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Form 19b-4

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Amendment No. (req. for Amendments \*)

Filing by MIAX Emerald, LLC

Pursuant to Rule 19b-4 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Notice of proposed change pursuant to the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Act of 2010

Section 806(e)(1) \*

Section 806(e)(2) \*

Security-Based Swap Submission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Section 3C(b)(2) \*

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### Description

Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked \*).

Proposal to make a number of minor, non-substantive edits to Interpretations and Policies .01(b) of Exchange Rule 100, Exchange Rule 515A, and Interpretations and Policies .03 of Exchange Rule 521.

### 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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Title *	AVP, Associate Counsel		
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Telephone *	(609) 955-0460	Fax	

### Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange of 1934, MIAX Emerald, LLC has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date

07/17/2023

(Title \*)

By

Michael Slade

AVP, Associate Counsel

(Name \*)

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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 Advanced 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 Sent As Paper Document

**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.

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**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 “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 make a number of minor, non-substantive edits to Interpretations and Policies .01(b) of Exchange Rule 100, Definitions, Exchange Rule 515A, MIAX Emerald Price Improvement Mechanism (“PRIME”) and PRIME Solicitation Mechanism, and Interpretations and Policies .03 of 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 changes were approved by the Chief Executive Officer of the Exchange or his designee pursuant to authority delegated by the MIAX Emerald Board of Directors on February 2, 2023. 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 changes.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule changes may be directed to Michael Slade, Assistant Vice President, Associate Counsel, at (609) 955-0460.

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

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

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

a. Purpose

Amendment to Exchange Rule 515A

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 515A to make minor, non-substantive edits and clarifying changes to provide accuracy and precision within the rule text.

Specifically, the Exchange proposes to amend current subparagraphs (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) to remove the periods at the end of the sentences and replace them with semicolons for grammatical correctness and clarity in the Rule text. Additionally, the Exchange proposes to remove the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (a)(1)(i) and add the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (a)(1)(iii). Furthermore, the Exchange proposes to amend current subparagraph (a)(1)(iii) by changing the first word “With” to lowercase at the beginning of the sentence.

Accordingly, with the proposed changes, subparagraphs (a)(1)(i) through (a)(1)(iv) will read as follows:

- (i) the Agency Order is in a class designated as eligible for PRIME as determined by the Exchange and within the designated Auction order eligibility size parameters as such size parameters are determined by the Exchange;
- (ii) the Initiating Member must stop the entire Agency Order as principal or with a solicited order at the better of the NBBO or the Agency Order’s limit price (if the order is a limit order);
- (iii) with respect to Agency Orders that have a size of less than 50 contracts, if at the time of receipt of the Agency Order, the NBBO has a bid/ask differential of \$0.01, the System will reject the Agency Order; and
- (iv) Post-only OQs may not participate in PRIME as an Agency Order, principal interest or solicited interest.

Amendment to the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521

The Exchange proposes to amend the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521 to make minor, non-substantive edits and clarifying changes to provide accuracy and precision within the Interpretations and Policies of the Rule text.

Specifically, the Exchange proposes to amend current subparagraph .01(b) of the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rule 100 to replace the capitalized word “Complex” with the lowercase word “complex” at the beginning of the second sentence. Accordingly, with the proposed changes, subparagraph .01(b) will provide as follows:

- (b) Complex orders comprised of eight (8) options legs or fewer shall be counted as a single order. For complex orders comprised of nine (9) options legs or more, each leg shall count as its own separate order.

Similarly, the Exchange proposes to amend current paragraph “.03 Complex Orders” of the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rule 521 to replace all the capitalized occurrences of the word “Complex” with the lowercase word “complex”. Accordingly, with the proposed changes, paragraph “.03 Complex Orders” will provide as follows:

#### .03 Complex Orders.

(a) If a complex order executes against individual legs and at least one of the legs qualifies as an Obvious Error under paragraph (c)(1) or a Catastrophic Error under paragraph (d)(1), then the leg(s) that is an Obvious or Catastrophic Error will be adjusted in accordance with paragraphs (c)(4)(A) or (d)(3), respectively, regardless of whether one of the parties is a Customer. However, any Customer order subject to this paragraph (a) will be nullified if the adjustment would result in an execution price higher (for buy transactions) or lower (for sell transactions) than the Customer’s limit price on the complex order or individual leg(s). If any leg of a complex order is nullified, the entire transaction is nullified.

(b) If a complex order executes against another complex order and at least one of the legs qualifies as an Obvious Error under paragraph (c)(1) or a Catastrophic Error under paragraph (d)(1), then the leg(s) that is an Obvious or Catastrophic Error will be adjusted or busted in accordance with paragraph (c)(4) or (d)(3), respectively, so long as either: (i) the width of the National Spread Market for the complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction was equal to or greater than the amount set forth in the wide quote table of paragraph (b)(3), or (ii) the net execution price of the complex order is higher (lower) than the offer (bid) of the National Spread Market for the complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction by an amount equal to at least the amount shown in the table in paragraph (c)(1). If any leg of a complex order is nullified, the entire transaction is nullified. For purposes of this Rule 521, the National Spread Market for a complex order strategy is determined by the National Best Bid/Offer of the individual legs of the strategy.

The purpose of all these proposed changes is to provide consistency and uniformity within the Exchange's Rulebook.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule changes are consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(1) of the Act<sup>4</sup> in particular, in that they are designed to enforce compliance by its Members<sup>5</sup> and persons associated with its Members, with the provisions of the rules of the Exchange. In particular, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule changes will provide greater clarity to Members and the public regarding the Exchange's Rules by correcting grammatical errors and providing consistency within the Exchange's Rulebook. The proposed changes will also make it easier for Members to interpret the Exchange's Rulebook.

**4. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition**

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule changes will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed changes will not impose any burden on intra-market competition as there is no functional change to the Exchange's System<sup>6</sup> and because the rules of the Exchange apply to all MIAX Emerald participants equally. The Exchange believes the proposed rule changes will not impose any burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes are not designed to address any competitive issue but rather are designed to remedy

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

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(1).

<sup>5</sup> The term "Member" means an individual or organization approved to exercise the trading rights associated with a Trading Permit. Members are deemed "members" under the Exchange Act. See Exchange Rule 100.

<sup>6</sup> The term "System" means the automated trading system used by the Exchange for the trading of securities. See Exchange Rule 100.

minor non-substantive issues and provide added precision and accuracy to the rule text of Exchange Rule 515A and the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521. In addition, the Exchange does not believe the proposal will impose any burden on inter-market competition as the proposal does not address any competitive issues and is intended to protect investors by providing further transparency and precision for referencing the Exchange's Rules.

**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 believes that the proposed changes do not affect the protection of investors or the public interest because the proposed changes are minor, non-substantive edits that will provide greater clarity to Members and the public regarding the Exchange's Rules. Further, as discussed above, the Exchange believes the proposed changes do not impose any significant

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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).

burden on competition because the proposed changes apply equally to all Exchange participants and do not raise any new or novel regulatory issues. The proposed changes are not designed to address any competitive issue but rather are designed to remedy minor non-substantive issues and provide accuracy and clarity to the rule text in Exchange Rule 515A and the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521. Accordingly, because the proposed rule changes do not introduce any new regulatory issues, the Exchange has filed this rule filing as non-controversial under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>9</sup> and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>10</sup>

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 were to take such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule shall be approved or disapproved.

**8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission**

Not applicable.

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

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<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>10</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. Exhibits**

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-2023-16)

July \_\_, 2023

Self-Regulatory Organizations: MIAX Emerald, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Amend Exchange Rule 515 to Make Minor, Non-Substantive Edits

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 \_\_, 2023, 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 proposes to make a number of minor, non-substantive edits to Interpretations and Policies .01(b) of Exchange Rule 100, Definitions, Exchange Rule 515A, MIAX Emerald Price Improvement Mechanism (“PRIME”) and PRIME Solicitation Mechanism, and Interpretations and Policies .03 of Exchange Rule 521, Nullification and Adjustment of Options Transactions Including Obvious Errors.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at <https://www.miaxglobal.com/markets/us-options/emerald-options/rule-filings>, 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

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

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

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

Amendment to Exchange Rule 515A

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 515A to make minor, non-substantive edits and clarifying changes to provide accuracy and precision within the rule text.

Specifically, the Exchange proposes to amend current subparagraphs (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) to remove the periods at the end of the sentences and replace them with semicolons for grammatical correctness and clarity in the Rule text. Additionally, the Exchange proposes to remove the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (a)(1)(i) and add the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (a)(1)(iii). Furthermore, the Exchange proposes to amend current subparagraph (a)(1)(iii) by changing the first word “With” to lowercase at the beginning of the sentence.

Accordingly, with the proposed changes, subparagraphs (a)(1)(i) through (a)(1)(iv) will read as follows:

- (i) the Agency Order is in a class designated as eligible for PRIME as determined by the Exchange and within the designated Auction order eligibility size parameters as such size parameters are determined by the Exchange;
- (ii) the Initiating Member must stop the entire Agency Order as principal or with a solicited order at the better of the NBBO or the Agency Order’s limit price (if the order is a limit order);
- (iii) with respect to Agency Orders that have a size of less than 50 contracts, if at the time of receipt of the Agency Order, the NBBO has a bid/ask differential of \$0.01, the System will reject the Agency Order; and

(iv) Post-only OQs may not participate in PRIME as an Agency Order, principal interest or solicited interest.

Amendment to the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521

The Exchange proposes to amend the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521 to make minor, non-substantive edits and clarifying changes to provide accuracy and precision within the Interpretations and Policies of the Rule text.

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(b) If a complex order executes against another complex order and at least one of the legs qualifies as an Obvious Error under paragraph (c)(1) or a Catastrophic Error under paragraph (d)(1), then the leg(s) that is an Obvious or Catastrophic Error will be adjusted or busted in accordance with paragraph (c)(4) or (d)(3),

respectively, so long as either: (i) the width of the National Spread Market for the complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction was equal to or greater than the amount set forth in the wide quote table of paragraph (b)(3), or (ii) the net execution price of the complex order is higher (lower) than the offer (bid) of the National Spread Market for the complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction by an amount equal to at least the amount shown in the table in paragraph (c)(1). If any leg of a complex order is nullified, the entire transaction is nullified. For purposes of this Rule 521, the National Spread Market for a complex order strategy is determined by the National Best Bid/Offer of the individual legs of the strategy.

The purpose of all these proposed changes is to provide consistency and uniformity within the Exchange's Rulebook.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule changes are consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>3</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(1) of the Act<sup>4</sup> in particular, in that they are designed to enforce compliance by its Members<sup>5</sup> and persons associated with its Members, with the provisions of the rules of the Exchange. In particular, the Exchange believes that the proposed rule changes will provide greater clarity to Members and the public regarding the Exchange's Rules by correcting grammatical errors and providing consistency within the Exchange's Rulebook. The proposed changes will also make it easier for Members to interpret the Exchange's Rulebook.

## B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule changes will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed changes will not impose any burden on intra-market

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

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(1).

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competition as there is no functional change to the Exchange's System<sup>6</sup> and because the rules of the Exchange apply to all MIAX Emerald participants equally. The Exchange believes the proposed rule changes will not impose any burden on intra-market competition as the proposed changes are not designed to address any competitive issue but rather are designed to remedy minor non-substantive issues and provide added precision and accuracy to the rule text of Exchange Rule 515A and the Interpretations and Policies of Exchange Rules 100 and 521. In addition, the Exchange does not believe the proposal will impose any burden on inter-market competition as the proposal does not address any competitive issues and is intended to protect investors by providing further transparency and precision for referencing the Exchange's Rules.

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

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<sup>6</sup> The term "System" means the automated trading system used by the Exchange for the trading of securities. 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.

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 (<https://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-2023-16 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-2023-16. 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 (<https://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-2023-16 and should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 21 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>9</sup>

**Sherry R. Haywood,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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

**EXHIBIT 5**

New text is underlined;  
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**MIAx Emerald Options Exchange Rules**

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**Rule 100. Definitions**

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**Interpretations and Policies:**

.01 For purposes of counting the number of orders in listed options per day on average during a calendar month for its own beneficial account(s) for designation as Priority Customer, or Professional Interest, under Rule 100:

- (a) No change.
- (b) Complex orders comprised of eight (8) options legs or fewer shall be counted as a single order. For [C]complex orders comprised of nine (9) options legs or more, each leg shall count as its own separate order.
- (c) - (d) No change.

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**Rule 515A. MIAx Emerald Price Improvement Mechanism (“PRIME”) and PRIME Solicitation Mechanism**

(a) **Price Improvement Mechanism (“PRIME”).** PRIME is a process by which a Member may electronically submit for execution (“Auction”) an order it represents as agent (“Agency Order”) against principal interest, and/or an Agency Order against solicited interest.

(1) **Auction Eligibility Requirements.** A Member (the “Initiating Member”) may initiate an Auction provided all of the following are met:

(i) the Agency Order is in a class designated as eligible for PRIME as determined by the Exchange and within the designated Auction order eligibility size parameters as such size parameters are determined by the Exchange; [and]

(ii) the Initiating Member must stop the entire Agency Order as principal or with a solicited order at the better of the NBBO or the Agency Order’s limit price (if the order is a limit order)[.];

(iii) [W]with respect to Agency Orders that have a size of less than 50 contracts, if at the time of receipt of the Agency Order, the NBBO has a bid/ask differential of \$0.01, the System will reject the Agency Order[.]; and

(iv) Post-Only OQs may not participate in PRIME as an Agency Order, principal interest or solicited interest.

(2) No Change.

(b) No Change.

**Interpretations and Policies:**

.01 - .13 No Change.

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

(a) - (l) No change.

**Interpretations and Policies:**

.01 - .02 No Change.

**.03 Complex Orders.**

(a) If a [C]complex order executes against individual legs and at least one of the legs qualifies as an Obvious Error under paragraph (c)(1) or a Catastrophic Error under paragraph (d)(1), then the leg(s) that is an Obvious or Catastrophic Error will be adjusted in accordance with paragraphs (c)(4)(A) or (d)(3), respectively, regardless of whether one of the parties is a Customer. However, any Customer order subject to this paragraph (a) will be nullified if the adjustment would result in an execution price higher (for buy transactions) or lower (for sell transactions) than the Customer's limit price on the [C]complex order or individual leg(s). If any leg of a [C]complex order is nullified, the entire transaction is nullified.

(b) If a [C]complex order executes against another [C]complex order and at least one of the legs qualifies as an Obvious Error under paragraph (c)(1) or a Catastrophic Error under paragraph (d)(1), then the leg(s) that is an Obvious or Catastrophic Error will be adjusted or busted in accordance with paragraph (c)(4) or (d)(3), respectively, so long as either: (i) the width of the National Spread Market for the [C]complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction was equal to or greater than the amount set forth in the wide quote table of paragraph (b)(3), or (ii) the net execution price of the [C]complex order is higher (lower) than the offer (bid) of the National Spread Market for the [C]complex order strategy just prior to the erroneous transaction

by an amount equal to at least the amount shown in the table in paragraph (c)(1). If any leg of a [C]complex order is nullified, the entire transaction is nullified. For purposes of this Rule 521, the National Spread Market for a [C]complex order strategy is determined by the National Best Bid/Offer of the individual legs of the strategy.

(c) No change.

.04 No Change.

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