# Protocol Specifications Now Available for Proposed NASDAQ BX



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### What you need to know:

- As announced in <u>Head Trader Alert #2007-205</u>, NASDAQ OMX entered into an agreement to acquire the Boston Stock Exchange and offer a second quote in U.S. equities.
- Specifications for "NASDAQ BX" order entry protocols are now available on the NASDAQ Trader website.

# Who you should contact:

NASDAQ Technical Support at 212.231.5180

#### What is NASDAQ BX?

As announced in <u>Head Trader Alert #2007-205</u>, NASDAQ OMX<sup>SM</sup> entered into an agreement to acquire the Boston Stock Exchange and related assets, which included a second SRO license. Following SEC approval, NASDAQ OMX intends to use the Boston equities SRO license to operate a second quote in the U.S. Equity space. The name of this second quote will be NASDAQ BX ("BX").

## What protocol specifications have been released for NASDAQ BX?

NASDAQ® has released the following protocol specifications for:

- OUCH 3.0
- INET FIX
- RASH

## How do I order ports to BX? What will the port availability include?

Complete the <u>Port Request Form</u> and contact <u>NASDAQ Subscriber Services</u> with questions at 212.231.5180.

### What do I need to do?

• Obtain the <u>protocol specifications</u> from the NASDAQ Trader® website.

# Where can I get additional information?

- Refer to the <u>NASDAQ BX page</u> on the NASDAQ Trader website.
- Refer to Head Trader Alert #2008-039.
- Contact NASDAQ Market Sales at 800.846.0477.
- Contact NASDAQ Technical Support at 212.231.5180.

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