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For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.²⁰

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To List and Trade Shares of the Grail American Beacon International Equity ETF

October 2, 2009.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Exchange Act”) ¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that, on September 18, 2009, NYSE Arca, Inc. (“NYSE Arca” or the “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 prepared by the Exchange. 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

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Exchange Act,³ NYSE Arca, through its wholly-owned subsidiary NYSE Arca Equities, Inc. (“NYSE Arca Equities” or the “Corporation”), proposes to list and trade the following under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600 (“Managed Fund Shares”): The Grail American Beacon International Equity ETF.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s Web site at <http://www.nyx.com>, at the Exchange’s principal office and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

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 self-regulatory organization 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 those 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 parts of such statements.

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to list and trade the following Managed Fund Shares ⁴ (“Shares”) under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600: The Grail American Beacon International Equity ETF (“Fund”).⁵ The Shares will be offered by Grail Advisors’ ETF Trust (the “Trust”), a statutory trust organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and registered with the Commission as an open-end management investment company.⁶ Grail Advisors, LLC (the

⁴ A Managed Fund Share is a security that represents an interest in an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a) (“1940 Act”) organized as an open-end investment company or similar entity that invests in a portfolio of securities selected by its investment adviser consistent with its investment objectives and policies. In contrast, an open-end investment company that issues Investment Company Units, listed and traded on the Exchange under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 5.2(j)(3), seeks to provide investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance of a specific foreign or domestic stock index, fixed income securities index or combination thereof.

⁵ The Commission previously approved listing and trading on the Exchange of the following actively managed funds under Rule 8.600. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 57619 (April 4, 2008), 73 FR 19544 (April 10, 2008) (SR–NYSEArca–2008–25) (order approving Rule 8.600 and Exchange listing and trading of PowerShares Active AlphaQ Fund, PowerShares Active Alpha Multi-Cap Fund, PowerShares Active Mega-Cap Portfolio and PowerShares Active Low Duration Portfolio); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 57801 (May 8, 2008), 73 FR 27878 (May 14, 2008) (SR–NYSEArca–2008–31) (order approving Exchange listing and trading of twelve actively-managed funds of the WisdomTree Trust); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 59826 (April 28, 2009), 74 FR 20512 (May 4, 2009) (SR–NYSEArca–2009–22) (order approving Exchange listing and trading of Grail American Beacon Large Cap Value ETF); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 60460 (August 7, 2009), 74 FR 41468 (August 17, 2009) (SR–NYSEArca–2009–55) (order approving Exchange listing and trading of Dent Tactical ETF).

⁶ The Trust is registered under the 1940 Act. On April 29, 2009, the Trust filed with the Commission

“Manager”), a majority-owned subsidiary of Grail Partners, LLC, acts as the Fund’s investment manager. The Fund is advised by American Beacon Advisors, Inc. (“ABA”). The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation is the administrator, Fund accountant, transfer agent and custodian for the Fund. ALPS Distributors, Inc. (the “Distributor”) serves as the distributor for the Fund.

The Shares will conform to the initial and continued listing criteria under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600. The Exchange represents that, for initial and/or continued listing, the Fund will be in compliance with Rule 10A–3 ⁷ under the Exchange Act, as provided by NYSE Arca Equities Rule 5.3. A minimum of 100,000 Shares will be outstanding at the commencement of trading on the Exchange. The Exchange will obtain a representation from the issuer of the Shares that the net asset value will be calculated daily and that the net asset value and the Disclosed Portfolio will be made available to all market participants at the same time.

Commentary .07 to Rule 8.600 provides that, if the investment adviser to the Investment Company issuing Managed Fund Shares is affiliated with a broker-dealer, such investment adviser shall erect a “fire wall” between the investment adviser and the broker-dealer with respect to access to information concerning the composition and/or changes to such Investment Company portfolio.⁸ In addition, Commentary .07 further requires that personnel who make decisions on the open-end fund’s portfolio composition must be subject to procedures designed to prevent the use and dissemination of material nonpublic information regarding the open-end fund’s portfolio. Commentary .07 to Rule 8.600 is similar to Commentary .03(a)(i) and (iii) to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 5.2(j)(3); however, Commentary .07 in connection

pre-effective Amendment No. 3 to its registration statement on Form N–1A under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a), and under the 1940 Act relating to the Fund (File Nos. 333–148082 and 811–22154) (“Registration Statement”). The description of the operation of the Trust herein is based on the Registration Statement.

⁷ 17 CFR 240.10A–3.

⁸ An investment adviser to an open-end fund is required to be registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (the “Advisers Act”). As a result, the investment adviser is subject to the provisions of Rule 204A–1 under the Advisers Act relating to codes of ethics. This Rule requires investment advisers to adopt a code of ethics that reflects the fiduciary nature of the relationship to clients as well as compliance with other applicable securities laws. Accordingly, procedures designed to prevent the communication and misuse of non-public information by an investment adviser must be consistent with Rule 204A–1 under the Advisers Act.

²⁰ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

with the establishment of a “fire wall” between the investment adviser and the broker-dealer reflects the applicable open-end fund’s portfolio, not an underlying benchmark index, as is the case with index-based funds. Grail Advisors, LLC is affiliated with a broker-dealer, Grail Securities, LLC, and has implemented a fire wall with respect to such broker-dealer regarding access to information concerning the composition and/or changes to the portfolio.⁹

ABA, the Fund’s primary sub-adviser, is not affiliated with a broker-dealer. In addition, Lazard Asset Management LLC, Templeton Investment Counsel, LLC and The Boston Company Asset Management, LLC each is a sub-adviser to the Fund and each is affiliated with a broker-dealer. The sub-advisers have represented that they have implemented a fire wall with respect to their respective broker-dealer affiliates regarding access to information concerning the composition and/or changes to the portfolio.

Description of the Fund

According to the Registration Statement, the Fund’s objective is long-term capital appreciation. Ordinarily, at

least 80% of the Fund’s net assets (plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) will be invested in common stocks and securities convertible into common stocks of issuers based in at least three different countries located outside the United States and the Fund will primarily hold securities of large capitalization companies that have last sale reporting in the countries in which it invests. The Fund will primarily invest in countries in the Morgan Stanley Capital International Europe Australasia Far East Index (“MSCI EAFE Index”). The MSCI EAFE Index is comprised of equity securities of companies from various industrial sectors whose primary trading markets are located outside the United States. Companies included in the MSCI EAFE Index are selected from among the larger capitalization companies in these markets.¹⁰ The Fund considers companies with market capitalizations of more than \$1 billion to be large capitalization companies. Thus, at least 50% of the Fund’s assets invested in securities of companies will be in companies with market capitalizations of more than \$1 billion.

According to the Registration Statement, the investment sub-advisers will select stocks that, in their opinion, have most or all of the following characteristics (relative to that stock’s country, sector or industry): Above-average return on equity or earnings growth potential, below-average price to earnings or price to cash flow ratio, below-average price to book value ratio, and above-average dividend yields.

The investment sub-advisers may consider potential changes in currency exchange rates when choosing stocks. Each of the investment sub-advisers determines the earnings growth prospects of companies based upon a combination of internal and external research using fundamental analysis and considering changing economic trends. The decision to sell a stock is typically based on the belief that the company is no longer considered undervalued or shows deteriorating fundamentals, or that better investment opportunities exist in other stocks. The

Manager and ABA believe that this strategy will help the Fund outperform other investment styles over the longer term while minimizing volatility and downside risk. An investment sub-adviser may trade forward foreign currency contracts or currency futures in an attempt to reduce the Fund’s risk exposure to adverse fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

The Fund’s assets are allocated among one or more investment sub-advisers by the Manager and/or ABA. With respect to any assets allocated to it, each investment sub-adviser has discretion to purchase and sell securities in accordance with the Fund’s objectives, policies, restrictions and more specific policies provided by the Manager and ABA.

According to the Registration Statement, in addition to the investment strategies described in the Registration Statement, the Fund may invest up to 20% of its total assets in debt securities that are investment grade at the time of purchase, including obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities, corporate debt securities, mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, and other debt securities, as specified in the Registration Statement. Such assets may include non-U.S. debt securities that are rated at the time of purchase in one of the three highest rating categories by any Rating Organization (as defined in the Registration Statement) or, if unrated, are deemed to be of comparable quality by the applicable investment sub-adviser and traded publicly on a world market. In addition, although not currently anticipated except to reduce the Fund’s exposure to adverse fluctuations in currency exchange rates, the Fund may use options and futures for various purposes, including for hedging and investment purposes. In addition, the Fund may purchase or otherwise receive warrants or rights, or convertible and non-convertible preferred and preference stocks. The Fund may also invest in over-the-counter options. To the extent consistent with applicable law, the Fund may invest in futures contracts on, among other things, financial instruments (such as a U.S. government security or other fixed income security), individual equity securities (“single stock futures”), securities indices, interest rates, currencies, inflation indices, and commodities or commodities indices. The Fund’s purchase and sale of index futures is limited to contracts and exchanges approved by the U. S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

⁹ The Exchange represents that Grail Advisors, LLC, as the investment adviser of the Fund, and each of the sub-advisers of the Fund, and their respective related personnel, are subject to Investment Advisers Act Rule 204A-1. This Rule specifically requires the adoption of a code of ethics by an investment adviser to include, at a minimum: (i) Standards of business conduct that reflect the firm’s/personnel fiduciary obligations; (ii) provisions requiring supervised persons to comply with applicable federal securities laws; (iii) provisions that require all access persons to report, and the firm to review, their personal securities transactions and holdings periodically as specifically set forth in Rule 204A-1; (iv) provisions requiring supervised persons to report any violations of the code of ethics promptly to the chief compliance officer (“CCO”) or, provided the CCO also receives reports of all violations, to other persons designated in the code of ethics; and (v) provisions requiring the investment adviser to provide each of the supervised persons with a copy of the code of ethics with an acknowledgement by said supervised persons. In addition, Rule 206(4)-7 under the Advisers Act makes it unlawful for an investment adviser to provide investment advice to clients unless such investment adviser has (i) adopted and implemented written policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation, by the investment adviser and its supervised persons, of the Advisers Act and the Commission rules adopted thereunder; (ii) implemented, at a minimum, an annual review regarding the adequacy of the policies and procedures established pursuant to subparagraph (i) above and the effectiveness of their implementation; and (iii) designated an individual (who is a supervised person) responsible for administering the policies and procedures adopted under subparagraph (i) above. E-mail from Michael Cavalier, Chief Counsel, NYSE Euronext, to Edward Cho, Special Counsel, and Arisa Tinaves, Special Counsel, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated September 30, 2009.

¹⁰ The Commission has previously approved the listing and trading of funds based on MSCI EAFE Indexes. *See, e.g.*, Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 44700 (August 14, 2001), 66 FR 43927 (August 21, 2001) (SR-Amex-2001-34) (approving shares of a fund based on the MSCI EAFE Index); 52178 (July 29, 2005), 70 FR 46244 (August 9, 2005) (SR-NYSE-2005-41) (order approving iShares MSCI EAFE Growth Index Fund and iShares MSCI EAFE Value Index Fund); 56592 (October 1, 2007), 72 FR 57364 (October 9, 2007) (SR-Amex-2007-60) (order approving fund of the Proshares Trust based on the MSCI EAFE Index).

According to the Registration Statement, the Fund may engage in transactions involving the use of interest rate futures; use options on futures contracts, interest rate caps, floors, and collars; and directly or indirectly use various different types of swaps, such as swaps on securities and securities indices, interest rate swaps, currency swaps, credit default swaps, commodity swaps, inflation swaps, and other types of available swap agreements. The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements with banks and broker-dealers. The Fund may temporarily invest a portion of its assets in cash or cash items pending other investments or to maintain liquid assets required in connection with some of the Fund's investments. The Fund may invest in pooled real estate investment vehicles. In addition, the Fund may invest up to 15% of its net assets in illiquid securities. For this purpose, "illiquid securities" are securities that the Fund may not sell or dispose of within seven days in the ordinary course of business at approximately the amount at which the Fund has valued the securities. The Fund may invest in the securities of other investment companies to the extent permitted by law.

Under adverse market conditions, the Fund may, for temporary defensive purposes, invest up to 100% of its assets in cash or cash equivalents, including investment grade short-term obligations. Investment grade obligations include securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities, as well as securities rated in one of the four highest rating categories by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations rating that security (such as Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or Moody's Investors Service, Inc.) or rated in one of the four highest rating categories by one rating organization if it is the only organization rating that security.

As stated in the Registration Statement, the following are fundamental policies of the Fund: (1) Regarding diversification, the Fund may not invest more than 5% of its total assets (taken at market value) in securities of any one issuer, other than obligations issued by the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities, or purchase more than 10% of the voting securities of any one issuer, with respect to 75% of an ETF's total assets;¹¹ and (2) regarding

concentration, the Fund may not invest more than 25% of its total assets in the securities of companies primarily engaged in any one industry or group of industries provided that: (i) This limitation does not apply to obligations issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities; and (ii) municipalities and their agencies and authorities are not deemed to be industries.

Creations and redemptions of Fund shares will generally be in-kind, with a specified Cash Component, as described in the Registration Statement. Authorized Participants or the investors on whose behalf the Authorized Participants are acting ("Investors"), however, may deliver in connection with creations or receive in connection with redemptions cash in lieu of one or more in-kind securities. Specifically, in connection with creations (or redemptions), an Authorized Participant or Investor may transact in cash, in whole or in part, at the sole discretion of the Fund, provided, however, that the cash amount delivered (or received) shall not exceed 10% of the value of the In-Kind Creation (or Redemption) Basket, unless the Authorized Participant or Investor is subject to legal restrictions with respect to delivery or receipt of one or more securities in the In-Kind Creation (or Redemption) Basket, or the Fund is in a temporary defensive position. The Creation Unit size for the Fund is 50,000 Shares.

Availability of Information

The Fund's Web site (<http://www.grailadvisors.com>), which will be publicly available prior to the public offering of Shares, will include a form of the Prospectus for the Fund that may be downloaded. The Fund's Web site will include additional quantitative information updated on a daily basis, including, for the Fund, (1) daily trading volume, the prior business day's reported closing price, NAV and mid-point of the bid/ask spread at the time of calculation of such NAV (the "Bid/Ask Price"),¹² and a calculation of the premium and discount of the Bid/Ask Price against the NAV, and (2) data in chart format displaying the frequency distribution of discounts and premiums of the daily Bid/Ask Price against the NAV, within appropriate ranges, for each of the four previous calendar quarters. On each business day, before commencement of trading in Shares in the Core Trading Session on the

Exchange, the Fund will disclose on its Web site the Disclosed Portfolio as defined in proposed Rule 8.600(c)(2) that will form the basis for the Fund's calculation of NAV at the end of the business day.¹³ The Registration Statement provides that the Fund's portfolio holdings are publicly disseminated each day the Fund is open for business through its internet Web site. In addition, a basket composition file, which includes the security names and share quantities required to be delivered in exchange for Fund shares, together with estimates and actual cash components, is publicly disseminated daily prior to the opening of the NYSE via the National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC"). The basket represents one Creation Unit of the Fund. The Web site information will be publicly available at no charge.

On a daily basis, the Fund will disclose on the Fund's Web site for each portfolio security or other financial instrument of the Fund the following information: ticker symbol (if applicable), name of security or financial instrument, number of shares or dollar value of financial instruments held in the portfolio, and percentage weighting of the security or financial instrument in the portfolio.

The NAV of the Fund will normally be determined as of the close of the regular trading session on the New York Stock Exchange (ordinarily 4 p.m. Eastern time) on each business day.

Investors can also obtain the Trust's Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), the Fund's Shareholder Reports, and its Form N-CSR and Form N-SAR, filed twice a year. The Trust's SAI and Shareholder Reports are available free upon request from the Trust, and those documents and the Form N-CSR and Form N-SAR may be viewed on-screen or downloaded from the Commission's Web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Information regarding market price and trading volume of the Shares is and will be continually available on a real-time basis throughout the day on brokers' computer screens and other electronic services. Information regarding the previous day's closing price and trading volume information will be published daily in the financial section of newspapers. Quotation and last sale information for the Shares will be available via the Consolidated Tape Association ("CTA")

¹¹ The diversification standards are included in Section 5(b)(1) of the 1940 Act. The Fund's fundamental policies may be changed with respect to an ETF only by a vote of the holders of a majority of the Fund's outstanding voting securities.

¹² The Bid/Ask Price of the Fund is determined using the highest bid and the lowest offer on the Exchange as of the time of calculation of the Fund's NAV. The records relating to Bid/Ask Prices will be retained by the Fund and its service providers.

¹³ Under accounting procedures followed by the Fund, trades made on the prior business day ("T") will be booked and reflected in NAV on the current business day ("T + 1"). Accordingly, the Fund will be able to disclose at the beginning of the business day the portfolio that will form the basis for the NAV calculation at the end of the business day.

high-speed line. In addition, the Portfolio Indicative Value, as defined in NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600 (c)(3), will be disseminated by the Exchange at least every 15 seconds during the Core Trading Session through the facilities of CTA. The dissemination of the Portfolio Indicative Value, together with the Disclosed Portfolio, will allow investors to determine the value of the underlying portfolio of the Fund on a daily basis and to provide a close estimate of that value throughout the trading day.

Additional information regarding the Shares and the Fund, including investment strategies, risks, creation and redemption procedures, fees, portfolio holdings disclosure policies, distributions and taxes is included in the Registration Statement. All terms relating to the Fund that are referred to, but not defined in, this proposed rule change are defined in the Registration Statement.

Trading Halts

With respect to trading halts, the Exchange may consider all relevant factors in exercising its discretion to halt or suspend trading in the Shares of the Fund.¹⁴ Trading in Shares of the Fund will be halted if the circuit breaker parameters in NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.12 have been reached. Trading also may be halted because of market conditions or for reasons that, in the view of the Exchange, make trading in the Shares inadvisable. These may include: (1) The extent to which trading is not occurring in the securities comprising the Disclosed Portfolio and/or the financial instruments of the Fund; or (2) whether other unusual conditions or circumstances detrimental to the maintenance of a fair and orderly market are present. Trading in the Shares will be subject to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600(d)(2)(D), which sets forth circumstances under which Shares of the Fund may be halted.

Trading Rules

The Exchange deems the Shares to be equity securities, thus rendering trading in the Shares subject to the Exchange's existing rules governing the trading of equity securities. Shares will trade on the NYSE Arca Marketplace from 4 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time in accordance with NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.34 (Opening, Core, and Late Trading Sessions). The Exchange has appropriate rules to facilitate transactions in the Shares during all trading sessions. The minimum trading

increment for Shares on the Exchange will be \$0.01.

Surveillance

The Exchange intends to utilize its existing surveillance procedures applicable to derivative products (which include Managed Fund Shares) to monitor trading in the Shares. The Exchange represents that these procedures are adequate to properly monitor Exchange trading of the Shares in all trading sessions and to deter and detect violations of Exchange rules and applicable federal securities laws.

The Exchange's current trading surveillance focuses on detecting securities trading outside their normal patterns. When such situations are detected, surveillance analysis follows and investigations are opened, where appropriate, to review the behavior of all relevant parties for all relevant trading violations.

The Exchange may obtain information via the Intermarket Surveillance Group ("ISG") from other exchanges that are members of ISG.¹⁵ In addition, the Exchange also has a general policy prohibiting the distribution of material, non-public information by its employees.

Information Bulletin

Prior to the commencement of trading, the Exchange will inform its ETP Holders in an Information Bulletin ("Bulletin") of the special characteristics and risks associated with trading the Shares. Specifically, the Bulletin will discuss the following: (1) The procedures for purchases and redemptions of Shares in Creation Unit aggregations (and that Shares are not individually redeemable); (2) NYSE Arca Equities Rule 9.2(a), which imposes a duty of due diligence on its ETP Holders to learn the essential facts relating to every customer prior to trading the Shares; (3) the risks involved in trading the Shares during the Opening and Late Trading Sessions when an updated Portfolio Indicative Value will not be calculated or publicly disseminated; (4) how information regarding the Portfolio Indicative Value is disseminated; (5) the requirement that ETP Holders deliver a prospectus to investors purchasing newly issued Shares prior to or concurrently with the confirmation of a transaction; and (6) trading information.

¹⁵ For a list of the current members of ISG, see <http://www.isgportal.org>. The Exchange notes that not all components of the Disclosed Portfolio for the Fund may trade on markets that are members of ISG and the Exchange may not have in place comprehensive surveillance sharing agreements with such markets.

In addition, the Bulletin will reference that the Fund is subject to various fees and expenses described in the Registration Statement. The Bulletin will discuss any exemptive, no-action, and interpretive relief granted by the Commission from any rules under the Exchange Act. The Bulletin will also disclose that the NAV for the Shares will be calculated after 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time each trading day.

2. Statutory Basis

The basis under the Exchange Act for this proposed rule change is the requirement under Section 6(b)(5)¹⁶ that an exchange have rules that are designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change will facilitate the listing and trading of an additional type of actively-managed exchange-traded product that will enhance competition among market participants, to the benefit of investors and the marketplace.

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 Exchange Act.

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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve the proposed rule change, or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹⁴ See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 7.12, Commentary .04.

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 Exchange 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 SR-NYSEArca-2009-83 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

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

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEArca-2009-83. 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 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing will also be available for inspection and copying at NYSE Arca's principal office. 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-2009-83 and should be submitted on or before October 30, 2009.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁷

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Amendments to Rule A-13, on Underwriting Assessments and Rule G-32, on Disclosures in Connection With Primary Offerings

October 2, 2009.

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 September 30, 2009, the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB" or "Board"), 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 prepared by the MSRB. The MSRB has designated the proposed rule change as changing a fee applicable to brokers, dealers and municipal securities dealers pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act,³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2) 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. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The MSRB is filing amendments to Rule A-13, which provides for fee assessments based on underwriting activity and Rule G-32, by adding a definition of commercial paper. The proposed rule change would apply to primary offerings of municipal securities for which submission of Form G-32 under Rule G-32(b)(i)(A) is initiated on or after December 1, 2009. The text of the proposed rule change is available on the MSRB's Web site at <http://www.msrb.org/msrb1/sec.asp>, at

¹⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

the MSRB's principal office, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to assess reasonable fees necessary to defray the costs and expenses of operating and administering the MSRB. The proposed rule change would partially accomplish this purpose by amending Rule A-13 to eliminate exemptions in Rule A-13 pertaining to underwriting assessments for primary offerings of municipal securities that: (i) Have an aggregate par value less than \$1,000,000; (ii) have a final stated maturity of nine months or less, except commercial paper; (iii) at the option of the holder thereof, may be tendered to an issuer of such securities or its designated agent for redemption or purchase at par value or more at least as frequently as every nine months until maturity, earlier redemption, or purchase by an issuer or its designated agent; and (iv) have authorized denominations of \$100,000 or more and are sold to no more than thirty-five persons each of whom the broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer ("dealer") reasonably believes: (A) Has the knowledge and experience necessary to evaluate the merits and risks of the investment; and (B) is not purchasing for more than one account, with a view toward distributing the securities ("limited offering"). The underwriting fee for primary offerings of these securities will be \$.03 per \$1000 par value, which is the current underwriting fee for primary offerings of municipal bonds. Additionally, the proposed rule change will further harmonize the underwriting fees of notes and bonds by changing the underwriting fee on primary offerings in which all securities offered have a final stated maturity less than two years to the rate of \$.03 per