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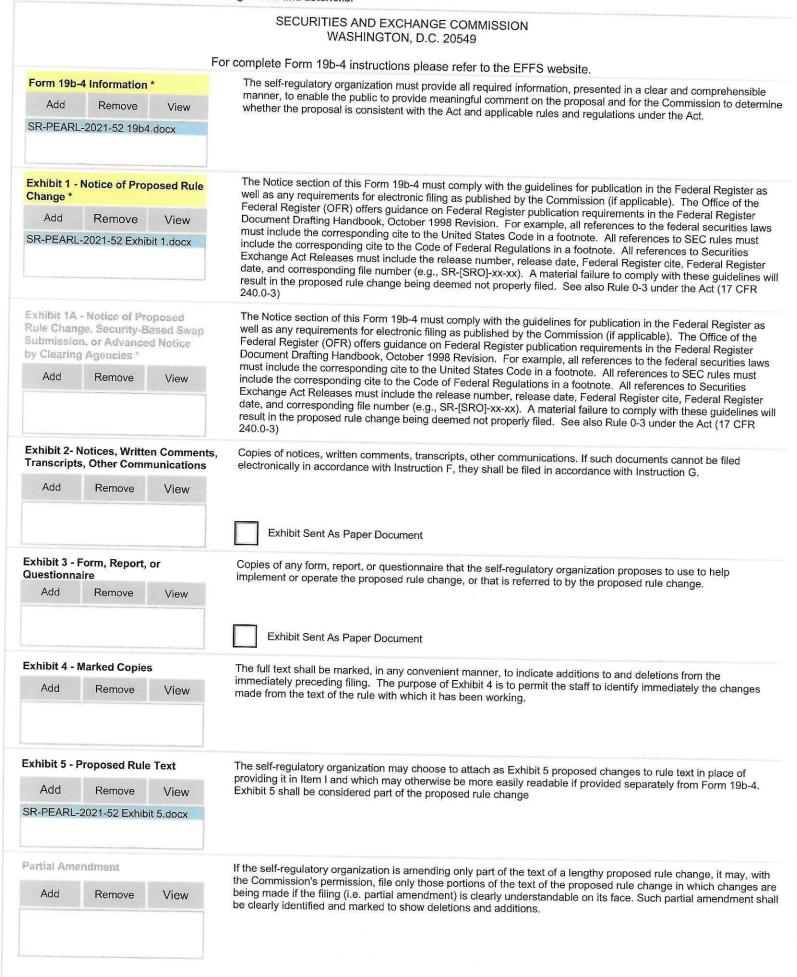
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1. <u>Text of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

(a) MIAX PEARL, LLC ("MIAX Pearl" 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 501, Days and Hours of Business, Interpretation and Policy .02, to make Juneteenth National Independence Day a holiday of the Exchange. Juneteenth National Independence Day was designated a legal public holiday in June 2021.

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 changes were approved by the Chief Executive Officer of the Exchange or his designee pursuant to authority delegated by the MIAX Pearl Board of Directors on January 28, 2021. 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 Katherine Comly, Legal Associate, at (609) 613-1396.

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>

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 501, Days and Hours of Business, Interpretation and Policy .02, to make Juneteenth National Independence Day a holiday of the Exchange. On June 17, 2021, Juneteenth National Independence Day was designated a legal public holiday.³ Consistent with broad industry sentiment⁴ and the approach recommended by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association ("SIFMA"),⁵ the Exchange proposes to add "Juneteenth National Independence Day" to the existing list of holidays in Exchange Rule 501, Interpretation and Policy .02. As a result, the Exchange will not be open for business on Juneteenth National Independence Day, which falls on June 19 of each year. In accordance with Exchange Rule 501, Interpretation and Policy .02, when the holiday falls on a Saturday, the Exchange will not be open for business on the preceding Friday, and when it falls on a Sunday, the Exchange will not be open for business on the succeeding Monday.⁶

The first sentence of Interpretation and Policy .02 would read as follows (proposed

additions <u>underlined</u>):

The Board of Directors has determined that the Exchange will not be open for business on New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, <u>Juneteenth National Independence Day</u>, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day.

b. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

⁵ SIFMA recommends a full market close in observance of Juneteenth National Independence Day. <u>See https://www.sifma.org/resources/general/holiday-schedule/</u>. <u>See also https://www.sifma.org/resources/news/sifma-revises-2022-fixed-income-market-close-recommendations-in-the-u-s-to-include-full-close-for-juneteenth-national-independence-day/</u>.

³ Public Law No. 117-17.

⁴ <u>See, e.g.</u>, <u>https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-06-18/bofa-makes-juneteenth-a-holiday-joining-jpmorgan-wells-fargo?sref=HhuelscO</u>.

⁶ Exchange Rule 501. There is an exception to the practice if unusual business conditions exist. <u>Id.</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁷ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act⁸ 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 regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and 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 the proposed change promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediment to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system because the proposed rule change would clearly state that the Exchange will not be open for business on Juneteenth National Independence Day, which is a federal holiday, and would address what day would be taken off if June 19 fell on a Saturday or Sunday. The change would thereby promote clarity and transparency in the Exchange's Rules by updating the list of holidays of the Exchange. The proposed rule change was based on recent proposals by NYSE Arca, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE American LLC, NYSE Chicago, Inc., and NYSE National, Inc.⁹ Therefore, the proposed change does not raise any new or novel issues. For these reasons, the Exchange believes that the proposal is consistent with the Act.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 93186 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55041 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSEArca-2021-85); 93183 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55068 (October 5, 2021)(SR-NYSE-2021-56); 93187(September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55069(October 5, 2021)(SR-NYSEAmer-2021-39); 93182 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55083 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSECHX-2021-13); 93179(September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55033 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSENAT-2021-18).

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

In accordance with Section 6(b)(8) of the Act,¹⁰ the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed change is not designed to address any competitive issue but rather to amend the Exchange Rule regarding days and hours of business.

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 Act¹¹ and Rule $19b-4(f)(6)^{12}$ 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 change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest or impose any significant burden on competition because the change would result in the rules of the Exchange clearly stating that the Exchange

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(8).

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

will not be open for business on Juneteenth National Independence Day, which is a federal holiday, and would address what day would be taken off if June 19 fell on a Saturday or Sunday. The change would thereby promote clarity and transparency in the Exchange Rules. The proposed change is not designed to address any competitive issue but rather to amend the Exchange Rule regarding holidays. The proposed rule change was based on recent proposals by NYSE Arca, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE American LLC, NYSE Chicago, Inc., and NYSE National, Inc.¹³ Further, the Exchange believes the proposed change does not impose any significant burden on competition because it does not raise any new or novel regulatory issues. Accordingly, because the proposed rule change does not introduce any new regulatory issues, the Exchange has filed this rule filing as non-controversial under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁴ and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder.¹⁵

The Exchange respectfully requests that the Commission waive the 30-day delayed operative date so that the proposed rule change may become effective and operative upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁶ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹⁷ thereunder. The Exchange believes that such waiver would be consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the requested waiver would ensure that the rules of the Exchange would more immediately evidence the updated list of holidays. The Exchange and its affiliates, Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC and MIAX Emerald, LLC, typically announce their schedules to market participants through a press release and posting them on the

¹³ <u>See supra note 9.</u>

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

Exchange's website at least one year in advance.¹⁸ Waiving the operative delay would allow the Exchange to announce and post the amended schedule more quickly.

For the foregoing reasons, the rule filing qualifies for immediate effectiveness as a "noncontroversial" rule change under paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4. At any time within 60 days of the filing of such 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 under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.¹⁹

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

The proposed rule change was based on recent proposals by NYSE Arca, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE American LLC, NYSE Chicago, Inc., and NYSE National, Inc.²⁰

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.

¹⁸ <u>See</u> "Trade Hours & Calendar" at <u>https://www.miaxoptions.com/trade-hours-</u> <u>calendar/pearl</u> (listing the 2021 and 2022 Exchange holidays).

¹⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).

 $[\]frac{20}{20}$ <u>See supra note 9.</u>

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-PEARL-2021-52)

October__, 2021

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by MIAX PEARL, LLC to Amend Exchange Rule 501, Days and Hours of Business, to Make Juneteenth National Independence Day a Holiday of the 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 notice is hereby given that on October 22, 2021, MIAX

PEARL, LLC ("MIAX Pearl)" 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 Exchange Rule 501, Days and Hours of

Business, Interpretation and Policy .02, to make Juneteenth National Independence Day a

holiday of the Exchange. Juneteenth National Independence Day was designated a legal public

holiday in June 2021.

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

http://www.miaxoptions.com/rule-filings/pearl at MIAX Pearl'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>

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 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. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. <u>Purpose</u>

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 501, Days and Hours of Business, Interpretation and Policy .02, to make Juneteenth National Independence Day a holiday of the Exchange. On June 17, 2021, Juneteenth National Independence Day was designated a legal public holiday.³ Consistent with broad industry sentiment⁴ and the approach recommended by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association ("SIFMA"),⁵ the Exchange proposes to add "Juneteenth National Independence Day" to the existing list of holidays in Exchange Rule 501, Interpretation and Policy .02. As a result, the Exchange will not be open for business on Juneteenth National Independence Day, which falls on June 19 of each year. In accordance with Exchange Rule 501, Interpretation and Policy .02, when the holiday falls on a Saturday, the

³ Public Law No. 117-17.

⁴ <u>See, e.g., https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-06-18/bofa-makes-juneteenth-a-holiday-joining-jpmorgan-wells-fargo?sref=HhuelscO</u>.

⁵ SIFMA recommends a full market close in observance of Juneteenth National Independence Day. <u>See https://www.sifma.org/resources/general/holiday-schedule/</u>. <u>See</u> also <u>https://www.sifma.org/resources/news/sifma-revises-2022-fixed-income-marketclose-recommendations-in-the-u-s-to-include-full-close-for-juneteenth-nationalindependence-day/.</u>

Exchange will not be open for business on the preceding Friday, and when it falls on a Sunday,

the Exchange will not be open for business on the succeeding Monday.⁶

The first sentence of Interpretation and Policy .02 would read as follows (proposed additions <u>underlined</u>):

The Board of Directors has determined that the Exchange will not be open for business on New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, <u>Juneteenth National Independence Day</u>, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day.

2. <u>Statutory Basis</u>

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁷ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act⁸ 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 regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and 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 the proposed change promotes just and equitable principles of trade and removes impediment to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system because the proposed rule change would clearly state that the Exchange will not be open for business on Juneteenth National Independence Day, which is a federal holiday, and would address what day would be taken off if June 19 fell on a Saturday or Sunday. The change would thereby promote clarity and transparency in the Exchange's Rules by

⁶ Exchange Rule 501. There is an exception to the practice if unusual business conditions exist. <u>Id.</u>

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

updating the list of holidays of the Exchange. The proposed rule change was based on recent proposals by NYSE Arca, Inc., New York Stock Exchange LLC, NYSE American LLC, NYSE Chicago, Inc., and NYSE National, Inc.⁹ Therefore, the proposed change does not raise any new or novel issues. For these reasons, the Exchange believes that the proposal is consistent with the Act.

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

In accordance with Section 6(b)(8) of the Act,¹⁰ the Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. The proposed change is not designed to address any competitive issue but rather to amend the Exchange Rule regarding days and hours of business.

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

See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 93186 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55041 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSEArca-2021-85); 93183 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55068 (October 5, 2021)(SR-NYSE-2021-56); 93187(September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55069(October 5, 2021)(SR-NYSEAmer-2021-39); 93182 (September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55083 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSECHX-2021-13); 93179(September 30, 2021), 86 FR 55033 (October 5, 2021) (SR-NYSENAT-2021-18).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(8).

Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹¹ and Rule $19b-4(f)(6)^{12}$ 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 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-PEARL-2021-52 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹² 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.

 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-PEARL-2021-52. 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-PEARL-2021-52 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.¹³

Vanessa Countryman Secretary

EXHIBIT 5

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MIAX Pearl Options Exchange Rules

Rule 501. Days and Hours of Business

No change.

Interpretations and Policies:

.01 No change.

.02 The Board has determined that the Exchange will not be open for business on New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth National Independence Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day. The Board has also determined that, in most circumstances when a holiday observed by the Exchange falls on a Saturday, the Exchange will not be open for business on the preceding Friday, and that when a holiday observed by the Exchange falls on a Sunday, the Exchange will not be open for business on the following Monday.
