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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. Add Remove View 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 Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) under the Securities

Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), <sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>2</sup> Investors Exchange LLC

("IEX" or "Exchange") is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission

("Commission") a proposed rule change to amend IEX Rule 16.160 related to derivative securities traded under unlisted trading privileges ("UTP") to remove the requirement in Rule 16.160(a)(1) for the Exchange to file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) for each "new derivative securities product" as defined in Rule 19b-4(e) under the Act<sup>3</sup> (a "Derivative Security") traded under UTP and renumber the remaining provisions of Rule 16.160(a) to maintain an organized rule structure. The Exchange has designated this rule change as "non-controversial" under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>4</sup> and provided the Commission with the notice required by Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>5</sup>

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

- (b) The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will 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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 17 CRF 240.19b-4(e).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(e).

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 persons on the Exchange staff prepared to respond to questions and comments on the proposed rule change are:

Claudia Crowley Chief Regulatory Officer Investors Exchange LLC 646-343-2041 Sophia Lee General Counsel Investors Exchange LLC 646-343-2040

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

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend Rule 16.160 related to derivative securities traded under UTP by removing the requirement in Rule 16.160(a)(1) for the Exchange to file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) for each Derivative Security, and renumbering the remaining rules of Rule 16.160(a) to maintain an organized rule structure, as described below.

Rule 16.160(a)(1) sets forth the requirement for IEX to file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) with respect to each Derivative Security that is traded under UTP. However, IEX believes that it should not be necessary to file a Form 19b-4(e) with the Commission if it begins trading a Derivative Security on a UTP basis, because Rule 19b-4(e)(1) under the Act refers to the "listing and trading" of a "new derivative securities product." The Exchange believes that the requirements of that rule refers to when an exchange lists and trades a Derivative Security, and not when an exchange seeks only to

trade such product on a UTP basis pursuant to Rule 12f-2 under the Act.<sup>6</sup> Therefore, IEX proposes to delete the requirement in current Rule 16.160(a)(1) for IEX to file a Form 19b-4(e) with the Commission with respect to each Derivative Security it begins trading on a UTP basis. In addition, as a result of the deletion of current Rule 16.160(a)(1) IEX proposes to renumber current Rules 16.160(a)(2)-(6), as Rules 16.160(a)(1)-(5) respectively.

### b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

IEX believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6(b)<sup>7</sup> of the Act in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>8</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, 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. Specifically, eliminating the requirement to file a Form 19b-4(e) for each Derivative Security the Exchange begins trading on a UTP basis removes an unnecessary regulatory requirement thereby providing for a more efficient process for adding Derivative Securities to trading on the Exchange on a UTP basis.

In addition, the Exchange notes that a substantially identical proposed rule change by NYSE National, Inc. ("NYSE National") was recently approved by the Commission.<sup>9</sup> In particular, the Commission noted in the approval order that it "believes that the filing of a Form 19b-4(e) is not required when an Exchange is trading a new derivative

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 240.12f-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 83289 (May 17, 2018), 83 FR 23968 (May 23, 2018) (Order Approving File No. SR-NYSENAT-2018-02).

securities product on a UTP basis only"<sup>10</sup> and also found that the NYSE National's proposed rule change is "consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act."<sup>11</sup>

With respect to the renumbering of current Rules 16.160(a)(2)-(6) as Rule 11.160(a)(1)-(5), the Exchange believes that these changes are consistent with the Act because they will allow the Exchange to maintain a clear and organized rule structure, thus preventing investor confusion.

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

IEX 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. To the contrary, removing the requirement to file a Form 19b-4(e) will serve to enhance competition by providing for the efficient addition of Derivative Securities for trading under UTP on IEX. To the extent that a competitor marketplace believes that the proposed rule change places it at a competitive disadvantage, it may file with the Commission a proposed rule change to adopt the same or similar rule.

In addition, the proposal to renumber the current Rules 16.160(a)(2)-(6) as Rules 16.160(a)(1)-(5) does not impact competition in any respect since it merely maintains a clear and organized rule structure.

 Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others
 Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

# Extension of Time Period for Commission Action Not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See supra note 9 at page 23975.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See supra note 9 at page 23976.

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

The Exchange has designated this rule filing as non-controversial under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>12</sup> and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>13</sup> The Exchange asserts that the proposed rule change: (1) will not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest, (2) will not impose any significant burden on competition, (3) and will not become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate. In addition, the Exchange provided the Commission with 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.<sup>14</sup>

The Exchange believes that this filing is non-controversial because it raises no novel issues and is consistent with NYSE National rules previously approved by the Commission. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that this proposed rule change is eligible for immediately effective treatment under the Commission's current procedures for processing rule filings. 16

The Exchange respectfully requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay period after which a proposed rule change under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) becomes effective. Waiving the 30-day delay would permit the Exchange to more efficiently add Derivative Securities to the Exchange under UTP without the unnecessary requirement to file a 19b-4(e) with the Commission, as described herein, upon

<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).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See supra note 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58092 (July 3, 2008), 73 FR 40144 (July 11, 2008) (concerning 17 CFR 200 and 241).

effectiveness of the proposed rule filing. As IEX is adopting a rule that is substantially identical to a similar NYSE National rule, the proposed change does not present any new or novel issues.

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: (i) necessary or appropriate in the public interest; (ii) for the protection of investors; or (iii) 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.

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

The proposed rule change is based on NYSE National Rule 5, as described in the Purpose section.

- Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section3 C of the Act
   Not applicable.
- 10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act
- 11. Exhibits

Not applicable.

Exhibit 1 – Form of Notice of the Proposed Rule Change for Publication in the Federal Register.

Exhibit 5 – Text of Proposed Rule Change.

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34 - ); File No. SR-IEX-2018-14)

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Investors Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Amend Rule 16.106 to Remove Form 19b-4(e) Filing Requirement.

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 (date), the Investors Exchange LLC ("IEX" 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), <sup>4</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>5</sup> IEX is filing with the Commission a proposed rule change to amend IEX Rule 16.160 related to derivative securities traded under unlisted trading privileges ("UTP") to remove the requirement in Rule 16.160(a)(1) for the Exchange to file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) for each "new derivative"

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 17 CRF 240.19b-4.

securities product" as defined in Rule 19b-4(e) under the Act<sup>6</sup> (a "Derivative Security") traded under UTP and renumber the remaining provisions of Rule 16.160(a) to maintain an organized rule structure. The Exchange has designated this rule change as "non-controversial" under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>7</sup> and provided the Commission with the notice required by Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Exchange's website at www.iextrading.com, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

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 these statement may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization 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 the</u> Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### 1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend Rule 16.160 related to derivative securities traded under UTP by removing the requirement in Rule 16.160(a)(1) for the Exchange to file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) for each Derivative Security, and renumbering the remaining rules of Rule 16.160(a) to maintain an organized rule structure, as described below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 17 CRF 240.19b-4(e).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(e).

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#### 2. Statutory Basis

IEX believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6(b)<sup>10</sup> of the Act in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>11</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, 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. Specifically, eliminating the requirement to file a Form 19b-4(e) for each Derivative Security the Exchange begins trading on a UTP basis removes an unnecessary regulatory requirement thereby providing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.12f-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

for a more efficient process for adding Derivative Securities to trading on the Exchange on a UTP basis.

In addition, the Exchange notes that a substantially identical proposed rule change by NYSE National, Inc. ("NYSE National") was recently approved by the Commission. <sup>12</sup> In particular, the Commission noted in the approval order that it "believes that the filing of a Form 19b-4(e) is not required when an Exchange is trading a new derivative securities product on a UTP basis only" and also found that the NYSE National's proposed rule change is "consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act." <sup>14</sup>

With respect to the renumbering of current Rules 16.160(a)(2)-(6) as Rule 11.160(a)(1)-(5), the Exchange believes that these changes are consistent with the Act because they will allow the Exchange to maintain a clear and organized rule structure, thus preventing investor confusion.

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IEX 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. To the contrary, removing the requirement to file a Form 19b-4(e) will serve to enhance competition by providing for the efficient addition of Derivative Securities for trading under UTP on IEX. To the extent that a competitor marketplace believes that the proposed rule change places it at a competitive disadvantage, it may file with the Commission a proposed rule change to adopt the same or similar rule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 83289 (May 17, 2018), 83 FR 23968 (May 23, 2018) (Order Approving File No. SR-NYSENAT-2018-02).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See supra note 12 at page 23975.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See supra note 12 at page 23976.

In addition, the proposal to renumber the current Rules 16.160(a)(2)-(6) as Rules 16.160(a)(1)-(5) does not impact competition in any respect since it merely maintains a clear and organized rule structure.

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 Action</u>

The Exchange has designated this rule filing as non-controversial under Section  $19(b)(3)(A)^{15}$  of the Act and Rule  $19b-4(f)(6)^{16}$  thereunder. 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 for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule  $19b-4(f)(6)^{17}$  normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii),  $^{18}$  the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay.

The Exchange respectfully requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay period after which a proposed rule change under Rule 19b-4(f)(6)

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

becomes effective. Waiving the 30-day delay would permit the Exchange to more efficiently add Derivative Securities to the Exchange under UTP without the unnecessary requirement to file a 19b-4(e) with the Commission, as described herein, upon effectiveness of the proposed rule filing. As IEX is adopting a rule that is substantially identical to a similar NYSE National rule, the proposed change does not present any new or novel issues.

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 under Section  $19(b)(2)(B)^{19}$  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
   (<u>http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</u>); or
- Send an email to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-IEX-2018-14 on the subject line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

#### Paper Comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-IEX-2018-14. This file number should be included in the subject line if email 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 Section, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. Copies of the filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the IEX's principal office and on its Internet website at www.iextrading.com. 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-IEX-2018-14 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>20</sup>

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#### Exhibit 5 – Text of Proposed Rule Change

Proposed new language is underlined; proposed deletions are in brackets.

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Rule 16.160. Derivative Securities Traded under Unlisted Trading Privileges

IEX may extend unlisted trading privileges to any security that is an NMS Stock (as defined in Rule 600 of Regulation NMS under the Act) that is listed on another national securities exchange. Any such security will be subject to all IEX trading rules applicable to NMS Stocks, unless otherwise noted, including provisions of IEX Rule 11.280, Chapter 14, and Chapter 16.

- (a) Any security that is a "new derivative securities product" as defined in Rule 19b-4(e) under the Act (a "UTP Derivative Security") and traded under unlisted trading privileges pursuant to Rule 19b-4(e) under the Act shall be subject to the additional following rules:
  - [(1) Form 19b-4(e). IEX shall file with the Commission a Form 19b-4(e) with respect to each UTP Derivative Security.]
  - [(2)](1) Information Circular. IEX shall distribute an information circular prior to the commencement of trading in each such UTP Derivative Security that generally includes the same information as contained in the information circular provided by the listing exchange, including: (a) the special risks of trading the new derivative securities product; (b) the Rules of IEX that will apply to the new derivative securities product, including Rule 3.170; (c) information about the dissemination of the value of the underlying assets or indexes; and (d) the applicable system hours for the UTP Derivative Security and the risks of trading during the period from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. due to the lack of calculation or dissemination of the underlying index value, the Intra-Day Indicative Value (as defined in IEX Rule 16.105(a)(3)(C)) or a similar value.
  - [(3)](2) Product Description.

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- [(4)](3) Trading Halts. Trading halts of UTP Derivative Securities shall be governed by IEX Rule 11.280, IEX Rule 16.170, or Supplementary Material .01(c) to IEX Rule 14.207.
- [(5)](4) Limitations on Market Makers. Market makers in a UTP Derivative Security that is a Commodity-Related Security (as defined in IEX Rule 16.127) shall comply with IEX Rule 16.127.
- [(6)](5) Surveillance. IEX shall enter into a comprehensive surveillance sharing agreement with markets trading components of the index or portfolio on which the UTP Derivative Security is

based to the same extent as the listing exchange's rules require the listing exchange to enter into a comprehensive surveillance sharing agreement with such markets.

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