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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 22nd day of June, 2006.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to Extending the Time Period by Which the Exchange Will Amend the NASD-PCX Agreement Pursuant to Rule 17d-2

June 26, 2006.

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 June 23, 2006, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange filed the proposal as a "non-controversial" rule change pursuant to 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.<sup>5</sup> The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

## I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange is proposing to amend its undertaking <sup>6</sup> to extend for 90 days from the date of this filing the time period by which the Exchange will amend and restate the agreement between the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") and the Exchange currently in place pursuant to Rule 17d–2 under the Act <sup>7</sup> (the "NASD–PCX Agreement" or the "Agreement"). As described in more detail below, the revisions to the NASD–PCX Agreement will expand the scope of the NASD's regulatory responsibility.

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

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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

#### 1. Purpose

On September 22, 2005, the Commission approved a proposed rule change submitted by the Exchange relating to the acquisition of PCX Holdings, Inc. (now known as NYSE Arca Holdings, Inc.) <sup>8</sup> by Archipelago Holdings, Inc.<sup>9</sup> In that filing, the Exchange (formerly known as the Pacific Exchange, Inc.) committed to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement within 90 days of the Commission's approval of SR-PCX-2005-90 to expand the scope of the NASD's regulatory functions under the NASD-PCX Agreement so as to encompass all of the regulatory oversight and enforcement responsibilities with respect to the broker-dealer affiliate of Archipelago Holdings, Inc., Archipelago Securities, L.L.C. ("Archipelago Securities").<sup>10</sup> The Exchange submitted subsequent filings on December 21, 2005 11 and March 21, 2006 12 to extend for 90 days the time period within which to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement. The Exchange and the NASD (collectively, the "Parties") have executed an amended and restated agreement and, on January 20, 2006, the Parties filed the amended and restated agreement with the Commission but have not yet received Commission approval of the amended and restated agreement.13

The Exchange believes that an extension of time for an additional 90 days from the date of this filing to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement will give the Commission staff sufficient time to publish and take action on the proposal. There is currently a plan in place (i.e., the NASD-PCX Agreement) allocating to the NASD the responsibility to receive regulatory reports from Archipelago Securities, to examine Archipelago Securities for compliance and to enforce compliance by Archipelago Securities with the Act, the rules and regulations thereunder and the rules of the NASD, and to carry out other specified regulatory functions with respect to Archipelago Securities.

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 5-day pre-filing notice requirement and the 30-day operative delay. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A), 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52497 (September 22, 2005), 70 FR 56949 (September 29, 2005) (approving SR–PCX–2005–90, as amended).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 240.17d-2. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 16858 (May 30, 1980), 45 FR 37927 (June 5, 1980) (File No. 4–267).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53615 (April 7, 2006), 71 FR 19226 (April 13, 2006) (notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of SR-PCX– 2006–24, regarding the name change from PCX Holdings, Inc. to NYSE Arca Holdings, Inc.)

 $<sup>^9\,</sup>See$  Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52497, supra note 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Archipelago Securities acts as the outbound order router for the NYSE Arca Marketplace and, as such, is regulated as an exchange "facility" of the Exchange and NYSE Arca Equities, Inc.

 $<sup>^{11}\,</sup>See$  Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52995 (December 21, 2005), 70 FR 77232 (December 29, 2005) (notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of SR–PCX–2005–140, as amended).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53545 (March 23, 2006), 71 FR 16183 (March 30, 2006) (notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of SR– NYSEArca–2006–06, as amended).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Commission notes that the staff of the Division of Market Regulation ("Commission staff") has been engaged in discussions with the Parties regarding the amended and restated agreement filed by the Parties. NYSE Arca continues to work with the staff, and, together with the NASD, intends to submit in the near future a revised amended and restated agreement reflecting changes made in response to Commission staff comments. Telephone conversation between Janet Angstadt, Acting General Counsel, NYSE Arca, Richard Holley III, Special Counsel, and Sara Gillis, Attorney, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, on June 26, 2006.

The Exchange notes that the current NASD–PCX Agreement will remain in full force and effect during the interim period, and the Exchange will continue to abide by the terms of the agreement. The Exchange believes, therefore, that the requested extension of time is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, will not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest, and does not impose any significant burden on competition.

## 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Ăct,14 in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, 15 in particular, in that 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 regulating clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, 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.

# B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments on the proposed rule change were neither solicited nor received.

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

Because the foregoing rule: (i) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not 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, <sup>16</sup> the proposed rule change has

become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act <sup>17</sup> and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder. <sup>18</sup>

The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay, which would make the rule change effective and operative upon filing. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. Such waiver will allow the Exchange to comply with its undertaking made in connection with the Commission's approval of SR-PCX-2005-90 to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement. The Commission notes that the Exchange has filed with the Commission, on January 20, 2006, an executed amended and restated agreement, and that the Commission staff has been engaged in continuous discussions with the Parties regarding the amended and restated agreement. The Commission further notes that the Exchange has represented that it continues to work with the Commission staff, and that it intends to submit in the near future a revised amended and restated agreement reflecting changes made in response to Commission staff comments.<sup>19</sup> Extending the compliance date for the Exchange's undertaking by an additional 90 days will provide time for the Exchange to finalize and file the amended and restated agreement, as well as provide time for publication of, and action on, the amended and restated agreement. The Commission further notes that the current Commissionapproved NASD-PCX Agreement will remain in full force and effect during the interim period, and the Exchange will continue to abide by the terms of that Agreement. For these reasons, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective and operative upon filing with the Commission.20

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:

#### Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number NYSEArca-2006–42 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 NYSEArca-2006-42. 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. 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 NYSEArca-2006-42 and should be submitted on or before July 24, 2006.

<sup>14 15</sup> U.S.C. 78f(b).

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Pursuant to Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act, the Exchange is required to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule

change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 5-day pre-filing notice requirement. The Commission has determined to waive this requirement for this filing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>18 17</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>19</sup> See supra note 13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> For the purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{21}$ 

#### Nancy M. Morris,

Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-54043; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2006-26]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto Relating to the Trading of Shares of Six Currency Trusts Pursuant to Unlisted Trading Privileges

June 26, 2006.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,2 notice is hereby given that, on June 6, 2006, the NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), through its wholly owned subsidiary NYSE Arca Equities, Inc. ("NYSE Arca Equities" or "Corporation"), the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which items have been substantially prepared by the Exchange. On June 23, 2006, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.<sup>3</sup> The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as amended, from interested persons, and is granting accelerated approval to the proposed rule change, as amended.

## I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

Pursuant to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.202, which governs the trading of Currency Trust Shares,<sup>4</sup> the Exchange proposes to trade pursuant to unlisted trading privileges ("UTP") shares

("Shares") of the following six trusts: CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup> Australian Dollar Trust, which issues Australian Dollar Shares; CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup>) British Pound Sterling Trust, which issues British Pound Sterling Shares; CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup> Canadian Dollar Trust, which issues Canadian Dollar Shares; CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup> Mexican Peso Trust, which issues Mexican Peso Shares; CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup> Swedish Krona Trust, which issues Swedish Krona Shares; and CurrencyShares<sup>TM</sup> Swiss Franc Trust, which issues Swiss Franc Shares (collectively, the "Trusts").

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

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 III below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, substantially set forth in Sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

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

## 1. Purpose

As mentioned above, the Exchange proposes to trade, pursuant to UTP and NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.202, the Shares. Each Share represents a proportional interest, based on the total number of Shares outstanding, in the applicable foreign currency owned by the specific Trust, less the estimated accrued but unpaid expenses (both asset-based and non-asset based) of such Trust. On June 20, 2006, the Commission approved a rule proposal by the New York Stock Exchange LLC ("NYSE") to permit the original listing and trading of the Shares by and on the NYSE.5

Rydex Specialized Products LLC is the sponsor of the Trusts ("Sponsor"),<sup>6</sup>

the Bank of New York is the trustee of the Trusts ("Trustee"), JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., London Branch, is the depository for the Trusts ("Depository"), and Rydex Distributors, Inc. is the distributor for the Trusts ("Distributor"). The Sponsor, Trustee, Depository, and Distributor are not affiliated with the Exchange or one another, with the exception that the Sponsor and Distributor are affiliated. The Exchange currently trades pursuant to UTP the shares of the Euro Currency Trust, which has the same Sponsor, Trustee, Depository and Distributor as the Trusts.7

According to the Exchange, the investment objective of each Trust is for the Shares issued by the Trust to reflect the price of its particular currency,8 less the expenses of the Trust. Each Trust's assets will consist only of foreign currency on demand deposit in a foreign currency-denominated, interest-bearing account at the Depository. The Sponsor expects that the price of a Share will fluctuate in response to fluctuations in the price of the applicable foreign currency and that the price of a Share will reflect accumulated interest as well as the estimated accrued but unpaid expenses of the specific Trust.

## a. The Shares

A description of the currencies underlying each of the Trusts, the foreign exchange industry, foreign currency regulation, operation of the Trusts, and the Shares is set forth in the NYSE Proposal and the NYSE Order. To summarize, issuances of Shares will be made only in baskets of 50,000 Shares or multiples thereof ("Baskets"). The Trusts will issue and redeem the Shares on a continuous basis, by or through participants that have entered into participant agreements ("Authorized Participants") 9 with the Trustee. The

Peso Trust, Registration No. 333–132366 for the CurrencyShares Swedish Krona Trust, and Registration No. 333–132364 for the Swiss Franc Trust.

 $^7$  See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53253, supra note 4.

BThe CurrencyShares™ Australian Dollar Trust holds the Australian Dollar; the CurrencyShares™ British Pound Sterling Trust holds the British Pound Sterling; the CurrencyShares™ Canadian Dollar Trust holds the Canadian Dollar; the CurrencyShares™ Mexican Peso Trust holds the Mexican Peso; the CurrencyShares™ Swedish Krona Trust holds the Swedish Krona; and the CurrencyShares™ Swiss Franc Trust holds the Swiss Franc Trust holds the Swiss Franc.

<sup>9</sup> An "Authorized Participant" is a person, who at the time of submitting to the Trustee an order to create or redeem one or more Baskets, is a Depository Trust Company Participant that is a registered broker-dealer or other securities market participant such as a bank or other financial institution that is not required to register as a

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Partial Amendment No. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Currency Trust Shares are securities issued by a trust that represent investors' discrete identifiable and undivided beneficial ownership interest in the non-U.S. currency deposited into the trust. See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.202 and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53253 (February 8, 2006), 71 FR 8029 (February 15, 2006) (SR–PCX–2005–123) (order granting accelerated approval for the Exchange to adopt generic listing and trading standards for Currency Trust Shares and approving the UTP trading of shares of the Euro Currency Trust).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See File No. SR–NYSE–2006–35, as amended ("NYSE Proposal"), and Securities Exchange Act Release No. 54020 ("NYSE Order").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Sponsor, on behalf of the Trusts, filed a Form S-1 for each Trust on March 10, 2006 (collectively, "Registration Statements"). See Registration No. 333–132362 for the CurrencyShares Australian Dollar Trust, Registration No. 333–132361 for the CurrencyShares British Pound Sterling Trust, Registration No. 333–132363 for the CurrencyShares Canadian Dollar Trust, Registration No. 333–132367 for the CurrencyShares Mexican