# MIAX Pearl Equities Member Application



Firm Name:

**Application Contact:** 

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

An Applicant for membership on MIAX Pearl, LLC, for purposes of participating on MIAX Pearl Equities as an Equity Member ("MIAX Pearl Equities" or the "Exchange") must complete this Member Application form, including Sections I through VII. Applicants applying for an Equities Market Maker membership must complete Section VIII. The completed Membership Application form, including an executed copy of the User Agreement and supplemental filings requested herein should be sent via electronic or certified or first class mail to:

#### **MIAX Pearl Equities**

7 Roszel Road, Ste. 1A Princeton, NJ 08540 Attention: Member Services

609-897-1479 memberservices@miami-holdings.com

Application fees will be billed electronically post-approval and are non-refundable.

Persons associated with the Applicant are subject to investigation by the Exchange and may be required to appear in person before the Exchange. The Exchange may also require any person associated with a Member who may possess information relevant to the Applicant's suitability to be a Member to provide information or testimony.

The Exchange will determine whether to approve an application. Written notice of the action of the Exchange, specifying in the case of disapproval of an application the grounds therefore, shall be provided to the Applicant.

If the application process is not completed within six (6) months of the filing of the application form and payment of the appropriate fee, the application shall be deemed to be automatically withdrawn.

\* Every Equity Member shall at all times maintain membership in another registered exchange that is not registered solely under Section 6(g) of the Exchange Act or with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). Equity Members that transact business with public customers shall at all times be members of FINRA. If such other registered 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.

# I. Firm Information

A Member of the Exchange may be a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or sole proprietorship organized under the laws of a jurisdiction of the United States, or such other jurisdiction as the Exchange may approve. Each Member must be a brokerdealer registered pursuant to Section 15 of the Exchange Act and meet the qualifications for a Member in accordance with Rules of the Exchange applicable thereto. Each Member must prepare and maintain financial and other reports required to be filed with the SEC and the Exchange in English and U.S. dollars, and ensure the availability of an individual fluent in English and knowledgeable in securities and financial matters to assist representatives of the Exchange during examinations.

An Equity Member is a Member authorized by the Exchange to transact business on MIAX Pearl Equities.

Every Member shall have as the principal purpose of being a Member the conduct of a securities business. Such a purpose shall be deemed to exist if and so long as the Member has qualified and acts in respect of its business on the Exchange in one or more of the following capacities, as applicable: Equities Market Maker and/or Equities Order Entry Firm.

Address:			
City/State/Zip Code:			
Telephone:	Fax:		
Website Address:			
Is Applicant affiliated with a MIAX Member Firm?		Yes	No
If yes, list Member Firm(s):			
Is Applicant affiliated with a MIAX Pearl Member Firm?		Yes	No
If yes, list Member Firm(s):			
Is Applicant affiliated with a MIAX Emerald Member Firm?		Yes	No
If yes, list Member Firm(s):			

# II. Type of Business Activity (indicate all that apply)

#### **MIAX Pearl Equities Member**

Equities Market Maker - Please also complete Section VIII

Equities Order Entry Firm

**Clearing Firm** 

Sponsored User

Self-Clearing #(s):

Clearing Arrangement with #(s):

#### **Trading Categories:**

Proprietary Trading

Transact Business with the Public

Other

## III. Primary Firm Contacts (attach additional names as needed)

#### **Registrations Contact:**

	Authorized Signer
C	CRD #:
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#### **Billing Contact:**

Name: Title: Authorized Signer Email: Telephone: CRD #:

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#### Please provide the following contact information if not previously provided on Pre-Application Survey Form:

<b>Technical Contact:</b>	
Name:	
Title:	Authorized Signer
Email:	
Telephone:	CRD #:
Trading Contact:	
Name:	
Title:	Authorized Signer
Email:	
Telephone:	CRD #:

#### **Qualification and Registration of Members and Associated Persons**

Responsible Person:	
Name:	
Title:	Authorized Signer
Email:	
Telephone:	CRD #:

### #1) Registered Supervisor of Authorized $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Person}}(s)$ - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Series}}$ 7 and 57

or an equivalent foreign examination module approved by the Exchange:

Name:		
Title:		Authorized Signer
Email:		
Telephone:	CRD #:	

#### #2) Registered Supervisor of Authorized Person(s) - Series 7 and 57

or an equivalent foreign examination module approved by the Exchange:

Name:	
Title:	Authorized Signer
Email:	
Telephone:	CRD #:

#### **Chief Compliance Officer:**

Name:		
Title:		Authorized Signer
Email:		
Telephone:	CRD #:	
Financial & Operations Pr	incipal (FINOP Series 27):	
Financial & Operations Pr Name:	incipal (FINOP Series 27):	
-	incipal (FINOP Series 27):	Authorized Signer
Name:	incipal (FINOP Series 27):	Authorized Signer

Each Member is required to designate, and identify to the Exchange, a person or persons responsible for implementing and monitoring the day-to-day operations and internal controls of the Member's anti-money laundering program. A Member must provide prompt notice to the Exchange regarding any change in this designation. If applicant is a member of FINRA, it is required to comply with FINRA Rule 3310. Notification of changes to this designation need not be filed with the Exchange if the Member complies with such FINRA rule.

AML Officer:	
Name:	
Title:	Authorized Signer
Email:	
Telephone:	CRD #:

# **IV.** Regulatory

For following Sections, attach response statement(s) as needed.

a) Form BD: *current copy.* SEC # 8-:

#### Firm CRD: #

- b) A list of Self-Regulatory Organizations ("SRO") of which Applicant is a member.
- c) Applicant's designated examining authority ("DEA").
- d) A statement indicating whether Applicant is currently, or has been in the last 10 years, the subject of any investigation or disciplinary proceeding conducted by any SRO, or by any federal or state securities or futures regulatory agency or commission, regarding Applicant's activities that are not disclosed on Applicant's Form BD.
  - If so, the statement must include all relevant details, including any sanctions imposed.
- e) A statement indicating whether any person listed on Schedule A of Applicant's Form BD is currently, or has been in the last 10 years, the subject of any investigation or disciplinary proceeding conducted by any SRO, or by any federal or state securities or futures regulatory agency or commission, regarding Applicant's activities that is not disclosed on a Form U-4 for such individuals.
  - If so, the statement must include all relevant details, including any sanctions imposed.
- f) Appropriate registration on Web CRD of individuals on Schedule A of Applicant's Form BD. If Applicant does not have access to Web CRD, provide a copy of Form U-4 for those individuals on Schedule A of Applicant's Form BD in those cases where such individuals are subject to Form U-4 reporting.
- g) Appropriate registration on Web CRD of duly qualified Authorized Trader(s) Series 7 and Series 57 or an equivalent foreign examination module approved by the Exchange.
- h) Identify person(s) primarily responsible for supervising trading and/or market making activities, including CRD numbers.
- i) Associated Person registrant(s) Rules Chapter XXIII.
- j) Sponsored User Identify person or entity that has entered into an arrangement with the Applicant to provide access for order routing to the Exchange(s). *If applicable, copy of agreement and list of Authorized Traders. A Sponsored Access Agreement and User Agreement will need to be completed and filed separately.*
- k) Procedures: current copy
  - 1) Exchange trading activities:
  - Clearing: For Applicants that propose to clear market maker transactions effected on the Exchange, a copy of Applicant's written procedures for assessing and monitoring potential risks to capital over a specified range of market movements of positions.
  - 3) Information Barrier
  - 4) Business Continuity Planning
- I) Date of Applicant's last examination during which supervisory procedures were reviewed. *Please provide copy of disposition findings.*

### V. Organizational Structure (Attach response statement(s) as needed.)

a) Type of Organization:

Corporation	Limited Liability Company
Partnership	Sole Proprietorship

- b) State of Organization: Federal Tax ID:
- c) A copy of Applicant's partnership agreement, LLC operating agreement, charter, by-laws or equivalent documents and copies of state filings.
- d) An organizational supervisory chart, including the names of Applicant's chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, and chief compliance officer.
- e) A listing of the office(s) from which Applicant will conduct its Exchange market making activity.
- f) Does Applicant Firm have a direct parent? Parent firm's name:
- g) Has Applicant and/or its predecessor organizations ever operated under another name?

### VI. Business and Operating Information (Attach response statement(s) as needed.)

- a) A copy of any contract or agreement with another broker-dealer, a bank, a clearing entity, a service bureau or a similar entity to provide Applicant with services regarding the execution or clearance and settlement of transactions effected on the Exchange (*Ex.: NSCC, securities routing agreement, clearing agreement, joint back office, etc.*)
- b) The NSCC member through which Applicant will clear transactions effected on the Exchange (if Applicant is self-clearing, so indicate).
- c) Please provide. Error Account Information:
- d) MPID(s):
- e) A brief description of:
  - Applicant's **proposed trading activities** on the Exchange, such as whether it will act as a market-maker, enter customer or proprietary orders or conduct block trading activities, etc.
  - The manner in which Applicant **receives and sends orders**, such as through electronic proprietary devices, internal orderprocessing systems or through third-party order routing services.
  - If Applicant will be conducting "Other Business Activities", a statement describing such activities.
  - If applicable, identify any new procedures that will be implemented for new types of business the firm plans to launch.
- f) Brokers' Blanket Bond: If applicable, copy of.
- g) Sharing of Offices & Wire Connections Arrangements: If applicable, copy of agreement.
- h) Margin Requirements: Statement as to whether the firm is bound by margin rule of the Chicago Board of Options Exchange or the New York Stock Exchange, if either.
- i) User Agreement
- j) Clearing Letter of Guarantee

### VII. Financial Disclosure (attach response statement(s) as needed)

- a) Copy of Applicant's most recent "FOCUS Report" (Form X-17A-5) filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Exchange Act (the most current Parts I, II, and IIA, as applicable).
- b) Applicant's financial Balance Sheet, current copy.
- c) A Financial Reporting Declaration Statement from Applicant's CFO regarding the content in (b) above.

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- d) Name, address and contact information for Applicant's independent public accountant.
- e) If any other person will guarantee the transactions Applicant will effect on the Exchange, attach a statement indicating the name of the guarantor and the nature of the guarantee.
- f) Financial arrangement(s) disclosing the source and amount of Applicant's capital to support its trading and/or market making activities on the Exchange, and the source of any additional capital that may become necessary.
- g) If Applicant intends to raise additional capital to finance its business on the Exchange, attach a statement indicating the source and amount of such capital.
- h) Debt(s) to Exchanges and/or Exchange Members (verbal and written).
- i) Does the organization owe any monies to the Exchange, another national securities exchange, a national securities association, a national futures association, or a commodities exchange that are overdue *(including but not limited to any overdue fees, charges, dues, assessments, fines or other amounts)*?

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		Yes	NO	
	If yes, to whom:			Amount: \$
	Describe: (Attach statement)			
j)	Have satisfactory arrangements been made t	to repay this debt?		
		Yes	No	
	If yes, to whom:			Amount: \$
	Describe: (Attach statement)			
	K) Does the organization owe any monies to any Exchange Permit Holder, or any member of another national securities exchange, a national securities association, a national futures association, or a commodities exchange?			
		Yes	No	
	If yes, to whom:			Amount: \$
	Describe: (Attach statement)			
I)	Have satisfactory arrangements been made t	to repay this debt?		
		Yes	No	
	If yes, to whom:			Amount: \$
	Describe: (Attach statement)			

### VIII. Equities Market Maker Membership (attach response statement(s) as needed)

- a) List of other SROs at which firm is a Market Maker including:
  - Securities for each SRO and trading designation including dealer and/or specialist.
- b) List of Market Makers and CRD qualifying registrations
- c) List of Authorized Traders and CRD qualifying registrations
- d) MPID(s):
- e) Please provide: Error Account Information:
- f) Written supervisory procedures related to equity market making.

### IX. Attestation, Consent to Jurisdiction and Authorization of Membership

Application-Firm:

- a) The Applicant agrees that it will abide by the By-Laws and Rules of the Exchange as amended from time to time, and by all circulars, notices, directives or decisions the Exchange adopts pursuant to or made in accordance with its Rules.
- b) The Applicant agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of the Exchange [Exchange Rules 1000 and 200(g)] in matters related to conducting of business on and access to the Exchange including rulings, orders, decisions, directives, investigations, disciplinary actions, prohibitions, limitations, penalties, and arbitrations, subject to right of appeal or review as provided by law.
- c) The Applicant may be the subject of an investigative and/or background checks, and therefore authorizes any SRO, Commodities Exchange, former employer and other persons to furnish to the Exchange, upon its request, any information that such person or entity may have concerning the character, ability, business activities, reputation and employment history of Applicant or its Associated Persons, and releases such person or entity from any and all liability in furnishing such information to the Exchange.
- d) The Applicant authorizes the Exchange to make available to any governmental agency, SRO, commodities exchange or similar entity, any information the Exchange may have concerning Applicant or its Associated Persons, and releases the Exchange from any and all liability in furnishing such information.
- e) The Applicant agrees to pay all dues, fees, assessments, and other charges in the manner and amount as shall from time to time be fixed by the Exchange.
- f) The Applicant certifies that all Associated Persons required to be fingerprinted have been fingerprinted and affirms that it is not associated with a person subject to a statutory disqualification, unless such individual's association is approved by an SRO.
- g) The undersigned represents that all the information contained in the Membership Application Form and supplemental materials it has submitted to the Exchange is true, complete and accurate and may be verified by investigation.
- h) The Applicant agrees to promptly update its application materials if any of the information provided is or becomes inaccurate or incomplete after the date of submission of its application to the Exchange and prior to its approval.
- i) As a condition of membership, the Applicant-Firm agrees to notify the Exchange of any substantive change(s) to itself or its association with an affiliated firm, including but not limited to, statutory disqualification, censure, a cease and desist order, refusal of registration, expulsion, or other disciplinary action, suspension, investigation, arbitration or litigation related to material allegation(s) of violation(s) of securities or commodities law or regulation, bankruptcy or contempt proceeding, injunction or civil judgment or conviction(s), change in control status or any other pertinent circumstance under the provisions of the Security Act of 1934.
- j) The undersigned attests that he/she is authorized on behalf of Applicant-Firm to make this application to the Exchange.

Print Name:	

Signature:

Date:

Title:

# Definitions

For purposes of this application, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

**Applicant** – the Person applying to become a Member of the Exchange for purposes of participating on MIAX Pearl Equities as an Equity Member.

Associated Person – any partner, officer, director, or branch manager of a Member (or any person occupying a similar status or performing similar functions), any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with a Member, or any employee of a Member, except that any person associated with a Member whose functions are solely clerical or ministerial shall not be included in the meaning of such term for purposes of these Rules.

Authorized Trader – For purpose of MIAX Pearl Equities, the term "Authorized Trader" or "AT" shall mean a person who may submit orders (or who supervises a routing engine that may automatically submit orders) to the Exchange's trading facilities on behalf of his or her Member or Sponsored User.

Broker - The term "broker" shall have the same meaning as in Section 3(a)(4) of the Exchange Act.

**Central Registration Depository ("Web CRD®" or "CRD")** – a centralized electronic registration system maintained by FINRA which provides information on registered representatives and principals for members of participant organizations. This database contains employment history, exam scores, licensing information, disciplinary actions, fingerprint results, and other related registration information.

**Control** – the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of a person, unless such power is solely the result of an official position with such person. Any person who owns beneficially, directly or indirectly, more than 20% of the voting power in the election of directors of a corporation, or more than 25% of the voting power in the election of directors of any other corporation which directly or through one or more affiliates owns beneficially more than 25% of the voting power in the election of directors of such corporation, shall be presumed to control such corporation.

Dealer - The term "dealer" shall have the same meaning as in Section 3(a)(5) of the Exchange Act.

**Designated Examining Authority ("DEA")** – The term "designated examining authority" shall mean a self-regulatory organization, other than the Exchange, designated by the Commission under Section 17(d) of the Exchange Act to enforce compliance by Equity Members with Exchange Rules.

Equities Market Maker – The term "Equities Market Maker" shall mean an Equity Member that acts as a Market Maker in Equity Securities, pursuant to Chapter XXVI.

**Equities Order Entry Firm** – The term "Equities Order Entry Firm", "Order Entry Firm", or "OEF", shall mean those Equity Members representing orders as agent on MIAX Pearl Equities and those non-Equities Market Maker Members conducting proprietary trading.

Equity Member - The term "Equity Member" is a Member authorized by the Exchange to transact business on MIAX Pearl Equities.

**Equity Securities** – The term "Equity Securities" shall include any equity security defined as such pursuant to Rule 3a11-1 under the Exchange Act.

Financial Arrangement - the direct financing of a Market Maker's dealings upon the Exchange.

**Member** – a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or sole proprietorship that is registered with the Exchange pursuant to Chapter II of the Exchange Rules for the purposes of transacting business on the Exchange in one or more of the following capacities: (i) an "Equities Market Maker" and/or (ii) an "Equities Order Entry Firm."

MIAX - Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC.

MIAX Emerald - MIAX Emerald, LLC.

MIAX Pearl - MIAX Pearl, LLC.

**MIAX Pearl Equities** – The term "MIAX Pearl Equities" shall mean MIAX Pearl Equities, an equities trading facility of MIAX Pearl, LLC.

**MIAX Pearl Equities Book** – The term "MIAX Pearl Equities Book" shall mean the electronic book of orders in Equity Securities maintained by the Trading System.

**Person** – a natural person, corporation, partnership (general or limited), limited liability company, association, joint stock company, trust, trustee of a trust fund, or any organized group of persons whether incorporated or not and a government or agency or political subdivision hereof.

**Qualified Clearing Agency** – The term "Qualified Clearing Agency" means a clearing agency registered with the Commission pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act that is deemed qualified by the Exchange.

**Registered Broker or Dealer** – The term "registered broker or dealer" means any registered broker or dealer, as defined in Section 3(a)(48) of the Exchange Act, that is registered with the Commission under the Exchange Act.

**Responsible Person** – an individual designated by an organization that is the holder of a Trading Permit to represent the organization with respect to that Trading Permit in all matters relating to the Exchange. The Responsible Person must be a United States-based officer, director or management-level employee of the Trading Permit holder, who is responsible for the direct supervision and control of Associated Persons of that Trading Permit holder.

**Self-Regulatory Organization ("SRO")** – each exchange or national securities association is an SRO. Each SRO must have rules that provide for the expulsion, suspension and other discipline of member Broker-Dealers for conduct inconsistent with just and equitable principles of trade.

**Sponsored User** – a person or entity (e.g., a customer, another Member or a non-member broker-dealer) that has entered into an arrangement with an Exchange Equity Member ("Sponsoring Member") whereby the Sponsoring Member provides access to the Exchange or otherwise allows such person or entity to route its orders to the Exchange using the Equity Member's market participant identifier ("MPID").

User – The term "User" shall mean any Member or Sponsored User who is authorized to obtain access to the System pursuant to Exchange Rule 2602.

UTP Exchange Traded Products – The term "UTP Exchange Traded Products" refers to derivative securities products that are not listed on the Exchange but that trade on the Exchange pursuant to unlisted trading privileges, including the following: Equity Linked Notes, Investment Company Units, Index-Linked Exchangeable Notes, Equity Gold Shares, Equity Index-Linked Securities, Commodity-Linked Securities, Currency-Linked Securities, Fixed-Income Index-Linked Securities, Futures-Linked Securities, Multifactor-Index-Linked Securities, Trust Certificates, Currency and Index Warrants, Portfolio Depository Receipts, Trust Issued Receipts, Commodity-Based Trust Shares, Currency Trust Shares, Commodity Index Trust Shares, Commodity Futures Trust Shares, Partnership Units, Paired Trust Shares, Trust Units, Managed Fund Shares, and Managed Trust Securities.

**UTP Security** – The term "UTP Security" shall mean an Equity Security that is listed on a national securities exchange other than on the Exchange and that trades on MIAX Pearl Equities pursuant to unlisted trading privileges.