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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
Form 19b-4

File No. \* SR 2021 - \* 43

Amendment No. (req. for Amendments \*)

Filing by New York Stock Exchange LLC

Pursuant to Rule 19b-4 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Notice of proposed change pursuant to the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Act of 2010  
Section 806(e)(1) \*

Section 806(e)(2) \*

Security-Based Swap Submission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Section 3C(b)(2) \*

Exhibit 2 Sent As Paper Document

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**Description**

Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked \*).

The New York Stock Exchange LLC proposes to amend the provisions of Section 314.00 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual

**Contact Information**

Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.

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Telephone \* (212) 646-5640 Fax (212) 656-2028

**Signature**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange of 1934, New York Stock Exchange LLC has duty caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duty authorized.

Date 08/19/2021

(Title \*)

By Martha Redding

Assistant Secretary

(Name \*)

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The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.

**Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change \***

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The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication 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 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)

**Exhibit 1A - Notice of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advanced Notice by Clearing Agencies \***

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**Exhibit 2- Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications**

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Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G.

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**Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire**

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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 referred to by the proposed rule change.

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**Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies**

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The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit 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**

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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 of the proposed rule change

**Partial Amendment**

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If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy 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. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

- (a) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> New York Stock Exchange LLC (the “NYSE” or the “Exchange”) proposes to amend the provisions of Section 314.00 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual (“Manual”) in relation to the review and approval of related party transactions.

The text of the proposed rule change is set forth in Exhibit 5 attached hereto.

- (b) The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change would have any direct effect, or any significant indirect effect, on any other Exchange rule in effect at the time of this filing.
- (c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

Senior management has approved the proposed rule change pursuant to authority delegated to it by the Board of the Exchange. No further action is required under the Exchange’s governing documents. Therefore, the Exchange’s internal procedures with respect to the proposed rule change are complete.

The person on the Exchange staff prepared to respond to questions and comments on the proposed rule change is:

John Carey  
Senior Director  
NYSE Group, Inc.  
(212) 656-5640

3. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

- (a) Purpose

Section 314.00 of the Manual provides that a company’s audit committee or another independent body of the board of directors, shall conduct a reasonable prior review and oversight of all related party transactions for potential conflicts of interest and will prohibit such a transaction if it determines it to be inconsistent with the interests of the company and its shareholders. For purposes of this rule,

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

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

the term "related party transaction" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K under the Act (but without applying the transaction value threshold of that provision). In the case of foreign private issuers, the term "related party transactions" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 7.B of Form 20-F (but without regard to the materiality threshold of that provision).

Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F set forth the SEC's requirements for the disclosure of related party transactions by domestic issuers and foreign private issuers respectively. Related party transaction disclosures are required in a number of SEC filings, including annual reports and, in the case of domestic issuers, annual meeting proxy statements. Item 404 of Regulation S-K requires disclosure of a related party transaction when the amount involved in such transaction exceeds \$120,000.<sup>3</sup> Item 7.B of Form 20-F requires disclosure of transactions that are "material to the company or the related party, or any transactions that are unusual in their nature or conditions" and also of the amount of outstanding loans (including guarantees of any kind) made by the company, its parent or any of its subsidiaries to or for the benefit of a related party. The Exchange proposes to amend Section 314.00 to provide that the review and approval requirement of that rule will be applicable only to transactions that are required to be disclosed after taking into account the transaction value and materiality thresholds set forth in Item 404 of Regulation S-K or Item 7.B of Form 20-F, respectively, as applicable.

The Exchange recently amended Section 314.00 to provide greater clarity as to the types of transactions that were specifically subject to review and approval under the rule.<sup>4</sup> In adopting that amendment to Section 314.00, the Exchange sought to create greater clarity and certainty for issuers by specifying that the transactions subject to review would be those that were required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K or Form 20-F, Item 7.B, as applicable. However, the Exchange also specified in that amendment that related party transactions would be subject to review without regard to the transaction value or materiality thresholds included in the SEC's disclosure rules.

In the period since the adoption of that amendment, it has become clear to the Exchange that the amended rule's exclusion of the applicable transaction value and materiality thresholds is inconsistent with the historical practice of many listed companies, and has had unintended consequences. The Exchange has learned that many listed companies have had a longstanding understanding that they were required to subject related party transactions to the review process

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<sup>3</sup> Item 404(c) separately sets forth the application of Item 404 to promoters and certain control persons. Item 404(d) separately sets forth the application of Item 404 to smaller reporting companies.

<sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 91471 (April 2, 2021); 86 FR 18362 (April 8, 2021) (SR-NYSE-2020-85).

required by Section 314.00 only if such transactions exceeded any applicable transaction value or materiality thresholds in the applicable SEC rules and therefore were required to be disclosed. This approach is embodied in the written related party transaction policies of many listed companies and is typically a part of the annual questionnaire completed by directors and officers in connection with the company's annual meeting. By not permitting the use of transaction value and materiality thresholds, the amendment to Section 314.00 has had the unintended effect of disrupting the normal course transactions of listed companies. Because of the amendment, many companies have been required to adopt for the first time two separate standards for related party transactions -- one for disclosure and another for review and approval of transactions. This has created a significant compliance burden for issuers with respect to small transactions that are considered immaterial for purposes of other regulatory requirements. Furthermore, the Exchange believes that the review and approval of large numbers of immaterial transactions is not an effective use of the time of independent directors who have many other time-consuming oversight obligations with respect to matters that are higher risk and more material to the company.

The Exchange notes that domestic listed companies are also required to comply with the requirements of Section 303A of the Manual with respect to director independence, including the bright line independence tests set forth in Section 303A.02(b). This proposal does not seek in any way to modify listed companies' obligation to comply with the independence requirements of Section 303A or listed companies' obligations to make disclosures to the Exchange with respect to their compliance with those obligations.

(b) Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

The Exchange believes that it is consistent with the protection of investors to amend Section 314.00 to conform the related party transactions that are subject to the review and approval requirements of Section 314.00 to those transactions that are subject to the applicable requirements of Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F. In adopting the applicable provisions of Regulation S-K and Form 20-F, the SEC determined which related party transactions must be publicly disclosed. The Exchange believes it is therefore consistent with the protection of

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<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

investors to apply the same standards in determining which transactions should be subject to review and approval under Section 314.00. The Exchange notes that the Nasdaq Stock Market takes such an approach in its rule with respect to the review of related party transactions, which requires the review of transactions subject to disclosure under Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F, including the transaction value and materiality thresholds of those regulations.<sup>6</sup>

4. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

*Intramarket Competition.*

All companies listed on the NYSE will be subject to the amended form of Section 314.00. Therefore, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed amendment will have any meaningful effect on the competition among issuers listed on the Exchange.

*Intermarket Competition.*

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide for an efficient and transparent framework for the review and approval of related party transactions at all listed companies. As such, it is focused solely on corporate governance and is not intended to confer any commercial or competitive benefit on NYSE listed companies. In addition, the proposal substantively conforms Section 314.00 to the related party transaction approval rule of Nasdaq, the other primary listing venue for operating companies in the United States. For the foregoing reasons, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed amendment will have any meaningful effect on intermarket competition for the listing of operating companies.

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

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

The Exchange does not consent at this time to an extension of any time period for Commission action.

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<sup>6</sup> See Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5630.

7. Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2)

The proposed rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>8</sup>

The Exchange asserts that the proposed rule change (i) will not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) will not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, will not become operative prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. Additionally, the Exchange provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and the text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of the filing, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission.

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will not significantly affect the protection of investors and the public interest because it is consistent with the protection of investors to amend Section 314.00 to conform the related party transactions that are subject to the review and approval requirements of Section 314.00 to those transactions that are subject to the applicable requirements of Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F., as well as the related party transaction requirements under the comparable Nasdaq rule.

For the foregoing reasons, this rule filing qualifies for immediate effectiveness as a “non-controversial” rule change under paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4.<sup>9</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.

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

The proposal is based on Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5630.

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

Not applicable.

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<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1 – Form of Notice of Proposed Rule Change for Federal Register

Exhibit 5 – Proposed Rule Text

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-NYSE-2021-43

[Date]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Amending the provisions of Section 314.00 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)<sup>1</sup> of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act”)<sup>2</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>3</sup> notice is hereby given that on August 19, 2021, New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE” or the “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the self-regulatory organization. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend the provisions of Section 314.00 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual (“Manual”) in relation to the review and approval of related party transactions. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at [www.nyse.com](http://www.nyse.com), at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

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

<sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78a.

<sup>3</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the self-regulatory organization 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 those statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant parts of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

Section 314.00 of the Manual provides that a company's audit committee or another independent body of the board of directors, shall conduct a reasonable prior review and oversight of all related party transactions for potential conflicts of interest and will prohibit such a transaction if it determines it to be inconsistent with the interests of the company and its shareholders. For purposes of this rule, the term "related party transaction" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K under the Act (but without applying the transaction value threshold of that provision). In the case of foreign private issuers, the term "related party transactions" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 7.B of Form 20-F (but without regard to the materiality threshold of that provision).

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a number of SEC filings, including annual reports and, in the case of domestic issuers, annual meeting proxy statements. Item 404 of Regulation S-K requires disclosure of a related party transaction when the amount involved in such transaction exceeds \$120,000.<sup>4</sup> Item 7.B of Form 20-F requires disclosure of transactions that are “material to the company or the related party, or any transactions that are unusual in their nature or conditions” and also of the amount of outstanding loans (including guarantees of any kind) made by the company, its parent or any of its subsidiaries to or for the benefit of a related party. The Exchange proposes to amend Section 314.00 to provide that the review and approval requirement of that rule will be applicable only to transactions that are required to be disclosed after taking into account the transaction value and materiality thresholds set forth in Item 404 of Regulation S-K or Item 7.B of Form 20-F, respectively, as applicable.

The Exchange recently amended Section 314.00 to provide greater clarity as to the types of transactions that were specifically subject to review and approval under the rule.<sup>5</sup> In adopting that amendment to Section 314.00, the Exchange sought to create greater clarity and certainty for issuers by specifying that the transactions subject to review would be those that were required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K or Form 20-F, Item 7.B, as applicable. However, the Exchange also specified in that amendment that related party transactions would be subject to review without regard to the transaction value or materiality thresholds included in the SEC’s

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disclosure rules.

In the period since the adoption of that amendment, it has become clear to the Exchange that the amended rule's exclusion of the applicable transaction value and materiality thresholds is inconsistent with the historical practice of many listed companies, and has had unintended consequences. The Exchange has learned that many listed companies have had a longstanding understanding that they were required to subject related party transactions to the review process required by Section 314.00 only if such transactions exceeded any applicable transaction value or materiality thresholds in the applicable SEC rules and therefore were required to be disclosed. This approach is embodied in the written related party transaction policies of many listed companies and is typically a part of the annual questionnaire completed by directors and officers in connection with the company's annual meeting. By not permitting the use of transaction value and materiality thresholds, the amendment to Section 314.00 has had the unintended effect of disrupting the normal course transactions of listed companies. Because of the amendment, many companies have been required to adopt for the first time two separate standards for related party transactions -- one for disclosure and another for review and approval of transactions. This has created a significant compliance burden for issuers with respect to small transactions that are considered immaterial for purposes of other regulatory requirements. Furthermore, the Exchange believes that the review and approval of large numbers of immaterial transactions is not an effective use of the time of independent directors who have many other time-consuming oversight obligations with respect to matters that are higher risk and more material to the company.

The Exchange notes that domestic listed companies are also required to comply with the requirements of Section 303A of the Manual with respect to director independence, including the bright line independence tests set forth in Section 303A.02(b). This proposal does not seek in any way to modify listed companies' obligation to comply with the independence requirements of Section 303A or listed companies' obligations to make disclosures to the Exchange with respect to their compliance with those obligations.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest and is not designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

The Exchange believes that it is consistent with the protection of investors to amend Section 314.00 to conform the related party transactions that are subject to the review and approval requirements of Section 314.00 to those transactions that are subject to the applicable requirements of Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F. In adopting the applicable provisions of Regulation S-K and Form 20-F, the SEC determined which related party transactions must be publicly disclosed. The Exchange

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<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

believes it is therefore consistent with the protection of investors to apply the same standards in determining which transactions should be subject to review and approval under Section 314.00. The Exchange notes that the Nasdaq Stock Market takes such an approach in its rule with respect to the review of related party transactions, which requires the review of transactions subject to disclosure under Item 404 of Regulation S-K and Item 7.B of Form 20-F, including the transaction value and materiality thresholds of those regulations.<sup>7</sup>

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

*Intramarket Competition.*

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<sup>7</sup> See Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5630.

companies in the United States. For the foregoing reasons, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed amendment will have any meaningful effect on intermarket competition for the listing of operating companies.

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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act<sup>8</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>9</sup> Because the 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 prior to 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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 under Section

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<sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

19(b)(2)(B)<sup>10</sup> of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change 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 [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-NYSE-2021-43 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2021-43. 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

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<sup>10</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

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 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2021-43 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>11</sup>

Eduardo A. Aleman  
Deputy Secretary

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<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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314.00 Related Party Transactions

A company's audit committee or another independent body of the board of directors, shall conduct a reasonable prior review and oversight of all related party transactions for potential conflicts of interest and will prohibit such a transaction if it determines it to be inconsistent with the interests of the company and its shareholders. For purposes of this rule, the term "related party transaction" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404 of Regulation S-K under the Securities Exchange Act [(but without applying the transaction value threshold of that provision)]. In the case of foreign private issuers, the term "related party transactions" refers to transactions required to be disclosed pursuant to Form 20-F, Item 7.B [(but without regard to the materiality threshold of that provision)].

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