SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-59015; File No. SR-ISE-2008-87)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; International Securities Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Trading Halts in Managed Fund Shares and Actively Managed ETFs

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, <sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on November 18, 2008, the International Securities Exchange, LLC ("ISE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated the proposed rule change as constituting a rule change under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>3</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder,<sup>4</sup> which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed</u> Rule Change

The ISE proposes to amend ISE Rule 2101 to state that the Exchange will halt trading in managed fund shares or actively managed exchange-traded funds trading on the Exchange pursuant to unlisted trading privileges ("UTP") if the Exchange is notified by the listing market that the disclosed portfolio is not being disseminated to all market participants at the same time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site <a href="www.ise.com">www.ise.com</a>, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

## II. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change</u>

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization has prepared summaries, set forth in Sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

# A. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis</u> for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### 1. Purpose

ISE Rule 2101(a)(2)(iii)(B) states that the Exchange will halt trading in new derivative securities products<sup>5</sup> trading on the Exchange pursuant to UTP, if the listing market notifies the Exchange that the net asset value is not being disseminated to all market participants at the same time. The purpose of this filing is to amend ISE Rule 2101(a)(2)(iii)(B) to specify that, in addition to the requirement discussed above, the Exchange will also halt trading when a disclosed portfolio is not being disseminated for managed fund shares or actively managed exchange traded-funds and the Exchange is notified of such by the listing market. The Exchange also proposes to correct the paragraph numbering in 2101(a)(2)(iii)(C).

#### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations under the Act applicable to a national securities exchange and, in particular, the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See ISE Rule 2101(a)(2).

requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act.<sup>6</sup> Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act's<sup>7</sup> requirements that the rules of a national securities exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. In particular, the proposed rule change will clarify the circumstance in which the Exchange will halt trading in new derivative securities products.

## B. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition</u>

The proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

C. <u>Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule</u>
<u>Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from members or other interested parties.

#### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>8</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)

<sup>6 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

#### thereunder.9

ISE has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay. The Commission hereby grants the Exchange's request and believes that such waiver is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. This action should benefit investors by promoting fair disclosure of information that may be necessary to price the derivative securities products and preventing trading when a reasonable degree of transparency cannot be assured. Proposed ISE Rule 2101(a)(2)(iii)(B) is substantively identical to rules of other national securities exchanges <sup>10</sup> and does not raise any novel or significant regulatory issues. Therefore, the Commission designates the proposed rule change as operative upon filing. <sup>11</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

## IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). The Commission notes that ISE has satisfied the five-day prefiling notice requirement.

See, e.g., BATS Exchange Rule 14.1(c)(4)(B) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58623 (September 23, 2008), 73 FR 57169 (October 1, 2008) (SR-BATS-2008-004);
 Chicago Board Options Exchange Rule 52.3(c)(4) and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 58955 (November 14, 2008), 73 FR 70683 (November 21, 2008) (SR-CBOE-2008-109).

For purposes only of waiving the operative date of this proposal, the Commission has considered the rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. <u>See</u> 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

#### **Electronic Comments:**

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>); or
- Send an e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-ISE-2008-87 on the subject line.

## Paper Comments:

 Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2008-87. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site <a href="http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml">http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml</a>. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All

submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2008-87 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{12}$ 

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).