Nasdaq GEMX Rules

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Supplementary Material to Rule 706

.01 (a) General. The Exchange shall be available for entry and execution of orders by Sponsored Customers with authorized access. [To obtain authorized access to the Exchange, each Sponsored Customer must enter into a Sponsored Customer Agreement with the Exchange in such form as the Exchange may provide.] Sponsored Access shall mean an arrangement whereby a Member permits its customers to enter orders into the System that bypass the Member’s trading system and are routed directly to the Exchange, including routing through a service bureau or other third party technology provider.

.01 (b) Sponsored Customers. A Sponsored Customer may obtain authorized access to the Exchange only if such access is authorized in advance by one or more Sponsoring Members as follows:

(1) Sponsored Customers must enter into and maintain customer agreements with one or more Sponsoring Members establishing proper relationship(s) and account(s) through which the Sponsored Customers may trade on the Exchange (“Customer Agreement”). Such Customer Agreement(s) must incorporate the sponsorship provisions set forth in paragraph (2) below.

(2) For a Sponsored Customer to obtain and maintain authorized access to the Exchange, a Sponsored Customer and its Sponsoring Member must agree in writing to the following sponsorship provisions:

(i) [Sponsoring Member must have entered into and maintained an Access Agreement with the Exchange. The Sponsoring Member must designate the Sponsored Customer by name in a Sponsored Customer Addendum to the Access Agreement as such.] The authorized access must comply with Rule 15c3-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(ii) Sponsoring Member acknowledges and agrees that

(A) All orders entered by the Sponsored Customer and any person acting on behalf of or in the name of such Sponsored Customer and any executions occurring as a result of such orders are binding in all respects on the Sponsoring Member, and

(B) Sponsoring Member is responsible for any and all actions taken by such Sponsored Customer and any person acting on behalf of or in the name of such Sponsored Customer.
(iii) Sponsoring Member shall comply with the Exchange’s Certificate of Formation, By-Laws, Rules and procedures with regard to the Exchange and Sponsored Customer shall comply with Exchange’s Certificate of Formation, By-Laws, Rules and procedures with regard to the Exchange, as if Sponsored Customer were an Exchange Member.

(iv) Sponsored Customer shall maintain, keep current and provide to the Sponsoring Member a list of persons who have been granted access to the Exchange on behalf of the Sponsored Customer (“Authorized Traders”).

(v) Sponsored Customer shall familiarize its Authorized Traders with all of the Sponsored Customer’s obligations under this Rule and will assure that they receive appropriate training prior to any use or access to the Exchange.

(vi) Sponsored Customer may not permit anyone other than Authorized Traders to use or obtain access to the Exchange.

(vii) Sponsored Customer shall take reasonable security precautions to prevent unauthorized use [or] access to the Exchange, including unauthorized entry of information into the Exchange’s System, or the information and data made available therein. Sponsored Customer understands and agrees that Sponsored Customer is responsible for any and all orders, trades and other messages and instructions entered, transmitted or received under identifiers, passwords and security codes of Authorized Traders, and for the trading and other consequences thereof.

(viii) Sponsored Customer acknowledges its responsibility to establish adequate procedures and controls that permit it to effectively monitor its employees, agents and customers’ use and access to the Exchange for compliance with this rule.

(ix) Sponsored Customer shall pay when due all amounts, if any, payable to Sponsoring Member, the Exchange or any other third parties that arise from the Sponsored Customer’s access to and use of the Exchange. Such amounts include, but are not limited to applicable exchange and regulatory fees.

[(3) The Sponsoring Member must provide the Exchange with a Sponsored Customer Addendum to its Access Agreement acknowledging its responsibility for the orders, executions and actions of its Sponsored Customer.]

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