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Ms. Velma Smith, Branch Chief

Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance - Filer Support Office 100 F Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3040 Washington, D.C. 20549

Re:

AdvisorShares Trust

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Dear Ms. Smith:

Please be advised that NYSE Regulation, Inc. has received (on June 13, 2011) an application from the above-referenced issuer and has approved the following securities for listing on NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange"):

> **Madrona Forward Domestic ETF** Madrona Forward International ETF Madrona Forward Global Bond ETF

The Exchange requests acceleration of registration of this security under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. If there are any questions, please call me at (212) 656-4632. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Manager, Listing Compliance