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

(a) The Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC ("MIAX" or 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> is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a proposed rule change to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) requiring membership in another national securities exchange or association.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> 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. <u>Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization</u>

The proposed rule change was approved by the Chief Executive Officer of the Exchange or his designee pursuant to authority delegated by the MIAX Board of Directors on January 28, 2021. Exchange staff will advise the Board of Directors of any action taken pursuant to delegated authority.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to Chris Solgan, Vice President and Senior Counsel, at (609) 423-9414.

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

a. <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) requiring membership in another national securities exchange or association. In sum, Exchange Rule

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

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

200(d) currently requires that Trading Permit<sup>3</sup> holders be a member in another registered options exchange, other than the Exchange's affiliates, MIAX Emerald, LLC ("Emerald") or MIAX PEARL, LLC ("PEARL"), or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") where such other registered options exchange has not been designated by the Commission, pursuant to Rule 17d-1 under the Exchange Act, to examine Members for compliance with financial responsibility rules. Exchange Rule 200(d), therefore, does not allow a Trading Permit Holder that is not a FINRA member<sup>4</sup> to satisfy this requirement by being a member of a registered equities exchange. The Exchange believes that requiring membership in another registered options exchange is unnecessarily too restrictive and is also not in line with similar membership requirements at other exchanges.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, to enable more broker-dealers to become Trading Permit holders, the Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) to require membership in a registered national securities exchange, rather than only registered options exchanges.<sup>6</sup> Exchange Rule 200(d) will continue to require Trading Permit holders to be FINRA members where the registered national securities exchange that they maintain membership is not designated by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The term "Trading Permit" means a permit issued by the Exchange that confers the ability to transact on the Exchange. <u>See</u> Exchange Rule 100.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A Trading Permit Holder that does not transact business with the public is not required to become a FINRA member. Section 15(b)(8) of the Act that requires members that transact business with the public to be a member of FINRA. 15 U.S.C. 78<u>o</u>(b)(8).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. ("EDGX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. ("EDGA") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. ("BZX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. ("BYX", collectively with EDGX, EDGA, and BZX, the "Cboe Equity Exchanges") Rule 2.5(a)(4), MEMX LLC ("MEMX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Investors Exchange, Inc. ("IEX") Rule 2.130(a), Long Term Stock Exchange, Inc. ("LTSE") Rule 2.130 and BOX Exchange LLC ("BOX") Rule 2020(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Exchange also propose to include the phrase "or FINRA" at the end of Exchange Rule 200(d)'s title and to not capitalize the word "holder" in the first sentence of the rule.

Commission to examine members for compliance with financial responsibility rules pursuant to Rule 17d-1 of the Exchange Act.<sup>7</sup>

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

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5),<sup>9</sup> in particular, because 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 regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change would remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanisms of, a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protect investors and the public interest by expanding the number of registered brokers-dealers that would be eligible to become Trading Permit holders and trade on the Exchange, while maintaining high regulatory standards and a comprehensive regulatory regime with respect to such firms. Exchange Rule 200(d) was too restrictive by limiting membership in another registered national securities exchange to only registered options exchanges and, therefore, unnecessarily precluded broker-dealers who were members of a registered equities exchange

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Rule 17d-1 of the Act authorizes the Commission to name a single Self-Regulatory Organization ("SRO") as the Designated Examining Authority ("DEA") to examine members of more than one SRO ("common member") for compliance with the financial responsibility requirements imposed by the Exchange Act, or by Commission or SRO rules. 17 CFR 240.17d-1. The Exchange does not currently act as the DEA for any Trading Permit holder.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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from becoming Trading Permit holders. As mentioned above, Exchange Rule 200(d) will continue to require Trading Permit holders to be FINRA members where the registered national securities exchange that they maintain membership is not designated by the Commission to examine members for compliance with financial responsibility rules pursuant to Rule 17d-1 of the Exchange Act. This will ensure that those Trading Permit holders that are not FINRA members maintain membership at a registered options or equities exchange that may be designated as their DEA by the Commission. The proposed rule change would also contribute to perfecting the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, which outcomes are also consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, by aligning the Exchange's membership requirements more closely with that of its affiliate, PEARL,<sup>10</sup> and those of other national securities exchanges.<sup>11</sup>

The proposed rule change would also not unfairly discriminate between or among market participants because both current and prospective Trading Permit holders would be subject to the rule. All Trading Permit holders would be regulated in the same manner by the Exchange should they be a member of another registered national options or equities exchange.

#### 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 that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is designed to enhance competition by expanding the number of registered brokers-dealers that would be eligible to become Trading Permit holders and trade on the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 91146 (February 17, 2021), 86 FR 11022 (February 23, 2021) (SR-PEARL-2021-03).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See supra note 5.

Exchange by aligning Exchange Rule 200(d) with that of other national securities exchanges.<sup>12</sup>

## 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. <u>Extension of Time Period for Commission Action</u>

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>13</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>14</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 rule change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest because it would expand the number of broker-dealers eligible to become Trading Permit holders. Doing so would provide additional market participants access to the Exchange, which, in turn, is anticipated to improve the Exchange's overall market quality through increased order flow and enhanced liquidity. The proposed rule change would align Exchange Rule 200(d) with that of an identical change recently filed by its affiliate, PEARL, with the Commission for immediate effectiveness.<sup>15</sup> The proposed rule

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> <u>Id</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>15</sup> <u>See supra note 10.</u>

change would also align Exchange Rule 200(d) with that of other national securities exchanges.<sup>16</sup> Therefore, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change does not raise any new or novel regulatory issues that have not been already considered by the Commission.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of the filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(ii), the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the operative delay to permit the Exchange to immediately expand the number of broker-dealers eligible to become Trading Permit holders and align its membership requirements with that of other national securities exchanges.<sup>17</sup>

For the foregoing reasons, this rule filing qualifies as a "non-controversial" rule change under Rule 19b-4(f)(6), which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing with the Commission. 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 or of the Commission</u>

The proposed rule change is based on an identical change recently filed by its affiliate, PEARL, with the Commission for immediate effectiveness.<sup>18</sup> The proposed rule change is also based on the Cboe Equity Exchanges' Rule 2.5(a)(4), MEMX Rule 2.5(a)(4), IEX Rule 2.130(a),

<sup>16</sup> <u>See supra note 5.</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> <u>Id</u>.

<sup>18</sup> <u>See supra note 10.</u>

LTSE Rule 2.130 and BOX Rule 2020(a). There are no differences between the proposed rule change and the rules of the other exchanges mention in the preceding sentence.

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

Not applicable.

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

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-MIAX-2021-03)

March\_\_\_\_, 2021

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC to Amend Exchange Rule 200, Trading Permits

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 March \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, Miami

International Securities Exchange, LLC ("MIAX Options" or the "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 to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) requiring

membership in another national securities exchange or association.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at

http://www.miaxoptions.com/rule-filings/ at MIAX Options' 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 Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) requiring membership in another national securities exchange or association. In sum, Exchange Rule 200(d) currently requires that Trading Permit<sup>3</sup> holders be a member in another registered options exchange, other than the Exchange's affiliates, MIAX Emerald, LLC ("Emerald") or MIAX PEARL, LLC ("PEARL"), or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") where such other registered options exchange has not been designated by the Commission, pursuant to Rule 17d-1 under the Exchange Act, to examine Members for compliance with financial responsibility rules. Exchange Rule 200(d), therefore, does not allow a Trading Permit Holder that is not a FINRA member<sup>4</sup> to satisfy this requirement by being a member of a registered options exchange is unnecessarily too restrictive and is also not in line with similar membership requirements at other exchanges.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The term "Trading Permit" means a permit issued by the Exchange that confers the ability to transact on the Exchange. <u>See</u> Exchange Rule 100.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A Trading Permit Holder that does not transact business with the public is not required to become a FINRA member. Section 15(b)(8) of the Act that requires members that transact business with the public to be a member of FINRA. 15 U.S.C. 78<u>o</u>(b)(8).

<sup>5</sup> See Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. ("EDGX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. ("EDGA") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. ("BZX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. ("BYX", collectively with EDGX, EDGA, and BZX, the "Cboe Equity Exchanges") Rule 2.5(a)(4), MEMX LLC ("MEMX") Rule 2.5(a)(4), Investors

enable more broker-dealers to become Trading Permit holders, the Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 200(d) to require membership in a registered national securities exchange, rather than only registered options exchanges.<sup>6</sup> Exchange Rule 200(d) will continue to require Trading Permit holders to be FINRA members where the registered national securities exchange that they maintain membership is not designated by the Commission to examine members for compliance with financial responsibility rules pursuant to Rule 17d-1 of the Exchange Act.<sup>7</sup>

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

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>8</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5),<sup>9</sup> in particular, because 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 regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

Exchange, Inc. ("IEX") Rule 2.130(a), Long Term Stock Exchange, Inc. ("LTSE") Rule 2.130 and BOX Exchange LLC ("BOX") Rule 2020(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Exchange also propose to include the phrase "or FINRA" at the end of Exchange Rule 200(d)'s title and to not capitalize the word "holder" in the first sentence of the rule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Rule 17d-1 of the Act authorizes the Commission to name a single Self-Regulatory Organization ("SRO") as the Designated Examining Authority ("DEA") to examine members of more than one SRO ("common member") for compliance with the financial responsibility requirements imposed by the Exchange Act, or by Commission or SRO rules. 17 CFR 240.17d-1. The Exchange does not currently act as the DEA for any Trading Permit holder.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change would remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanisms of, a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protect investors and the public interest by expanding the number of registered brokers-dealers that would be eligible to become Trading Permit holders and trade on the Exchange, while maintaining high regulatory standards and a comprehensive regulatory regime with respect to such firms. Exchange Rule 200(d) was too restrictive by limiting membership in another registered national securities exchange to only registered options exchanges and, therefore, unnecessarily precluded broker-dealers who were members of a registered equities exchange from becoming Trading Permit holders. As mentioned above, Exchange Rule 200(d) will continue to require Trading Permit holders to be FINRA members where the registered national securities exchange that they maintain membership is not designated by the Commission to examine members for compliance with financial responsibility rules pursuant to Rule 17d-1 of the Exchange Act. This will ensure that those Trading Permit holders that are not FINRA members maintain membership at a registered options or equities exchange that may be designated as their DEA by the Commission. The proposed rule change would also contribute to perfecting the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, which outcomes are also consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, by aligning the Exchange's membership requirements more closely with that of its affiliate, PEARL,<sup>10</sup> and those of other national securities exchanges.<sup>11</sup>

The proposed rule change would also not unfairly discriminate between or among market participants because both current and prospective Trading Permit holders would be subject to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> <u>See</u> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 91146 (February 17, 2021), 86 FR 11022 (February 23, 2021) (SR-PEARL-2021-03).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> <u>See supra note 5.</u>

rule. All Trading Permit holders would be regulated in the same manner by the Exchange should they be a member of another registered national options or equities exchange.

#### 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 that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed rule change is designed to enhance competition by expanding the number of registered brokers-dealers that would be eligible to become Trading Permit holders and trade on the Exchange by aligning Exchange Rule 200(d) with that of other national securities exchanges.<sup>12</sup>

#### 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>13</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)<sup>14</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

Id.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</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 (<u>http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</u>);
   or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-MIAX-2021-03 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-MIAX-2021-03. 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-MIAX-2021-03 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>15</sup>

> Vanessa Countryman Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

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#### MIAMI INTERNATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE, LLC Rules

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**Rule 200.** Trading Permits

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(d) **Membership in Another Registered [Options]**<u>National Securities</u> Exchange or FINRA. Every Trading Permit [H]<u>h</u>older must have and maintain membership in another registered [options]<u>national securities</u> exchange other than MIAX Emerald or MIAX PEARL (that is not registered solely under Section 6(g) of the Exchange Act). If such other registered [options]<u>national securities</u> exchange has not been designated by the Commission, pursuant to Rule 17d-1 under the Exchange Act, to examine Members for compliance with financial responsibility rules, then such Applicant must have and maintain a membership in FINRA.

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