SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-56666; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2007-107)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Trading Sessions on NYSE Arca Marketplace

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") ¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, ² notice is hereby given that on October 11, 2007, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been substantially prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has filed the proposed rule change as one constituting a stated policy, practice, or interpretation with respect to the meaning, administration, or enforcement of an existing rule under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(1) thereunder, ⁴ 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> <u>Rule Change</u>

The Exchange, through its wholly owned subsidiary, NYSE Arca Equities, Inc. ("NYSE Arca Equities" or "Corporation"), proposes to delete paragraph (a)(3)(B) from NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34, which includes a list of securities eligible to trade in one or more, but not all three, of the Exchange's trading sessions. The Exchange also proposes to amend the language in paragraph (a)(3)(C) to remove the corresponding requirement to post the list of securities on its

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(i).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(1).

Web site since the list is obsolete. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's Web site at www.nyse.com, at the Exchange's Office of the Secretary, 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 Exchange 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. <u>Purpose</u>

NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34 provides that the NYSE Arca Marketplace shall have three trading sessions each day: an Opening Session (4:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Eastern Time ("ET")), a Core Trading Session (9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET), and a Late Trading Session (4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET). The Core Trading Session for securities described in Rules 5.1(b)(13), 5.1(b)(18), 5.2(j)(3), 8.100, 8.200, 8.201, 8.202, 8.203, 8.300, and 8.400 concludes at 4:15 p.m. ET.⁵

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NYSE Arca Equities Rules 5.1(b)(13), 5.2(j)(3), 8.100, 8.200, 8.201, 8.202, 8.203, 8.300, and 8.400 relate to Unit Investment Trusts, Investment Company Units, Portfolio Depositary Receipts, Trust Issued Receipts, Commodity-Based Trust Shares, Currency Trust Shares, Commodity Index Trust Shares, Partnership Units, and Paired Trust Shares, respectively. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 54997 (December 21, 2006), 71 FR 78501 (December 29, 2006) (SR-NYSEArca-2006-77) (approving amendments to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34 including provisions relating to trading sessions of securities on the NYSE Arca Marketplace).

The Exchange has expanded the trading hours for the shares of certain exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") that trade on the NYSE Arca Marketplace to include all three trading sessions. Accordingly, the Exchange proposes to delete paragraph (a)(3)(B) from NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34 since the list of those securities which are eligible to trade in one or more, but not all three, of the Exchange's trading sessions is now obsolete. In addition, the Exchange maintains on its Web site (www.nyse.com) a list that identifies all securities traded on the NYSE Arca Marketplace that do not trade for the duration of each of the three sessions specified in NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34. Therefore, the Exchange proposes to amend the language in paragraph (a)(3)(C) of NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34 to remove the corresponding requirement to post such list on the Exchange's Web site.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁷ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act⁸ in particular, because it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, and to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system.

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56627 (October 5, 2007) (SR-NYSEArca-2007-75) (expanding the trading sessions of certain ETFs); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56625 (October 5, 2007) (SR-NYSEArca-2007-73) (amending generic listing standards for investment company units and portfolio depositary receipts to allow for trading of ETFs in all three of the Exchange's trading sessions).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will 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</u> <u>Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others</u>

The Exchange has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

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

Because the proposed rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Act⁹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(1) thereunder, ¹⁰ in that it constitutes a stated policy, practice, or interpretation with respect to the meaning, administration, or enforcement of an existing rule of the Exchange, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Act¹¹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(1) thereunder. ¹² At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such proposed 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:

^{9 15} U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(i).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(1).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(i).

¹² 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(1).

Electronic Comments:

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send e-mail to <u>rule-comments@sec.gov</u>. Please include File Number SR-NYSEArca-2007-107 on the subject line.

Paper Comments:

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2007-107. 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 (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro/shtml). 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, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will 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-NYSEArca-2007-107 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from date of publication].

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority. 13

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¹³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).