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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.

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1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC ("MIAX" or "Exchange"), pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² proposes to amend Exchange Rule 404 to list and trade option contracts overlying 10 shares of a security ("mini-option contracts").

A 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. 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 Board of Directors on December 5, 2012. 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 James C. Morgan, Associate Counsel and Assistant Vice President, at (609) 897-1484.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

a. Purpose

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investors who may not currently be able to participate in the trading of options on such high priced securities. The Exchange believes that investors would benefit from the availability of mini-options contracts by making options overlying high priced securities more readily available as an investing tool and at more affordable and realistic prices, most notably for the average retail investor.

For example, with AAPL trading at \$638.17 on October 8, 2012, (\$63,817 for 100 shares underlying a standard contract), the call option with a strike price of 640 expiring on October 19 was trading at \$8.30. The cost of the standard contract overlying 100 shares would be \$830, which is substantially higher in notional terms than the average equity option price of \$255.02.5 Proportionately equivalent mini-options contracts on AAPL would provide investors with the ability to manage and hedge their portfolio risk on their underlying investment, at a price of \$83.00 per contract. In addition, investors who hold a position in AAPL at less than the round lot size would still be able to avail themselves of options to manage their portfolio risk. For example, the holder of 50 shares of AAPL could write covered calls for five mini-options contracts. The table below demonstrates the proposed differences between a mini-options contract and a standard contract with a strike price of \$125 per share and a bid or offer of \$3.20 per share:

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	Standard	Mini
Share Deliverable Upon Exercise	100 shares	10 shares
Strike Price	125	125
Bid/offer	3.20	3.20
Premium Multiplier	\$100	\$10
Total Value of Deliverable	\$12,500	\$1,250
Total Value of Contract	\$320	\$32

The Exchange believes that the proposal to list and trade mini-option contracts will not lead to investor confusion. There are two important distinctions between mini-options and standard options that are designed to ease the likelihood of any investor confusion. First, the premium multiplier for the proposed mini-options will be \$10, rather than \$100, to reflect the smaller unit of trading. To reflect this change, the Exchange proposes to add Rule 509(c) which notes that bids and offers for an option contract overlying 10 shares will be expressed in terms of dollars per 1/10th part of the total value of the contract. Thus, an offer of ".50" shall represent an offer \$5.00 for an option contract having a unit of trading consisting of 10 shares. Additionally, the Exchange will designate mini-option contracts with different trading symbols than their related standard contract.⁶ The Exchange believes that the clarity of this approach is appropriate and transparent and the Exchange believes that the terms of mini-option contracts are consistent with the terms of the Options Disclosure Document. The Exchange recognizes the need to

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differentiate mini-option contracts from standard options and therefore is proposing the following changes to its rules.

The Exchange proposes to add new Interpretation and Policy .08(a) to Rule 404 (Series of Option Contracts Open for Trading) to permit the listing of mini-options after an option class on a stock, ETF share, Trust Issued Receipt (TIR), and Equity Index-Linked Security with a 100 share deliverable has been approved for listing and trading on the Exchange. This new subparagraph also identifies the five specific securities on which the Exchange may list mini-options.

The Exchange proposes to add new Interpretation and Policy .08(b) to Rule 404 to reflect that strike prices for mini-options shall be set at the same level as for standard options. For example, a call series strike price to deliver 10 shares of stock at \$125 per share has a total deliverable value of \$1250, and the strike price will be set at 125. Further, pursuant to proposed new Interpretation and Policy .08(c) to Rule 404, the Exchange proposes to not permit the listing of additional series of mini-options if the underlying is trading at \$90 or less to limit the number of strikes once the underlying is no longer a high priced security. The Exchange proposes a \$90.01 minimum for continued qualification so that additional series of mini-options that correspond to standard strikes may be added even though the underlying has fallen slightly below the initial qualification standard. In addition, the underlying security must be trading above \$90 for five consecutive days before the listing of mini-option contracts in a new expiration month. This restriction will allow the Exchange to list strikes in mini-options without disruption when a new expiration month is added even if the underlying has had a minor decline in price.

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The Exchange also proposes to add Interpretation and Policy .03 to Rule 307 (Position Limits) to reflect that, for purposes of compliance with the position limits set forth in Rule 307, ten mini-option contracts will equal one standard contract overlying 100 shares. The Exchange also proposes to add subparagraph (c) to Rule 509 (Meaning of Premium Bids and Offers) to extend the explanation of bids and offers with respect to mini-option contracts.

Mini-options with non-standard expiration dates (e.g., weekly series, quarterly option series and LEAPs) will be permitted under this proposal and in accordance with relevant MIAX rules. MIAX may list mini-options on SPY, AAPL, GLD, GOOG and AMZN for all expirations applicable to 100-share options on the same underlying.⁷

The Exchange's rules that apply to the trading of standard options would apply to minioptions and the Exchange's market maker quoting obligations would apply to mini-options.⁸
Intermarket trade-through protection would apply to mini-options; however, price protection
would not apply across standard and mini-options on an intramarket basis, as these are separate
products.⁹

With regard to the impact of this proposal on system capacity, the Exchange has analyzed its capacity and represents that it and the Options Price Reporting Authority have the necessary systems capacity to handle the potential additional traffic associated with the listing and trading of mini-option contracts. MIAX also understand that the OCC will be able to accommodate mini-option contracts.

⁷ <u>See</u> 77 FR at 60737.

⁸ <u>See</u> MIAX Rule 604 and 77 FR at 60737.

⁹ See 77 FR at 60736 and 60738.

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The Exchange notes that the current MIAX Fee Schedule will not apply to the trading of mini-option contracts. The Exchange will not commence trading of mini-option contracts until specific fees for mini-option contracts trading have been filed with the Commission.

b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

MIAX believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act¹⁰ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹¹ 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, and it is not designed to permit unfair discrimination among customers, brokers, or dealers. Specifically, the Exchange believes that investors would benefit from the availability of mini-options contracts by, making options on high priced securities more readily available as an investing tool and at more affordable and realistic prices, most notably for the average retail investor. As described above, the proposal contains a number of features designed to protect investors by reducing investor confusion, such as the mini-option contracts being designated by different trading symbols from their related standard contracts. Moreover, the proposal is designed to protect investors and the public interest by providing investors with an enhanced tool to reduce risk in high priced securities. In particular, the proposed contracts will provide retail customers who invest in high priced issues in lots of less than 100 shares with a means of protecting their investments that is presently only available to those who have positions of 100

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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shares or more. Further, the proposal currently is limited to five high priced securities for which there is already significant options liquidity, and therefore significant customer demand and trading volume.

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

MIAX 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. In this regard and as indicated above, the Exchange notes that the rule change is being proposed as a competitive response to recently approved NYSE Arca, ISE and CBOE filings. MIAX believes this proposed rule change is necessary to permit fair competition among the options exchanges.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

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 Act¹² and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹³ 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.

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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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 Act¹⁴ normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of its filing. However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹⁵ permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange notes that the proposed rule change is substantially similar in all material respects to existing rules of NYSE Arca, ISE, and CBOE. ¹⁶ The Exchange also provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file the proposal, along with a brief description and text of the proposal, prior to the date of the filing of the proposed rule change as required by Rule 19b-4(f)(6).

The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the pre-filing period and the 30- day operative delay period. Waiver of the pre-filing period and operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because it will ensure fair competition among exchanges by allowing MIAX to have the same ability as NYSE Arca, ISE, and CBOE to list mini-options on the five securities identified in this proposal.

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

As discussed above, this proposed rule change is based on recently approved filings by NYSE Arca, ISE, and CBOE and is substantially similar in all material respects to those filings.

¹⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁶ <u>See</u> supra note 3.

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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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EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-MIAX-2013-06

March ___, 2013

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by Miami International Securities Exchange LLC to Trade Option Contracts Overlying 10 Shares of Certain Securities

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on March 4, 2013, Miami International Securities Exchange LLC ("MIAX" 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> Rule Change

The Exchange is filing a proposal to amend Exchange Rule 404 to list and trade option contracts overlying 10 shares of a security ("mini-option contracts").

The text of the proposed rule change is provided in Exhibit 5. The text of the proposed rule change is also available on the Exchange's website at http://www.miaxoptions.com/filter/wotitle/rule_filing, at MIAX's principal office, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the 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 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.

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2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

MIAX believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act¹⁰ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹¹ 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, and it is not designed to permit unfair discrimination among customers, brokers, or dealers. Specifically, the Exchange believes that investors would benefit from the availability of mini-options contracts by, making options on high priced securities more readily available as an investing tool and at more affordable and realistic prices, most notably for the average retail investor. As described above, the proposal contains a number of features designed to protect investors by reducing investor confusion, such as the mini-option contracts being designated by different trading symbols from their related standard contracts. Moreover, the proposal is designed to protect investors and the public interest by providing investors with an enhanced tool to reduce risk in high priced securities. In particular, the proposed contracts will provide retail customers who invest in high priced issues in lots of less than 100 shares with a means of protecting their investments that is presently only available to those who have positions of 100 shares or more. Further, the proposal currently is limited to five high priced securities for which there is already significant options liquidity, and therefore significant customer demand and trading volume.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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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. In this regard and as indicated above, the Exchange notes that the rule change is being proposed as a competitive response to recently approved NYSE Arca, ISE and CBOE filings. MIAX believes this proposed rule change is necessary to permit fair competition among the options exchanges.

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

Written comments were neither solicited or received.

III. <u>Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action</u>
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 Act¹² and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹³ 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

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹³ 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.

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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. Please include File Number SR-MIAX-2013-06 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

☐ Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-MIAX-2013-06. 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.

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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-MIAX-2013-06 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.¹⁴

Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

MIAMI INTERNATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE, LLC

Proposed Rule Change

It is proposed that the following provisions of the Miami International Securities Exchange Rules be amended as set forth below. [Bracketed] text indicates material to be deleted and <u>underlined</u> text indicates material to be added.

Rule 307. Position Limits

No change.

- ...Interpretations and Policies:
- .01 .02 No change.
- .03 For purposes of determining compliance with the position limits under this Rule 307, ten mini-option contracts (as permitted under Rule 404.08) shall equal one standard contract overlying 100 shares.

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Rule 404. Series of Option Contracts Open for Trading

- (a) (e) No change.
- ...Interpretations and Policies:
- .01 .07 No change.

.08 Mini Option Contracts

- (a) After an option class on a stock, exchange-traded fund (ETF) share, Trust Issued Receipt (TIR), and other Equity Index-Linked Security with a 100 share deliverable has been approved for listing and trading on the Exchange, series of option contracts with a 10 share deliverable on that stock, ETF share, TIR, and other Equity Index-Linked Security may be listed for all expirations opened for trading on the Exchange. Mini-option contracts may currently be listed on SPDR S&P 500 (SPY), Apple, Inc. (AAPL), SPDR Gold Trust (GLD), Google, Inc. (GOOG) and Amazon.com Inc. (AMZN).
- (b) Strike prices for mini-options shall be set at the same level as for standard options. For example, a call series strike price to deliver 10 shares of stock at \$125 per share has a total deliverable value of \$1250, and the strike price will be set at 125.

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(c) No additional series of mini-options may be added if the underlying security is trading at \$90 or less. The underlying security must trade above \$90 for five consecutive days prior to listing mini-option contracts in an additional expiration month.

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Rule 509. Meaning of Premium Bids and Offers

- (a) **General**. Except as provided in paragraph (b), bids and offers shall be expressed in terms of dollars per unit of the underlying security. (e.g., a bid of "7" shall represent a bid of \$700 for an option contract having a unit of trading consisting of 100 shares of an underlying security, or a bid of \$770 for an option contract having a unit of trading consisting of 110 shares of an underlying security.)
- (b) **Special cases.** Bids and offers for an option contract for which an adjusted unit of trading has been established in accordance with Rule 5.7 shall be expressed in terms of dollars per .01 part of the total securities and/or other property constituting such adjusted unit of trading. (e.g., an offer of "6" shall represent an offer of \$600 on an option contract having a unit of trading consisting of 100 shares of an underlying security plus 10 rights.)
- (c) Mini-options. Bids and offers for an option contract overlying 10 shares shall be expressed in terms of dollars per 1/10th part of the total value of the contract. An offer of ".50" shall represent an offer of \$5.00 for an option contract having a unit of trading consisting of 10 shares.