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**Date:** March 21, 2025

**Subject:** Optica Rare Earths & Critical Materials ETF - Liquidation/Cash Settlement  
Option Symbol: CRIT  
Date: 03/21/2025

On February 21, 2025, Exchange Traded Concepts, LLC announced it will liquidate the Optica Rare Earths & Critical Materials ETF (CRIT). The last day of trading of CRIT shares on the NYSE Arca, Inc. was March 18, 2025.

An initial liquidating distribution of \$16.250129 per CRIT share was paid on March 21, 2025. OCC has been informed that there may be additional distributions. OCC will delay settlement of CRIT options until the total amount of all liquidating distributions has been determined.

#### Contract Adjustment

The option symbol CRIT will not change.

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**New Deliverable Per Contract:** 100 x the cash proceeds paid per CRIT share, less any applicable transaction costs, pursuant to the liquidation.

Note: The determination to include any distributions, if any, in the contract adjustment will be made by OCC on a case-by-case basis.

**Settlement:** CRIT exercise and assignment activity, which has been subject to delayed settlement since March 19, 2025, will remain delayed until the final per share liquidation amount is determined.

Once the final cash amount to be included in the CRIT deliverable is determined, settlement in CRIT options will take place through OCC's cash settlement system. Settlement will be accomplished by payment of the difference between the extended strike amount and the cash deliverable.

#### Acceleration of Expirations

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cashonly delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series (See OCC Information Memo 23988).

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