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**Date:** May 01, 2025

**Subject:** Defiance Next Gen H2 ETF - Liquidation/Cash Settlement/Acceleration  
of Expirations  
Option Symbol: HDRO  
Date: 05/01/2025

On April 10, 2025, ETF Series Solutions announced it will liquidate the Defiance Next Gen H2 ETF (HDRO). HDRO was suspended from trading on the NYSE Arca, Inc. before the open on April 29, 2025. Proceeds of the liquidation were distributed to shareholders in the amount of \$25.97241664 per HDRO share on May 1, 2025.

#### **Contract Adjustment**

The option symbol HDRO will not change.

**Date:** May 1, 2025

**New Deliverable**  
**Per Contract:** \$2,597.24 Cash (\$25.97241664 x 100)

HDRO options, which were subject to delayed settlement from April 29, 2025 through April 30, 2025, are no longer subject to delayed settlement, effective May 1, 2025.

Settlement in HDRO 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 cash-only delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series. (See OCC Information Memo 23707) Additionally, the exercise by exception (ex by ex) threshold for expiring series will be \$.01 in all account types.

All series of Defiance Next Gen H2 ETF options whose expiration dates are after 05-16-2025 will have their expiration dates advanced to 05-16-2025. Expiration dates occurring before 05-16-2025 (e.g., Flex options) will remain unchanged.

All Defiance Next Gen H2 ETF options will utilize a \$.01 exercise threshold.

Option Symbol: HDRO  
Existing Expiration: All months  
New expiration date: 05-16-2025

Existing American-style Defiance Next Gen H2 ETF options remain exercisable at the option of the holder prior to their expiration. Exercised options will continue to settle in one business day.

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