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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NASDAQ OMX BX Inc.; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on Proposed Rule Change to Amend and Restate Certain Rules that Govern the NASDAQ OMX BX Equities Market

On March 20, 2015, NASDAQ OMX BX, Inc. (“BX”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend and restate certain BX rules that govern the BX Equities Market in order to provide a clearer and more detailed description of certain aspects of its functionality. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on April 6, 2015.³ The Commission received no comment letters regarding the proposed rule change.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁴ provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day for this filing is May 21, 2015.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 74617 (March 31, 2015), 80 FR 18473.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

The Commission is extending the 45-day time period for Commission action on the proposed rule change. The Commission finds that it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act⁵ and for the reasons stated above, the Commission designates July 5, 2015, as the date by which the Commission should either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁶

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⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).