OPTIONS EXCHANGE

Informational Circular

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TO:	BOX Options Participants
FROM:	BOX Market Operations Center
SUBJECT:	New Preferenced Order Type
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BOX Options Exchange ("BOX") will introduce a new order type,¹ the "Preferenced Order" in early 2015.

This new order type will allow Participants to designate a Market Maker to receive an allocation preference with respect to a percentage of the Preferenced Order if certain pre-requisites are met.

Preferenced Order allocation will occur at the last price level where the inbound Preferenced Order is completely filled and will follow these Steps:

- 1. Public Customer priority (FIFO),
- 2. Designated Preferenced Order Market Maker privileged allocation percentage, and
- 3. FIFO for all remaining orders and quotes (Note: the Preferenced Order Market Maker will receive its allocation under either Step 2 or Step 3, whichever is greater).

Preferenced Complex Orders will be accepted but will use the existing Price-Time trade allocation rules. This also applies to Preferenced Complex Orders executing on the BOX Book and regular orders executing against Preference Complex Orders.

Preferenced Orders will be processed as regular orders during the opening rotation.

Technical Details

Note: All Participants sending Directed Orders will be required to make changes to their order entry, regardless of if they intend to submit Preferenced Orders. Once launched, all orders that designate an Executing Participant will be processed as Preferenced Orders unless the order is explicitly identified as a Directed Order.

¹ Subject to SEC approval

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SAIL	A new field [Special Price Term] will be added after the [Price] field and will replace the actual filler in the message types: OE: Order Entry OM: Order Modification
	The supported values will be: ' ': Default will be Preferenced Order 'O': For designating a Directed Order 'P': For designating a Preferenced Order
	The Preferenced Order Market Maker will be identified in the field [Executing Participant]. If no Executing Participant is specified, the order will be processed as a Regular order.
FIX	A new field [9303-RoutingInst] will be added to the message types:
	D: New Single/Complex Order G: Cancel/Replace Single/Complex Order AB: New Multi-Leg Order – Single AC: Cancel/Replace Multi-Leg Order
	The supported values will be: ' ' or field not provided: Default will be Preferenced Order 'O': For designating a Directed Order 'P': For designating a Preferenced Order
	The Preferenced Order Market Maker will be identified in the field [7901- ExecutingParticipantID]. If no Executing Participant is specified, the order will be processed as a Regular order.

<u>Testing</u>

Participants interested in testing this new feature may do so in the BOX Test environment.

Contact

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