or a Government-Sponsored Enterprise as defined in paragraph (n); or a U.S. Treasury Security as defined in paragraph (p). "TRACE-Eligible Security" does not include a debt security that is issued by a foreign sovereign or a Money Market Instrument as defined in paragraph (o).

³ FINRA currently makes available a Real-Time TRACE transaction data product, which provides subscribers with access to all disseminated transactions as they are reported throughout the trading day. Real-time data is delivered via a NASDAQ Multicast feed. To receive the feed, firms must connect either directly to NASDAQ, via an extranet connection, or through a retransmission vendor. Some market participants have indicated that a simpler alternative that allows them to receive transaction information once a day in an end-of-day file would be useful.

⁴ FINRA intends to establish a fee for the End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File prior to the effective date of the instant proposed rule change. The fee will be established pursuant to a separate rule filing.

As noted in Item 2 of this filing, if the Commission approves the proposed rule change, FINRA will announce the effective date of the proposed rule change in a <u>Regulatory Notice</u>. The effective date will be no later than 365 days following SEC approval.

(b) Statutory Basis

FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,⁵ 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.

Pursuant to the proposal, FINRA would make available to subscribers an optional End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File that would include all transaction data disseminated that day as part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data for TRACE-Eligible Securities. FINRA believes that the proposed End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File provides a simpler alternative to the Real-Time TRACE transaction data product, which provides transparency information on the price and size of transactions in TRACE-Eligible Securities, and may be useful to interested parties that do not require intra-day, real-time transaction data on TRACE-Eligible Securities. Thus, FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is in the public interest and consistent with the Act.

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

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

FINRA does not believe that the proposed rule change would result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

Economic Impact Analysis

FINRA's existing Real-Time TRACE data product provides transaction data for the following Data Sets: Corporate Bond Data Set, Agency Data Set, SP Data Set, and Rule 144A Data Set. As detailed above, FINRA is proposing to create an End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File that would include all transaction data disseminated that day as part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data, and would be separately available for each data set for which Real-Time TRACE transaction data is available. The proposal to create an End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would not impose any additional reporting requirements or costs on firms, and the purchase of TRACE data products would continue to be optional for market participants and others and, as a result, would have no direct impact on firms.

5. <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.

6. <u>Extension of Time Period for Commission Action</u>

FINRA does not consent at this time to an extension of the time period for

Commission action specified in Section 19(b)(2) of the Act.⁶

15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

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

Not applicable.

8. <u>Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory</u> <u>Organization or of the Commission</u>

Not applicable.

9. <u>Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act</u>

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

11. <u>Exhibits</u>

Exhibit 1. Completed notice of proposed rule change for publication in the

Federal Register.

Exhibit 5. Text of the proposed rule change.

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-FINRA-2017-015)

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change to Amend FINRA Rule 7730 to Make Available a New End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File

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 , 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. 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</u> <u>Proposed Rule Change</u>

FINRA is proposing to amend FINRA Rule 7730 to make available a new End-

of-Day TRACE Transaction File.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on FINRA's website at

http://www.finra.org, 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

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

Rule 7730 (Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine (TRACE)), among other

things, sets forth the TRACE data products offered by FINRA in connection with

TRACE-Eligible Securities.³ FINRA is proposing to amend Rule 7730 to make available

a new End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File to provide interested parties with a simpler

means of receiving all of the transaction information disseminated each trading day as

part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data.⁴

The data elements to be included in the proposed End-of-Day TRACE

Transaction File would be the same as those disseminated in Real-Time TRACE

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transaction data, and the proposed End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would be separately available for each data set for which Real-Time TRACE transaction data is available (<u>i.e.</u>, the Corporate Bond Data Set, Agency Data Set, SP Data Set, and Rule 144A Data Set). Subscribers to the End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would access the product daily after the TRACE system closes.⁵

If the Commission approves the proposed rule change, FINRA will announce the effective date of the proposed rule change in a <u>Regulatory Notice</u>. The effective date will be no later than 365 days following SEC approval.

2. Statutory Basis

FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,⁶ 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.

Pursuant to the proposal, FINRA would make available to subscribers an optional End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File that would include all transaction data disseminated that day as part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data for TRACE-Eligible Securities. FINRA believes that the proposed End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File provides a simpler alternative to the Real-Time TRACE transaction data product, which provides transparency information on the price and size of transactions in TRACE-

⁵ FINRA intends to establish a fee for the End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File prior to the effective date of the instant proposed rule change. The fee will be established pursuant to a separate rule filing.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78<u>o</u>-3(b)(6).

Eligible Securities, and may be useful to interested parties that do not require intra-day, real-time transaction data on TRACE-Eligible Securities. Thus, FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is in the public interest and consistent with the Act.

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

FINRA does not believe that the proposed rule change would result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

Economic Impact Analysis

FINRA's existing Real-Time TRACE data product provides transaction data for the following Data Sets: Corporate Bond Data Set, Agency Data Set, SP Data Set, and Rule 144A Data Set. As detailed above, FINRA is proposing to create an End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File that would include all transaction data disseminated that day as part of Real-Time TRACE transaction data, and would be separately available for each data set for which Real-Time TRACE transaction data is available. The proposal to create an End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File would not impose any additional reporting requirements or costs on firms, and the purchase of TRACE data products would continue to be optional for market participants and others and, as a result, would have no direct impact on firms.

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. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

(A) by order approve or disapprove such proposed rule change, or

(B) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should

be 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 (<u>http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</u>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-FINRA-2017-015 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.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2017-015. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process

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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-2017-015 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.⁷

Robert W. Errett Deputy Secretary

¹⁷ CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is underlined.

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7000. CLEARING, TRANSACTION AND ORDER DATA REQUIREMENTS, AND FACILITY CHARGES

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7700. CHARGES FOR OTC REPORTING FACILITY, OTC BULLETIN BOARD AND TRADE REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE ENGINE SERVICES

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7730. Trade Reporting and Compliance Engine (TRACE)

The following charges shall be paid by participants for the use of the Trade

Reporting and Compliance Engine ("TRACE"):

System Fees	Transaction Reporting Fees	Data Fees
No Change to cha		

(a) through (f) No Change.

(g) Definitions

(1) through (5) No Change.

(6) "End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File" as used in Rule 7730 means a daily file that includes all transaction data disseminated as part of Real-Time <u>TRACE transaction data on that day and is separately available for each data set</u> for which Real-Time TRACE transaction data is available (i.e., the Corporate Bond Data Set, Agency Data Set, SP Data Set, and Rule 144A Data Set). The

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End-of-Day TRACE Transaction File is made available daily after the TRACE

system closes.

(h) No Change.

¹ No Change.

² No Change.

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