



**DATE:** December 6, 2012  
**TO:** MIAX Members  
**FROM:** MIAX Regulatory Department  
**RE:** MIAX Opening Process and Pause Timer

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MIAX Members are reminded of the Opening Process for options on the MIAX System, and of the "Pause Timer" (as described below) incorporated into the Opening Process.

- Opening Pause Timer is **one half second**.

The Exchange will accept orders and quotes in equity options during the "Pre-Opening Phase." The Pre-Opening Phase is internal to MIAX and will not be disseminated externally.

The Exchange will receive Financial Information Exchange ("FIX") orders and local quotes in equity options beginning at 7:30 a.m. ET.

The Exchange will begin accepting quotes beginning at 9:25 a.m. ET.

- Quotes entered before 9:25 a.m. ET will be acknowledged and discarded.
- Only quotes received after 9:25 a.m. ET are eligible to participate in the Opening Process.
- Only quotes received after 9:25 a.m. ET will be considered when measuring compliance with opening market maker obligations.

The tables below indicate the calculation of the Expanded Quote Range ("EQR") for option classes traded on MIAX.

Option Classes Not Included in the Penny Pilot - Expanded Quote Range for Nickel-Dime Issues:			
Low end of range (bid)	High end of range (bid)	EQR value	Long-Term Multiplier
\$0.00	\$1.00	\$0.05	2X
\$1.01	\$3.00	\$0.10	2X
\$3.01	\$5.00	\$0.20	2X
\$5.01	\$10.00	\$0.30	2X
\$10.01	\$20.00	\$0.50	2X

Option Classes Not Included in the Penny Pilot - Expanded Quote Range for Nickel-Dime Issues:			
\$20.01	\$40.00	\$0.70	2X
\$40.01	+	\$0.90	2X

Option Classes Included in the Penny Pilot - Expanded Quote Range for Penny-Nickel Issues:			
Low end of range (bid)	High end of range (bid)	EQR value	Long-Term Multiplier
\$0.00	\$1.00	\$0.05	2X
\$1.01	\$3.00	\$0.10	2X
\$3.01	\$5.00	\$0.20	2X
\$5.01	\$10.00	\$0.30	2X
\$10.01	\$20.00	\$0.50	2X
\$20.01	\$40.00	\$0.70	2X
\$40.01	+	\$0.90	2X

Options Overlying SPY/IWM/QQQQ - Expanded Quote Range for All-Penny Issues:			
Low end of range (bid)	High end of range (bid)	EQR value	Long-Term Multiplier
\$0.00	\$0.40	\$0.05	2X
\$0.41	\$1.00	\$0.07	2X
\$1.01	\$2.00	\$0.10	2X
\$2.01	\$3.00	\$0.15	2X
\$3.01	\$5.00	\$0.20	2X
\$5.01	\$10.00	\$0.30	2X
\$10.01	\$20.00	\$0.50	2X
\$20.01	\$40.00	\$0.70	2X
\$40.01	+	\$0.90	2X

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