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#### 1. <u>Text of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) MIAX Emerald, LLC ("MIAX Emerald" or "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 503, Openings on the Exchange, to make minor nonsubstantive corrective edits to the rule text.

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

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

#### 2. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

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 Michael Slade, Counsel, at (609) 897-8499.

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

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

#### 3. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### a. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange, to

make minor non-substantive corrective edits to the rule text. Currently, subsection (b) of

Exchange Rule 503 provides as follows:

The procedure described in this Rule will be used to reopen an option class after a trading halt. The order types that may participate in the opening process are set forth in Rule 516 (the "Opening Process"). Post-Only OQs may participate in the Opening Process, however, the Post-Only instruction will be ignored for Post-Only OQs that participate in the Opening Process.

The Exchange proposes to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence in subsection (b) to immediately follow the first time the lowercased words "opening process" appear in that subsection. This is because the term "Opening Process" is a capitalized, defined term that is used throughout the rest of the rule text. Further, Exchange Rule 516 is titled "Order Types Defined," and is not the correct rule citation for the Opening Process. Accordingly, because it is not the correct title for the citation to Exchange Rule 516, the Exchange also proposes to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence of subsection (b) and replace it with the correct text for the title of Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined. With the proposed changes, subsection (b) will provide as

follows:

The procedure described in this Rule will be used to reopen an option class after a trading halt. The order types that may participate in the opening process (the "Opening Process") are set forth in Rule 516, Order Types Defined. Post-Only OQs may participate in the Opening Process, however, the Post-Only instruction will be ignored for Post-Only OQs that participate in the Opening Process.

The Exchange does not propose to make any further changes or substantive changes.

#### b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>4</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 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 its proposal to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence in subsection (b) of Exchange Rule 503 and then replace the citation to Exchange Rule 516 with the correct title, removes impediments to and perfects the mechanisms of a free and open market by providing an accurate citation to Exchange Rule 516 and accurately defining a capitalized term throughout the Exchange's rulebook. The Exchange believes clarity and transparency benefits investors and the public and allows investors and the public to make informed decisions regarding the submission of orders to the Exchange and eliminates the potential for confusion.

## 4. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition 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 inter-market competition as the proposed rule changes make minor, non-substantive corrective edits to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

Additionally, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes affect all market participants equally, and only seek to clarify an incorrect citation in the Exchange's rulebook and capitalize a defined term. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed changes impose a burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes are designed to provide clarity in the Exchange's rules and are not intended to influence competition among Members or market participants.

## 5. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u> <u>Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

No written comments were either solicited or received.

## 6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

Not applicable.

## 7. <u>Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated</u> <u>Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2).</u>

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>5</sup> and Rule  $19b-4(f)(6)^6$  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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

The Exchange believes that its proposal to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence in subsection (b) of Exchange Rule 503 and move it to follow the lowercased term "opening process," as well as insert the correct citation to Exchange Rule 516, will provide consistency and clarity within the rule text. The proposals are simply minor non-substantive edits to provide the correct citation to Exchange Rule 516 and

define a capitalized term and thus do not raise any new or novel regulatory or substantive issues. Accordingly, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is non-controversial.

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>7</sup> normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of its filing. However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>8</sup> permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

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. <u>Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization</u> or of the Commission

The proposed rule change is not based on the rules of another SRO.

## 9. <u>Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> <u>Id</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

# 11. <u>Exhibits</u>

- 1. Notice of proposed rule for publication in the Federal Register.
- 5. Text of proposed rule change.

## EXHIBIT 1

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EMERALD-2019-26)

#### July\_\_, 2019

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by MIAX Emerald, LLC to Amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on 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> notice is hereby given that on July 16, 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> <u>Rule Change</u>

The Exchange is filing a proposal to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the

Exchange, to make minor non-substantive corrective edits to the rule text.

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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the</u> <u>Proposed Rule Change</u>

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

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

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

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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory</u> Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange, to make minor non-substantive corrective edits to the rule text. Currently, subsection (b) of Exchange Rule 503 provides as follows:

The procedure described in this Rule will be used to reopen an option class after a trading halt. The order types that may participate in the opening process are set forth in Rule 516 (the "Opening Process"). Post-Only OQs may participate in the Opening Process, however, the Post-Only instruction will be ignored for Post-Only OQs that participate in the Opening Process.

The Exchange proposes to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence in subsection (b) to immediately follow the first time the lowercased words "opening process" appear in that subsection. This is because the term "Opening Process" is a capitalized, defined term that is used throughout the rest of the rule text. Further, Exchange Rule 516 is titled "Order Types Defined," and is not the correct rule citation for the Opening Process. Accordingly, because it is not the correct title for the citation to Exchange Rule 516, the Exchange also proposes to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence of subsection (b) and replace it with the correct text for the title of Exchange Rule 516, Order Types Defined. With the proposed changes, subsection (b) will provide as follows:

The procedure described in this Rule will be used to reopen an option class after a trading halt. The order types that may participate in the opening process (the "Opening Process") are set forth in Rule 516, Order Types Defined. Post-Only OQs may participate in the Opening Process, however, the Post-Only instruction will be ignored for Post-Only OQs that participate in the Opening Process.

The Exchange does not propose to make any further changes or substantive changes.

#### 2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>4</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 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 its proposal to relocate the parenthetical "(the "Opening Process")" from the end of the second sentence in subsection (b) of Exchange Rule 503 and then replace the citation to Exchange Rule 516 with the correct title, removes impediments to and perfects the mechanisms of a free and open market by providing an accurate citation to Exchange Rule 516 and accurately defining a capitalized term throughout the Exchange's rulebook. The Exchange believes clarity and transparency benefits investors and the public and allows investors and the public to make informed decisions regarding the submission of orders to the Exchange and eliminates the potential for confusion.

#### B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition 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 inter-market

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

rule text and clarify a citation in Exchange Rule 503 to Exchange Rule 516, as well as to the defined term, the "Opening Process."

Additionally, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes affect all market participants equally, and only seek to clarify an incorrect citation in the Exchange's rulebook and capitalize a defined term. The Exchange does not believe that the proposed changes impose a burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes are designed to provide clarity in the Exchange's rules and are not intended to influence competition among Members or market participants.

## C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u> <u>Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

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>5</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>6</sup> thereunder.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</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.

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 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 (<u>http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</u>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-26 on the subject line.

#### Paper comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-26. 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-2019-26 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>]. For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>7</sup>

Brent J. Fields Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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#### **EXHIBIT 5**

New text is <u>underlined;</u> Deleted text is in [brackets]

#### **MIAX Emerald, LLC**

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#### **Rule 503.** Openings on the Exchange

(a) No change.

(b) The procedure described in this Rule will be used to reopen an option class after a trading halt. The order types that may participate in the opening process (the "Opening Process") are set forth in Rule 516, Order Types Defined[ (the "Opening Process")]. Post-Only OQs may participate in the Opening Process, however, the Post-Only instruction will be ignored for Post-Only OQs that participate in the Opening Process.

(c) - (g) No change.

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