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Section 3C(b)(2) \* Exhibit 2 Sent As Paper Document Exhibit 3 Sent As Paper Document **Description**

Provide a brief description of the action (limit 250 characters, required when Initial is checked \*).

Amendment to MIAX Options Fee Schedule.

**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.

First Name \* Brian Last Name \* O'Neill

Title \* Vice President and Senior Counsel

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Telephone \* (609) 897-1434 Fax

**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 12/19/2014

Vice President and Senior Counsel

By Brian O'Neill

(Name \*)

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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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Copies of notices, written comments, transcripts, other communications. If such documents cannot be filed electronically in accordance with Instruction F, they shall be filed in accordance with Instruction G.

**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.

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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 1 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) Miami International Securities Exchange, LLC (“MIAX” or “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> proposes to modify the Trading Permit Fee for EEMs.

A notice of the proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register is attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and a copy of the proposed Fee Schedule 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 Board of Directors of the Exchange on December 11, 2014. 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 change.

Questions and comments on the proposed rule change may be directed to Brian O’Neill, Vice President and Senior Counsel, at (609) 897-1434.

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

a. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to modify its Monthly Trading Permit fee to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to Electronic Exchange Members (“EEMs”).

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

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

Specifically, the Exchange proposes to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to EEMs to \$1,500, from the current level of \$1,000.

The Exchange issues Trading Permits that confer the ability to transact on the Exchange.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange assesses monthly fees for Trading Permits depending upon the category of Member that is issued a particular trading permit.<sup>4</sup> EEMs are assessed a monthly fee of \$1,000 for a Trading Permit. All Market Makers, whether they are a Registered Market Makers (“RMMs”), Lead Market Makers (“LMMs”), or Primary Lead Market Makers (“PLMMs”), are assessed \$4,000.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in up to 100 option classes, \$5,500.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in up to 250 option classes, or \$7,000.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in all option classes listed on the Exchange.

The Exchange proposes to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to EEMs to \$1,500, in order to increase the Exchange’s non-transaction fee revenues. The Exchange notes that the proposed monthly Trading Permit fees are generally lower than monthly trading permit fees in place at CBOE and the NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC (“PHLX”). The \$1,500 monthly

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<sup>3</sup> There is no limit on the number of Trading Permits that may be issued by the Exchange; however the Exchange has the authority to limit or decrease the number of Trading Permits it has determined to issue provided it complies with the provisions set forth in Rule 200(a) and Section 6(c)(4) of the Exchange Act. See 15 U.S.C. 78(f)(c)(4). For a complete description of MIAX Trading Permits, see MIAX Rule 200.

<sup>4</sup> The monthly Trading Permit Fee is in addition to the one-time application fee for MIAX Membership. The Exchange charges a one-time application fee based upon the applicant’s status as either an Electronic Exchange Member (“EEM”) or as a Market Maker. Applicants for MIAX Membership as an EEM are assessed a one-time Application Fee of \$2,500.00. Applicants for MIAX Membership as a Market Maker are assessed a one-time Application Fee of \$3,000.00. The difference in the fee charged to EEMs and Market Makers reflects the additional review and processing effort needed for Market Maker applications.

Trading Permit fee to be assessed to EEMs is lower than the CBOE's monthly electronic access trading permit fee (\$1,600) and the PHLX's monthly permit fee for members (\$2,150).

Members receiving Trading Permits during the month will be assessed Trading Permit Fees according to the above schedule, except that the calculation of the Trading Permit fee for the first month in which the Trading Permit is issued will be pro-rated based on the number of trading days occurring after the date on which the Trading Permit was in effect during that first month divided by the total number of trading days in such month multiplied by the monthly rate.

The Exchange proposes to implement the Trading Permit fees beginning January 1, 2015.

b. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal to amend its fee schedule is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Sections 6(b)(4) of the Act<sup>6</sup> in particular, in that it is an equitable allocation of reasonable fees and other charges among Exchange members.

The Exchange believes that the proposed Trading Permit fee is reasonable, equitable and not unfairly discriminatory. The Exchange notes that the Trading Permit fees are lower than comparable fees at other exchanges as described in the Purpose section above. As such, the proposal is reasonably designed because it will incent market participants to register as EEMs on the Exchange in a manner that enables the Exchange to improve its overall competitiveness and strengthen its market quality for all market participants. The proposed fee is fair and equitable and not unreasonably discriminatory because the Trading Permit fee applies equally to all Members who choose to register as an EEM. All similarly situated EEMs will be subject to the

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<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

same Trading Permit fee, and access to the Exchange is offered on terms that are not unfairly discriminatory.

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

MIAX 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 believes that the proposal increases both intermarket and intramarket competition by marginally increasing Trading Permit fees for EEMs on the Exchange in a manner that still remains lower than comparable fees on other exchanges. The Exchange notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily favor competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive. In such an environment, the Exchange must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges and to attract order flow to the Exchange. The Exchange believes that the proposal reflects this competitive environment because it increases the Exchange's fees in a manner that continues to encourage market participants to register as EEMs on the Exchange, to provide liquidity, and to attract order flow. To the extent that this purpose is achieved, all the Exchange's market participants should benefit from the improved market liquidity.

**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)**

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,<sup>7</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) thereunder<sup>8</sup> the Exchange has designated this proposal as establishing or changing a due, fee, or other charge imposed on any person, whether or not the person is a member of the self-regulatory organization, which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing.

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

The proposed rule change is not based on rules of another self-regulatory organization or of the Commission.

**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. Copy of the applicable Section of the MIAX Options Fee Schedule.

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<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

**EXHIBIT 1**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-MIAX-2014-68)

December \_\_, 2014

## Self-Regulatory Organizations: Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change by Miami International Securities Exchange LLC to Amend Its Fee Schedule

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 December 19, 2014, Miami International Securities Exchange LLC (“MIAX” 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 modify the Trading Permit Fee for EEMs.

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

[http://www.miaxoptions.com/filter/wotitle/rule\\_filing](http://www.miaxoptions.com/filter/wotitle/rule_filing), at MIAX’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

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

<sup>2</sup> 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 modify its Monthly Trading Permit fee to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to Electronic Exchange Members (“EEMs”). Specifically, the Exchange proposes to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to EEMs to \$1,500, from the current level of \$1,000.

The Exchange issues Trading Permits that confer the ability to transact on the Exchange.<sup>3</sup> The Exchange assesses monthly fees for Trading Permits depending upon the category of Member that is issued a particular trading permit.<sup>4</sup> EEMs are assessed a monthly fee of \$1,000 for a Trading Permit. All Market Makers, whether they are a Registered Market Makers (“RMMs”), Lead Market Makers (“LMMs”), or Primary Lead Market Makers (“PLMMs”), are assessed \$4,000.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in up to 100 option classes, \$5,500.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in up to 250 option classes, or

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<sup>3</sup> There is no limit on the number of Trading Permits that may be issued by the Exchange; however the Exchange has the authority to limit or decrease the number of Trading Permits it has determined to issue provided it complies with the provisions set forth in Rule 200(a) and Section 6(c)(4) of the Exchange Act. See 15 U.S.C. 78(f)(c)(4). For a complete description of MIAX Trading Permits, see MIAX Rule 200.

<sup>4</sup> The monthly Trading Permit Fee is in addition to the one-time application fee for MIAX Membership. The Exchange charges a one-time application fee based upon the applicant’s status as either an Electronic Exchange Member (“EEM”) or as a Market Maker. Applicants for MIAX Membership as an EEM are assessed a one-time Application Fee of \$2,500.00. Applicants for MIAX Membership as a Market Maker are assessed a one-time Application Fee of \$3,000.00. The difference in the fee charged to EEMs and Market Makers reflects the additional review and processing effort needed for Market Maker applications.

\$7,000.00 per month for a Trading Permit for an assignment in all option classes listed on the Exchange.

The Exchange proposes to increase the monthly Trading Permit fee that applies to EEMs to \$1,500, in order to increase the Exchange's non-transaction fee revenues. The Exchange notes that the proposed monthly Trading Permit fees are generally lower than monthly trading permit fees in place at CBOE and the NASDAQ OMX PHLX LLC ("PHLX"). The \$1,500 monthly Trading Permit fee to be assessed to EEMs is lower than the CBOE's monthly electronic access trading permit fee (\$1,600) and the PHLX's monthly permit fee for members (\$2,150).

Members receiving Trading Permits during the month will be assessed Trading Permit Fees according to the above schedule, except that the calculation of the Trading Permit fee for the first month in which the Trading Permit is issued will be pro-rated based on the number of trading days occurring after the date on which the Trading Permit was in effect during that first month divided by the total number of trading days in such month multiplied by the monthly rate.

The Exchange proposes to implement the Trading Permit fees beginning January 1, 2015.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal to amend its fee schedule is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>5</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act<sup>6</sup> in particular, in that it is an equitable allocation of reasonable fees and other charges among Exchange members.

The Exchange believes that the proposed Trading Permit fee is reasonable, equitable and not unfairly discriminatory. The Exchange notes that the Trading Permit fees are lower than comparable fees at other exchanges as described in the Purpose section above. As such, the

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<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

proposal is reasonably designed because it will incent market participants to register as EEMs on the Exchange in a manner that enables the Exchange to improve its overall competitiveness and strengthen its market quality for all market participants. The proposed fee is fair and equitable and not unreasonably discriminatory because the Trading Permit fee applies equally to all Members who choose to register as an EEM. All similarly situated EEMs will be subject to the same Trading Permit fee, and access to the Exchange is offered on terms that are not unfairly discriminatory.

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 believes that the proposal increases both intermarket and intramarket competition by marginally increasing Trading Permit fees for EEMs on the Exchange in a manner that still remains lower than comparable fees on other exchanges. The Exchange notes that it operates in a highly competitive market in which market participants can readily favor competing venues if they deem fee levels at a particular venue to be excessive. In such an environment, the Exchange must continually adjust its fees to remain competitive with other exchanges and to attract order flow to the Exchange. The Exchange believes that the proposal reflects this competitive environment because it increases the Exchange's fees in a manner that continues to encourage market participants to register as EEMs on the Exchange, to provide liquidity, and to attract order flow. To the extent that this purpose is achieved, all the Exchange's market participants should benefit from the improved market liquidity.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act.<sup>7</sup> 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:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-MIAX-2014-68 on the subject line.

#### Paper comments:

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-MIAX-2014-68. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and

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<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

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-2014-68 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.<sup>8</sup>

Kevin M. O'Neill  
Deputy Secretary

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<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

**Exhibit 5**

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## MIAX Options Fee Schedule

1) – 2) **No Change.**

### 3) Membership Fees

a) **No Change**

#### b) Monthly Trading Permit Fee

MIAX will issue Trading Permits<sup>19</sup> to Members that confer the ability to transact on MIAX.

Type of Trading Permit	Monthly MIAX Trading Permit Fee
Electronic Exchange Member	\$(1,000) <u>1,500.00</u>
Market Maker (includes RMM, LMM, PLMM)	\$4,000.00 for MM Assignment in up to 100 Classes \$5,500.00 for MM Assignment in up to 250 Classes \$7,000.00 for MM Assignment in all Classes listed on MIAX

For the calculation of the monthly MM Trading Permit Fees, the number of classes is defined as the greatest number of classes the MM was assigned to quote in on any given day within the calendar month. Members receiving Trading Permits during a particular calendar month will be assessed Trading Permit Fees according to the above schedule, except that the calculation of the Trading Permit fee for the first month in which the Trading Permit is issued will be pro-rated based on the number of trading days on which the Trading Permit was in effect divided by the total number of trading days in that month multiplied by the monthly rate.

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<sup>19</sup> For a complete description of MIAX Trading Permits, see MIAX Rule 200.