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Description

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Amend Exchange Rule 503 to adopt new rule text for the price of routed ISOs to align rule text to the current System behavior

Contact Information

Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.

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Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

(Title *)

Date 05/13/2019 Senior Associate Counsel
 By Gregory P. Ziegler

(Name *)

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.

Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change *

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The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO]-xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)

Exhibit 1A- Notice of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies *

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Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications

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Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire

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Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is referred to by the proposed rule change.

Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies

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The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.

Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text

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The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change.

Partial Amendment

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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.

1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) MIAX Emerald, LLC (“MIAX EMERALD” or the “Exchange”), pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Act” or the “Exchange Act”),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) a proposal to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange.

Notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register 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. 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 Emerald Board of Directors on January 31, 2019. 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 Gregory P. Ziegler, Senior Associate Counsel, at (609) 897-1483.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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

a. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange, to amend subsection (f)(2)(iv)(A)2. to adopt new rule text relating to the price at which an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”) is routed in order to align the rule text to the operation of the System.³

The Exchange’s Opening Process⁴ provides that if the calculated opening price included interest other than solely Exchange interest, the System will broadcast a System Imbalance Message to Exchange Members⁵ and initiate a “Route Timer,”⁶ not to exceed one second. If no new interest is received during the Route Timer, the System will route to other markets disseminating prices better than the Exchange’s opening price, execute marketable interest at the opening price on the Exchange, and route to other markets disseminating prices equal to the Exchange opening price if necessary.⁷ Subsection 2. of this rule states that any order that is routed pursuant to this Rule (Rule 503) will be marked as an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”), as defined in Rule 1400(h), with a limit price equal to the Exchange’s opening price.⁸ An Intermarket Sweep Order is a limit order for an option series that is routed to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid, in the case of a limit order to sell, or any Protected

³ The term “System” means the automated trading system used by the Exchange for the trading of securities. See Exchange Rule 100.

⁴ See Exchange Rule 503(f).

⁵ The term “Member” means an individual or organization approved to exercise the trading rights associated with a Trading Permit. Members are deemed “members” under the Exchange Act. See Exchange Rule 100.

⁶ See Exchange Rule 529(b)(2).

⁷ See Exchange Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A).

⁸ See Exchange Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A)2.

Offer, in the case of a limit order to buy, for the options series with a price that is superior to the limit price of the ISO. A Member may submit an Intermarket Sweep Order to the Exchange only if it has simultaneously routed one or more additional Intermarket Sweep Orders to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid, in the case of a limit order to sell, or Protected Offer, in the case of a limit order to buy, for an options series with a price that is superior to the limit price of the Intermarket Sweep Order. An ISO may be either an Immediate-Or-Cancel Order or an order that expires on the day it is entered.⁹

As described in the Exchange's current rule, the Exchange will route to other markets disseminating prices better than the Exchange's opening price and will also route to other markets disseminating prices equal to the Exchange opening price if necessary.¹⁰ The Exchange recently identified an inconsistency between the Exchange's rule and the Exchange's System behavior regarding the price of these routed orders. Given that the order is being routed to another market center for execution, the limit price of the order being routed should be equal to the away market's displayed price rather than be equal to the Exchange's opening price (although, in certain circumstances the away market's displayed price may be equal to the Exchange's opening price) as currently articulated in the Rule.

The Exchange believes that the System is operating correctly and that the rule text inadvertently described the price being used for these orders as the Exchange's opening price. The Exchange now proposes to amend subsection 2. of Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A) to adopt new rule text to replace the phrase, "Exchange's opening price" with the phrase, "away market's displayed price." The new proposed rule will state that any order that is routed pursuant to this Rule will be marked as an Intermarket Sweep Order ("ISO"), as defined in Rule 1400(h), with a

⁹ See Exchange Rule 1400(h).

¹⁰ See supra note 7.

limit price equal to the away market's displayed price. This proposed change conforms the rule to the System's behavior.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act¹¹ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹² 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.

The Exchange's proposal removes impediments to and perfects the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protects investors and the public interest by ensuring that interest routed as a result of an imbalance on the Exchange during its Opening Process is properly priced for execution. This reduces the risk of trading through¹³ other market centers and promotes just and equitable principles of trade by routing orders to market centers where they may receive an execution.

The Exchange's proposal more accurately describes how the System prices interest being routed pursuant to the Opening Process. The Exchange believes its proposal provides accuracy and clarity to the rule and protects investors and the public interest by clearly and accurately

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹³ A trade-through occurs when one trading center executes an order at a price that is inferior to the price of a protected quotation, often representing an investor limit order, displayed by another trading center.

describing Exchange functionality which may influence investors' decisions concerning the submission of their orders.

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

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.

The Exchange does not believe the proposed rule change will impose any burden on inter-market competition as exchanges routinely route orders to one another and the Exchange has been operating in this fashion since it began operations on March 1, 2019.¹⁴ Additionally, the Exchange does not believe the proposed rule change will impose any burden on inter-market competition as the proposed rule change clarifies current Exchange functionality and is not a competitive filing.

Additionally, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intra-market competition as the Opening Process affects all Members equally, and the specific situation that the proposal addresses occurs only in the limited instance as described herein.

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

No written comments were either solicited or received.

6. 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).

¹⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84891 (December 20, 2018), 83 FR 67421 (December 28, 2018) (File No. 10-233) (order approving application of MIAX Emerald, LLC for registration as a national securities exchange.); See also MIAX Emerald Regulatory Circular 2019-29.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁵ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹⁶ 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's proposal does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest, but rather benefits investors and the public interest as the proposal more accurately describes how the Opening Process handles routable interest by correctly identifying the price at which interest is routed to other market centers. Routing interest to other market centers at their displayed price reduces the likelihood of a trade-through¹⁷ occurring and provides increased opportunities for investors to have their orders executed. Additionally, the Exchange's proposal promotes the protection of investors and the public interest by more accurately describing Exchange functionality.

The Exchange's proposal does not impose any significant burden on competition as exchanges routinely route orders to one another, and each exchange has processes and procedures in place for handling orders received from other exchanges.

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

¹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁷ See supra note 13.

Exchange has satisfied this requirement. Furthermore, a proposed rule change filed pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6) under the Act¹⁸ normally does not become operative for 30 days after the date of its filing.

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. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission

Not applicable.

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.

¹⁸ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-EMERALD-2019-22)

May __, 2019

Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by MIAX Emerald, LLC to Amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on 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 May 13, 2019, MIAX Emerald, LLC (“MIAX Emerald” 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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange is filing a proposal to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s website at <http://www.miaxoptions.com/rule-filings/emerald> at MIAX Emerald’s principal office, and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

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

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Exchange Rule 503, Openings on the Exchange, to amend subsection (f)(2)(iv)(A)2. to adopt new rule text relating to the price at which an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”) is routed in order to align the rule text to the operation of the System.³

The Exchange’s Opening Process⁴ provides that if the calculated opening price included interest other than solely Exchange interest, the System will broadcast a System Imbalance Message to Exchange Members⁵ and initiate a “Route Timer,”⁶ not to exceed one second. If no new interest is received during the Route Timer, the System will route to other markets disseminating prices better than the Exchange’s opening price, execute marketable interest at the opening price on the Exchange, and route to other markets disseminating prices equal to the Exchange opening price if necessary.⁷ Subsection 2. of this rule states that any order that is routed pursuant to this Rule (Rule 503) will be marked as an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”), as defined in Rule 1400(h), with a limit price equal to the Exchange’s opening price.⁸ An

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⁶ See Exchange Rule 529(b)(2).

⁷ See Exchange Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A).

⁸ See Exchange Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A)2.

Intermarket Sweep Order is a limit order for an option series that is routed to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid, in the case of a limit order to sell, or any Protected Offer, in the case of a limit order to buy, for the options series with a price that is superior to the limit price of the ISO. A Member may submit an Intermarket Sweep Order to the Exchange only if it has simultaneously routed one or more additional Intermarket Sweep Orders to execute against the full displayed size of any Protected Bid, in the case of a limit order to sell, or Protected Offer, in the case of a limit order to buy, for an options series with a price that is superior to the limit price of the Intermarket Sweep Order. An ISO may be either an Immediate-Or-Cancel Order or an order that expires on the day it is entered.⁹

As described in the Exchange's current rule, the Exchange will route to other markets disseminating prices better than the Exchange's opening price and will also route to other markets disseminating prices equal to the Exchange opening price if necessary.¹⁰ The Exchange recently identified an inconsistency between the Exchange's rule and the Exchange's System behavior regarding the price of these routed orders. Given that the order is being routed to another market center for execution, the limit price of the order being routed should be equal to the away market's displayed price rather than be equal to the Exchange's opening price (although, in certain circumstances the away market's displayed price may be equal to the Exchange's opening price) as currently articulated in the Rule.

The Exchange believes that the System is operating correctly and that the rule text inadvertently described the price being used for these orders as the Exchange's opening price. The Exchange now proposes to amend subsection 2. of Rule 503(f)(2)(iv)(A) to adopt new rule text to replace the phrase, "Exchange's opening price" with the phrase, "away market's

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¹⁰ See supra note 7.

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2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act¹¹ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act¹² 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.

The Exchange’s proposal removes impediments to and perfects the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, protects investors and the public interest by ensuring that interest routed as a result of an imbalance on the Exchange during its Opening Process is properly priced for execution. This reduces the risk of trading through¹³ other market centers and promotes just and equitable principles of trade by routing orders to market centers where they may receive an execution.

The Exchange’s proposal more accurately describes how the System prices interest being routed pursuant to the Opening Process. The Exchange believes its proposal provides accuracy

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and clarity to the rule and protects investors and the public interest by clearly and accurately describing Exchange functionality which may influence investors' decisions concerning the submission of their orders.

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

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.

The Exchange does not believe the proposed rule change will impose any burden on inter-market competition as exchanges routinely route orders to one another and the Exchange has been operating in this fashion since it began operations on March 1, 2019.¹⁴ Additionally, the Exchange does not believe the proposed rule change will impose any burden on inter-market competition as the proposed rule change clarifies current Exchange functionality and is not a competitive filing.

Additionally, the Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on intra-market competition as the Opening Process affects all Members equally, and the specific situation that the proposal addresses occurs only in the limited instance as described herein.

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

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;

¹⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84891 (December 20, 2018), 83 FR 67421 (December 28, 2018) (File No. 10-233) (order approving application of MIAX Emerald, LLC for registration as a national securities exchange.); See also MIAX Emerald Regulatory Circular 2019-29.

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 Act¹⁵ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)¹⁶ 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 (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>);
- or
- Send an e-mail [to rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:to-rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-22 on the subject line.

Paper comments:

¹⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁶ 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 Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-22. 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-EMERALD-2019-22 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register]. For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁷

Brent J. Fields
Secretary

¹⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

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MIAX Emerald, LLC Rules

Rule 503. Openings on the Exchange

(a) – (e) No change.

(f) Opening Process

(1) No change.

(2) If there are quotes or orders that lock or cross each other, the System will open by following the Opening Process detailed below.

(i) - (iii) No change.

(iv) If there are quotes or orders that lock or cross, the System will use the EQR to determine the highest and lowest price of the opening price range. To calculate the opening price, the System will take into consideration all valid Exchange quotes and all valid orders, together with other exchanges' markets for the series and identify the price at which the maximum number of contracts can trade. If that price is within the EQR and leaves no imbalance, the Exchange will open at that price, executing marketable trading interest, as long as the opening price includes only Exchange interest. In series where the highest quote bid is either zero or the lowest minimum trading increment and market order sell interest has a quantity greater than all of the buy interest, the System will treat the market order(s) like a limit order(s) to sell at the lowest minimum trading increment and the Opening Process will be satisfied with an opening price at the lowest minimum trading increment with any remaining balance of the sell order(s) being placed on the Book in time priority and made available for execution following the Opening Process.

(A) If the calculated opening price included interest other than solely Exchange interest, the System will broadcast a System Imbalance Message (which includes the symbol, side of the market, quantity of matched contracts, the imbalance quantity, "must fill" quantity (i.e., the number of contracts that must be filled in order for that option to open on the Exchange at the indicated price), quantity of routable contracts, and price of the affected series) to Exchange Members and initiate a "Route Timer," not to exceed one second. If no new interest is received during the Route Timer, the System will route to other markets disseminating prices better than the Exchange's opening price, execute marketable interest at the opening price on the Exchange, and route to other markets disseminating prices equal to the Exchange opening price if necessary.

1. Orders that are routed and executed may receive executions at multiple prices.
2. Any order that is routed pursuant to this Rule will be marked as an Intermarket Sweep Order (“ISO”), as defined in Rule 1400(h), with a limit price equal to the [Exchange’s opening]away market’s displayed price.
