



DATE: April 13, 2018

TO: MIAX PEARL Members

FROM: MIAX PEARL Regulatory Department

RE: Adoption of Chapter XVIII, Index Options, and Amendment of Rule 504, Trading Halts, Relating to Cash-Settled Index Options

On April 12, 2018, the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) approved the Exchange’s proposal to adopt rules relating to the listing and trading of cash-settled index options (Chapter XVIII -- Index Options), as well as to amend MIAX PEARL Rule 504, Trading Halts, to add provisions pertaining to cash-settled index options.

The new MIAX PEARL Chapter XVIII of rules allows the Exchange to introduce and trade both existing and new index products on MIAX PEARL. Because the rules related to trading options on indices are product specific in many areas, the Exchange will file additional proposed rule changes with the SEC when the Exchange identifies specific products, and will announce the implementation date of such products by a subsequent Regulatory Circular. The amendment to MIAX PEARL Rule 504, Trading Halts, governs the halting of trading in cash-settled index option products.

The new MIAX PEARL Chapter XVIII rules are incorporated by reference into the MIAX PEARL Rule Book from Chapter XVIII of the MIAX Options Rule Book, as such rules may be in effect from time to time, and are thus MIAX PEARL Rules applicable to MIAX PEARL Members. MIAX PEARL Members therefore must comply with MIAX Options Rules in Chapter XVIII as though such rules were fully set forth in the MIAX PEARL Rule Book. All defined terms, including any variations thereof, contained in such rules shall be read to refer to the MIAX PEARL related meaning of such term.

MIAX PEARL urges all MIAX PEARL members to review all such changes in their entirety, which can be found in the rule filing, [SR-PEARL-2018-02](#).

Should you have any questions about the amended rules or the information contained in this Regulatory Circular, please contact the Regulatory Department at Regulatory@MIAXOptions.com or (609) 897-7309.