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Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 23, 2013

# MarketAxess Holdings Inc.

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$ 

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-34091 (Commission 52-2230784 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
299 Park Avenue

Identification No.)

#### New York, New York 10171

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (212) 813-6000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On January 23, 2013, the Board of Directors (the Board ) of MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (the Company ), pursuant to a recommendation made by the Board s Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, approved and adopted Amendment No. 1 (the Amendment ) to the Company s Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws ). The Bylaws were amended to provide that in an uncontested election of directors (i.e., an election where the number of nominees does not exceed the number of directors to be elected at such meeting), members of the Board will be elected by a majority of the votes cast with respect to that director, rather than by plurality voting. Plurality voting is retained for contested elections. The Amendment took effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing description of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits:

3.1 Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC.

Date: January 25, 2013 By: /s/ Richard M. McVey

Name: Richard M. McVey
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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