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**Description**  
Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked \*).  
  
Amend Exchange Rule 100, 503, 515, 516, 517, 518, and 521 to update internal cross-references.

**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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**Signature**  
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
  
has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.  
(Title \*)  
Senior Associate Counsel

Date 12/19/2019  
By Gregory P. Ziegler  
(Name \*)

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**Form 19b-4 Information \***

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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 Advance 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.

**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.

**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) MIAX Emerald, LLC (“MIAX Emerald” or the “Exchange”), pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> proposes to amend Exchange Rule 100, Definitions; Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange; Exchange Rule 515, Execution of Orders and Quotes; Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined; Exchange Rule 517, Quote Types Defined; Exchange Rule 518, Complex Orders; and Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors.

Notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and the text of the proposed rule change is attached hereto as Exhibit 5.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

**2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization**

The proposed rule change was approved by the Chief Executive Officer of the Exchange pursuant to authority delegated by the MIAX Emerald Board of Directors on January 31, 2019. Exchange staff will advise the Board of Directors of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority. No other action by the Exchange is necessary for the filing of the proposed rule change.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to Gregory P. Ziegler, Senior Associate Counsel, at (609) 897-1483.

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

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

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

a. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 100, Definitions; Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange; Exchange Rule 515, Execution of Orders and Quotes; Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined; Exchange Rule 517, Quote Types Defined; Exchange Rule 518, Complex Orders; and Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors, to make minor non-substantive edits to update internal cross references in the Exchange's rulebook.

The Exchange is an affiliate of the Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC ("MIAX") and incorporates by reference a number of MIAX Exchange rules into its rulebook. The MIAX Exchange recently amended Rule 1400, Definitions, found in Chapter XIV of the MIAX Exchange rules, which are its rules pertaining to the Options Order Protection and Locked and Crossed Market Plan.<sup>3</sup> The MIAX Exchange adopted a definition for Complex Trade which, when inserted into its proper alphabetical position in MIAX Exchange Rule 1400, caused the subsequent following definitions to be renumbered (e.g., the existing subparagraph (d) became new subparagraph (e); existing subparagraph (e) became new subparagraph (f), etc...). As a result of the change to MIAX Exchange Rule 1400, a number of non-substantive amendments must be made to correct internal cross references within the Exchange's rulebook.

Specifically, the internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in the definition of ABBO or Away Best Bid or Offer, in Exchange Rule 100, must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). The internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in Exchange Rule 503(e)(1)(iii)

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<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 87693 (December 9, 2019), 84 FR 68264 (December 13, 2019) (SR-MIAX-2019-48).

must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). The internal cross-reference to Intermarket Sweep Orders in Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A)2. must be updated from Rule 1400(h) to Rule 1400(i). The internal cross-reference to the NBBO in Exchange Rule 515(a) must be updated from Rule 1400(j) to Rule 1400(k). The internal cross-reference to Intermarket Sweep Orders in Exchange Rule 516(f) must be updated from Rule 1400(h) to Rule 1400(i). Similarly in Rule 516(f) the internal cross-references to Protected Quotes and Eligible Exchanges must be updated from 1400(p) and (f) to 1400(q) and (g) respectively. Lastly, in Rule 516(f), the internal cross-reference to Protected Bid or Protected Offer must be updated from 1400(o) to 1400 (p). The internal cross-references to Protected Bid and Protected Offer in Exchange Rule 517(a)(2)(v) must be updated from 1400(o) to 1400(p). The internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in Exchange Rule 518(a)(1) must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). Finally, the internal cross-reference to the Options Order Protection and Locked/Crossed Market Plan in Exchange Rule 521(j) must be updated from Rule 1400(n) to Rule 1400(o).

The Exchange believes these changes add clarity and precision to the Exchange's rules.

b. Statutory Basis

MIAX Emerald believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>4</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>5</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 foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions

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<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

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

in, securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that the proposed non-substantive rule changes to update internal cross-references within the Exchange's Rules promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediments to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protects investors and the public interest by providing additional clarity and precision in the Exchange's rules. The Exchange believes it is in the public interest for rules to be accurate and precise so as to eliminate the potential for confusion.

#### **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.

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intermarket competition as the proposed change is non-substantive in nature. The non-substantive edits to update internal cross-references in the Exchange's rulebook provides precision and accuracy in the Exchange's rules.

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intramarket competition as the non-substantive edits to update internal cross-references in the Exchange's rulebook provide additional detail and clarity in the Exchange's rules, which apply equally to all Exchange Members.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> The term "Member" means an individual or organization approved to exercise the trading rights associate with a Trading Permit. Members are deemed "members" under the Exchange Act. See Exchange Rule 100.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

6. **Extension of Time Period for Commission Action**

Not applicable.

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

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>8</sup> thereunder, the Exchange has designated this proposal as one that effects a change that: (i) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

The Exchange's proposal does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest but rather the proposed non-substantive edits to update internal cross references in the Exchange's rulebook promotes the protection of investors and the public interest by adding improving the accuracy and precision of the Exchange's rules. The Exchange believes it is in the best interest of the public and investors for Exchange rules to be clear and concise so as to avoid the potential for confusion.

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change imposes any significant burden on competition as the proposed rule change consists of non-substantive edits to update internal cross-references within the Exchange's rulebook.

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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).

Therefore, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is well-suited for, and meets the standards applicable to, the Commission's treatment of non-controversial proposals under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>9</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>10</sup> Accordingly, for the reasons stated above, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is non-controversial and is therefore eligible for immediately effective treatment under the Commission's current procedures for processing rule filings.

Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement. Furthermore, a proposed rule change filed pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6) under the Act<sup>11</sup> normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of its filing. However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>12</sup> permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

The Exchange respectfully requests that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay period pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>13</sup> and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>14</sup> The Exchange believes that waiver is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because it would enable the Exchange to immediately harmonize its rules

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<sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>11</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>12</sup> Id.

<sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

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

to MIAX Options to ensure that the internal cross-references in the Exchange's rulebook are correct.

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 proposed rule change is based on the recent change to MIAX Exchange Rule 1400.<sup>15</sup>

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

**11. Exhibits**

1. Notice of proposed rule for publication in the Federal Register.

5. Text of proposed rule change.

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<sup>15</sup> See supra note 3.

**EXHIBIT 1**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EMERALD-2019-38)

December \_\_, 2019

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by MIAX Emerald, LLC to Amend Exchange Rule 100, Definitions; Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange; Exchange Rule 515, Execution of Orders and Quotes; Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined; Exchange Rule 517, Quote Types Defined; Exchange Rule 518, Complex Orders; and Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on December 19, 2019, MIAX Emerald, LLC (“MIAX Emerald” or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) a proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. 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 is filing a proposal to amend Exchange Rule 100, Definitions; Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange; Exchange Rule 515, Execution of Orders and Quotes; Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined; Exchange Rule 517, Quote Types Defined; Exchange Rule 518, Complex Orders; and Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors.

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

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

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at <http://www.miaxoptions.com/rule-filings/emerald> at MIAX Emerald's principal office, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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 Exchange 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 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 aspects of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 100, Definitions; Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange; Exchange Rule 515, Execution of Orders and Quotes; Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined; Exchange Rule 517, Quote Types Defined; Exchange Rule 518, Complex Orders; and Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors, to make minor non-substantive edits to update internal cross references in the Exchange's rulebook.

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and Crossed Market Plan.<sup>3</sup> The MIAX Exchange adopted a definition for Complex Trade which, when inserted into its proper alphabetical position in MIAX Exchange Rule 1400, caused the subsequent following definitions to be renumbered (e.g., the existing subparagraph (d) became new subparagraph (e); existing subparagraph (e) became new subparagraph (f), etc...). As a result of the change to MIAX Exchange Rule 1400, a number of non-substantive amendments must be made to correct internal cross references within the Exchange's rulebook.

Specifically, the internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in the definition of ABBO or Away Best Bid or Offer, in Exchange Rule 100, must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). The internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in Exchange Rule 503(e)(1)(iii) must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). The internal cross-reference to Intermarket Sweep Orders in Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A)2. must be updated from Rule 1400(h) to Rule 1400(i). The internal cross-reference to the NBBO in Exchange Rule 515(a) must be updated from Rule 1400(j) to Rule 1400(k). The internal cross-reference to Intermarket Sweep Orders in Exchange Rule 516(f) must be updated from Rule 1400(h) to Rule 1400(i). Similarly in Rule 516(f) the internal cross-references to Protected Quotes and Eligible Exchanges must be updated from 1400(p) and (f) to 1400(q) and (g) respectively. Lastly, in Rule 516(f), the internal cross-reference to Protected Bid or Protected Offer must be updated from 1400(o) to 1400 (p). The internal cross-references to Protected Bid and Protected Offer in Exchange Rule 517(a)(2)(v) must be updated from 1400(o) to 1400(p). The internal cross-reference to Eligible Exchanges in Exchange Rule 518(a)(1) must be updated from Rule 1400(f) to Rule 1400(g). Finally, the internal cross-reference to the Options Order Protection and Locked/Crossed Market Plan in Exchange Rule 521(j) must be updated from Rule 1400(n) to Rule 1400(o).

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<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 87693 (December 9, 2019), 84 FR 68264 (December 13, 2019) (SR-MIAX-2019-48).

The Exchange believes these changes add clarity and precision to the Exchange's rules.

2. Statutory Basis

MIAX Emerald believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>4</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>5</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 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 mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that the proposed non-substantive rule changes to update internal cross-references within the Exchange's Rules promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediments to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protects investors and the public interest by providing additional clarity and precision in the Exchange's rules. The Exchange believes it is in the public interest for rules to be accurate and precise so as to eliminate the potential for confusion.

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.

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<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intramarket competition as the non-substantive edits to update internal cross-references in the Exchange's rulebook provide additional detail and clarity in the Exchange's rules, which apply equally to all Exchange Members.<sup>6</sup>

C. 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.

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

Because the foregoing 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 after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>8</sup> thereunder.

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

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<sup>6</sup> The term "Member" means an individual or organization approved to exercise the trading rights associate with a Trading Permit. Members are deemed "members" under the Exchange Act. See Exchange Rule 100.

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

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has satisfied this requirement.

Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule 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:to-rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-38 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-38. 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 Web site (<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 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; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-38 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>9</sup>

Vanessa Countryman  
Secretary

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<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**EXHIBIT 5**

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**MIAX Emerald, LLC Rules**

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**Rule 100. Definitions****ABBO or Away Best Bid or Offer**

The term “**ABBO**” or “**Away Best Bid or Offer**” means the best bid(s) or offer(s) disseminated by other Eligible Exchanges (defined in Rule 1400([f]g)) and calculated by the Exchange based on market information received by the Exchange from OPRA.

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**Rule 503. Openings on the Exchange**

(a) – (d) No change.

**(e) Starting the Opening Process**

(1) No change.

(i) – (ii) No change.

(iii) for multiply listed option classes, at least one Eligible Exchange (as defined in Rule 1400([f]g)) has disseminated a quote in the individual option in accordance with Rule 1402(a), there is a valid width NBBO available and the valid width quote of at least one Lead Market Maker has been submitted.

(2) – (6) No change.

**(f) Opening Process.**

(1) No change.

(2) If there are quotes or orders that lock or cross each other, the System will open by following the Opening Process detailed below.

(i) – (iii) No change.

(iv) No change.

(A) No change.

1. No change

2. Any order that is routed pursuant to this Rule will be marked as an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”), as defined in Rule 1400([h]i), with a limit price equal to the away market’s displayed price.

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### **Rule 515. Execution of Orders and Quotes**

(a) **General.** Incoming orders and quotes and orders reevaluated pursuant to this Rule that are executable against orders and quotes in the System will be executed by the System in accordance with the following provisions, provided such orders and quotes will not be executed at prices inferior to the NBBO (as defined in Rules 100 and 1400([j]k)). Orders and quotes that could not be executed because the executions would be at prices inferior to the NBBO will be handled in accordance with the Managed Interest Process for orders described in paragraph (c)(1)(ii) below or in accordance with process for handling Market Maker orders and quotes described in paragraph (d) below.

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### **Rule 516. Order Types Defined**

It should be noted that some of the order types defined below are valid only during certain portions of the trading day (e.g., Opening Orders) or during certain events (e.g., Auction-or-Cancel Orders). If a Member submits an order type during a time period when the order type is not valid, the System will reject the order.

(a) – (e) No change.

(f) **Intermarket Sweep Order.** An Intermarket Sweep Order or “ISO”, as defined in Rule 1400([h]i), is a limit order that is designated by a Member as an ISO in the manner prescribed by the Exchange, and is executed within the System by Members without respect to Protected Quotations of other Eligible Exchanges as defined in Rule 1400([p]q) and ([f]g). ISOs are immediately executable within the System and shall not be eligible for routing. ISOs that are not designated as immediate or cancel will be cancelled by the System if not executed upon receipt. Simultaneously with the routing of an ISO to the System, one or more additional limit orders, as necessary, are routed by the entering Member to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid or Protected Offer (as defined in Rule 1400([o]p)) in the case of a limit order to sell or buy with a price that is superior to the limit price of the limit order identified as an ISO. These additional routed orders must be identified as ISOs. An ISO is not valid during the Opening Process described in Rule 503.

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**Rule 517. Quote Types Defined**

Market Makers may communicate to the Exchange bids and offers using one or more of the following quote types. All of the bids and offers in the quote types described below shall be firm in accordance with the Market Maker's obligations under Exchange Rules and Rule 602 of Regulation NMS. However, bids and offers in certain of the eQuote types, as identified in paragraph (d) below, will not be disseminated by the Exchange to quotation vendors in accordance with Rule 602 of Regulation NMS given their limited time in force contingencies. Some of the quote types defined below are valid only during certain portions of the trading day (e.g., Opening Only eQuotes) or during certain events (e.g., Auction-or-Cancel eQuotes). If a Member submits a quote type during a time period when the quote type is not valid, the System will reject the quote.

**(a) Quote Types:**

(1) No change.

(2) **eQuote.** An eQuote is a quote with a specific time in force that does not automatically cancel and replace a previous Standard quote or eQuote. An eQuote can be cancelled by the Market Maker at any time, or can be replaced by another eQuote that contains specific instructions to cancel an existing eQuote.

(i) – (iv) No change.

(v) **Intermarket Sweep eQuote.** A Market Maker may submit an Intermarket Sweep eQuote to the Exchange only if it has simultaneously routed one or more Intermarket Sweep Orders to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid (as defined in Rule 1400([o]p)), in the case of an intermarket sweep offer to sell, or Protected Offer (as defined in Rule 1400([o]p)), in the case of an intermarket sweep bid to buy, an option with a price that is superior to the Intermarket Sweep eQuote. Intermarket Sweep eQuotes that are not designated as immediate or cancel will be cancelled by the System if not executed upon receipt. Intermarket Sweep eQuotes do not automatically cancel or replace the Market Maker's previous Standard Quote or eQuote. An Intermarket Sweep eQuote is not valid during the Opening Process described in Rule 503.

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**Rule 518. Complex Orders****(a) Definitions.**

(1) **ABBO.** The term ABBO means the best bid(s) or offer(s) disseminated by other Eligible Exchanges (defined in Rule 1400([f]g)) and calculated by the Exchange based on market information received by the Exchange from OPRA.

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**Rule 521. Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors**

The Exchange may nullify a transaction or adjust the execution price of a transaction in accordance with this Rule. However, the determination as to whether a trade was executed at an erroneous price may be made by mutual agreement of the affected parties to a particular transaction. A trade may be nullified or adjusted on the terms that all parties to a particular transaction agree, provided, however, that such agreement to nullify or adjust must be conveyed to the Exchange in a manner prescribed by the Exchange prior to 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time on the first trading day following the execution. It is considered conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade for any Member to use the mutual adjustment process to circumvent any applicable Exchange rule, the Act or any of the rules and regulations thereunder.

(a) – (i) No change.

(j) **Linkage Trades.** If the Exchange routes an order pursuant to the Options Order Protection and Locked/Crossed Market Plan (as defined in Exchange Rule 1400([n]o)) that results in a Linkage Trade on another options exchange and such options exchange subsequently nullifies or adjusts the Linkage Trade pursuant to its rules, the Exchange will perform all actions necessary to complete the nullification or adjustment of the Linkage Trade.

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