

# Miami International Holdings, Inc. Reports 2018 Trading Results for MIAX Exchange Group; New Market Share and Volume Records Set as MIAX Options and MIAX PEARL Both Exceed 200 Million Contracts Executed

**PRINCETON, N.J., Jan. 7, 2019** – Miami International Holdings, Inc. today reported the 2018 trading activity for its two fully electronic options exchanges – MIAX Options<sup>®</sup> and MIAX PEARL<sup>TM</sup> (together, the MIAX Exchange Group<sup>TM</sup>), with MIAX PEARL and the MIAX Exchange Group setting new market share and volume records over the course of the year.

Trading Volume for MIAX Options and MIAX PEARL, Current Month					Year Ended			
Total Options Contracts	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg	Nov-18	% Chg	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg
Trading Days	19	20		21		251	251	
U.S. Equity Options Industry	376,883,978	295,021,139	27.7%	383,838,299	-1.8%	4,572,482,342	3,689,013,636	23.9%
MIAX Exchange Group	36,720,823	19,065,271	92.6%	35,517,539	3.4%	421,320,501	232,223,967	81.4%
MIAX Options	14,935,763	12,417,341	20.3%	15,275,068	-2.2%	200,711,418	191,153,873	5.0%
MIAX PEARL	21,785,060	6,647,930	227.7%	20,242,471	7.6%	220,609,083	41,070,094	437.2%
Options ADV	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg	Nov-18	% Chg	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg
U.S. Equity Options Industry	19,835,999	14,751,057	34.5%	18,278,014	8.5%	18,217,061	14,697,265	23.9%
MIAX Exchange Group	1,932,675	953,264	102.7%	1,691,311	14.3%	1,678,568	925,195	81.4%
MIAX Options	786,093	620,867	26.6%	727,384	8.1%	799,647	761,569	5.0%
MIAX PEARL	1,146,582	332,397	244.9%	963,927	18.9%	878,921	163,626	437.2%
Market Share	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg	Nov-18	% Chg	Dec-18	Dec-17	% Chg
MIAX Exchange Group	9.74%	6.46%	50.8%	9.25%	5.3%	9.21%	6.30%	46.4%
MIAX Options	3.96%	4.21%	-5.8%	3.98%	-0.4%	4.39%	5.18%	-15.3%
MIAX PEARL	5.78%	2.25%	156.5%	5.27%	9.6%	4.82%	1.11%	333.4%

<b>MIAX</b> PEARL <sup>®</sup>		MIAX PEARL Records		
Single Day	Market Share	6.47%	December 27, 2018	
	Volume	1,693,277	October 11, 2018	
Monthly	Market Share	5.78%	December 2018	
	Volume	26,638,243	October 2018	
Quarterly	Market Share	5.48%	Q4 2018	
	Volume	68,665,774	Q4 2018	

#### 2018 Market Share and Volume Records:

		MIAX Exchange Group Records		
Single Day	Market Share	11.40%	May 23, 2018	
	Volume	2,783,973	October 11, 2018	
Monthly	Market Share	10.23%	June 2018	
	Volume	47,333,382	October 2018	
Quarterly	Market Share	9.71%	Q3 2018	
	Volume	119,571,744	Q4 2018	

# Other 2018 achievements and announcements include:

**MIAX** Options

- Won "Best Infrastructure/Technology Initiative by Exchange/ATS" at the Fund Technology and WSL Awards 2018.
- Began publishing the SPIKES<sup>™</sup> Volatility Index (Ticker: SPIKE) following a successful launch of the Index. SPIKES is a measure of the expected 30-day volatility in the SPDR S&P 500 ETF (SPY), and was created by T3 Index, a research-driven financial indexing firm, as part of a partnership with MIH.
- Received approval from the SEC to list and trade cash-settled options on the SPIKES.

# MIAX PEARL

- Closed its Equity Rights Program (ERP-IV) following its entry into agreements with a number of leading order flow providers and market making MIAX PEARL member firms. MIAX PEARL member firms involved in ERP-IV are Citadel Securities, IMC, Interactive Brokers Group, Morgan Stanley & Co., Optiver US, Simplex Trading, Susquehanna Securities, Two Sigma Securities, Virtu Financial, and Wolverine Trading.
- Celebrated its first launch anniversary on February 6, 2018.

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- Entered into a joint venture with T3 Index pursuant to which MIH obtained an exclusive, worldwide license to develop exchange-traded products based on T3 Index's SPIKES and other indices for all of MIH's exchanges, and a minority ownership interest in T3 Index.
- Received approval on December 20, 2018 from the SEC to launch its third options exchange, MIAX Emerald. MIAX Emerald is expected to join the MIAX Exchange Group on February 22, 2019.
- Announced that the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey granted MIAX's motion to stay the entire litigation filed by Nasdaq against MIAX pending the Patent Trial and Appeal Board's previously granted Covered Business Method Review of all six patents-in-suit.

For further information regarding the MIAX Exchange Group, please visit <u>www.MIAXOptions.com</u> or contact MIAX Trading Operations at <u>TradingOperations@MIAXOptions.com</u>.

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### About MIH and the MIAX Exchange Group

Miami International Holdings, Inc. (MIH) is the parent holding company of Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC (MIAX Options) and MIAX PEARL, LLC (MIAX PEARL and together with MIAX Options, the MIAX Exchange Group), two fully electronic options trading exchanges. MIH is also the parent holding company of MIAX Emerald, LLC (MIAX Emerald), a third options exchange expected to join the MIAX Exchange Group on February 22, 2019.

MIAX Options currently lists and trades options on approximately 2,800 multi-listed classes. MIAX Options' unparalleled system throughput is approximately 38 million quotes per second. The average latency for a single quote on MIAX Options is approximately 17.56 microseconds for a full round trip. At the 99<sup>th</sup> and 99.9<sup>th</sup> percentiles, the latency on MIAX Options is approximately 25.69 and 57.67 microseconds, respectively.

MIAX PEARL launched trading operations on February 6, 2017 and currently lists and trades options on approximately 2,800 multi-listed classes. The average latency for a single order on MIAX PEARL is approximately 24.42 microseconds for a round trip. At the 99<sup>th</sup> and 99.9<sup>th</sup> percentiles, the latency on MIAX PEARL is approximately 32.35 and 60.38 microseconds, respectively.

The MIAX Exchange Group has assembled a team with deep rooted experience in developing, operating and trading on options exchanges, and its trading platforms have been developed in-house and designed from the ground up for the unique functional and performance demands of derivatives trading. MIAX Options, MIAX PEARL and MIAX Emerald (following launch) leverage the MIAX Exchange Group's industry-leading technology and infrastructure to provide their member firms with traditional pricing and pro rata allocation (MIAX Options) and maker-taker pricing and price-time allocation (MIAX PEARL) market structures, as well as a hybrid market structure with maker-taker

pricing and pro rata allocation (MIAX Emerald). The MIAX Exchange Group's executive offices and National Operations Center are located in Princeton, New Jersey. The MIAX Exchange Group also maintains a Miami Operations Center in Miami, Florida, which contains the Miami Annual Meeting and Conference Center and the offices of MIAX Technologies and MIAX Global.

In addition to MIAX PEARL, MIAX Options and MIAX Emerald, MIH is the parent holding company of Miami International Technologies, LLC (MIAX Technologies) and MIAX Global, LLC (MIAX Global). MIAX Technologies is MIH's technology subsidiary for the sale and/or license of the trading technology developed by the MIAX Exchange Group. MIAX Global focuses on merger, acquisition and joint venture activities of MIH. MIAX Global also provides technology and other services outside of North America, with its initial concentration being on Europe and Latin America.

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