

Exchange's rules and that it is in the public interest for rules to be accurate and concise so as to eliminate the potential for confusion.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule changes will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. Specifically, the Exchange believes the proposed changes will not impose any burden on intra-market competition as there is no functional change to the Exchange's System and because the rules of the Exchange apply to all MIAX Emerald participants equally. The proposed rule changes will have no impact on competition as they are not designed to address any competitive issues but rather are designed to remedy minor non-substantive issues and provide added clarity to the rule text of Exchange Rule 515. In addition, the Exchange does not believe the proposal will impose any burden on inter-market competition as the proposal does not address any competitive issues and is intended to protect investors by providing further transparency regarding the Exchange's functionality.

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

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

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 after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁵ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)⁶ thereunder.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.^{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 email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-28 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-EMERALD-2019-28. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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 website (<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 website viewing and printing 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. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-28 and

should be submitted on or before August 27, 2019.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 8, 2019.

PLACE: The meeting will be held at the Commission's headquarters, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

In the event that the time, date, or location of this meeting changes, an announcement of the change, along with the new time, date, and/or place of the meeting will be posted on the Commission's website at <https://www.sec.gov>.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (6), (7), (8), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (a)(8), (a)(9)(ii) and (a)(10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

The subject matters of the closed meeting will consist of the following topics:

Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings;

Resolution of litigation claims;

Consideration of amicus participation; and

Other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting agenda items that may consist of adjudicatory, examination, litigation, or regulatory matters

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: For further information; please contact

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6) requires a self-regulatory organization to give the Commission written notice of its intent to file 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 satisfied this requirement.

Vanessa A. Countryman from the Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Dated: August 1, 2019.

Vanessa A. Countryman,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-86532; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2019-02]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Order Granting Approval of a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1, To List and Trade the Shares of the ProShares UltraPro 3x Natural Gas ETF and ProShares UltraPro 3x Short Natural Gas ETF Under NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E

July 31, 2019.

I. Introduction

On January 28, 2019, NYSE Arca, Inc. (“Exchange” or “NYSE Arca”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act” or “Exchange Act”)² and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,³ a proposed rule change to list and trade shares (“Shares”) of the ProShares UltraPro 3x Natural Gas ETF and ProShares UltraPro 3x Short Natural Gas ETF (individually, “Fund,” and collectively, “Funds”) under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.200-E. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on February 15, 2019.⁴

On March 26, 2019, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁵ the Commission designated a longer period within which to approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove the proposed rule change.⁶ On May 15, 2019, the Commission instituted proceedings under Section 19(b)(2)(B) of the Act⁷ to determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed

rule change.⁸ In the Order Instituting Proceedings, the Commission solicited comments on specified matters related to the proposal.⁹ On June 26, 2019, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.¹⁰ The Commission has received no comments on the proposal. This order grants approval of the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 1.

II. Exchange’s Description of the Proposal, as Modified by Amendment No. 1¹¹

The Exchange proposes to list and trade the Shares of each Fund under NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E, Commentary .02, which governs the listing and trading of Trust Issued Receipts.¹² Each

⁸ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85860, 84 FR 23103 (May 21, 2019) (“Order Instituting Proceedings”).

⁹ Specifically, the Commission instituted proceedings to allow for additional analysis of the proposed rule change’s consistency with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, which requires, among other things, that the rules of a national securities exchange be “designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade,” and “to protect investors and the public interest.” See *id.*, 84 FR at 23104.

¹⁰ In Amendment No. 1, which amended and replaced the proposed rule change in its entirety, the Exchange clarified: (a) That each Fund will seek to invest in Futures Contracts (as defined herein) listed on NYMEX (as defined herein); (b) the specific circumstances and conditions under which a Fund may obtain exposure to the Benchmark (as defined herein) through investments in Financial Instruments (as defined herein); (c) the trading volume and open interest in natural gas futures contracts; (d) the trading hours of the natural gas futures contracts, the designated settlement time of the natural gas futures contracts, and the daily Benchmark closing value calculation time; and (e) that prior to the commencement of trading, the Exchange will inform its ETP Holders (as defined herein) of the suitability requirements of NYSE Arca Equities Rule 9.2-E(a) in an information bulletin. In addition, the Exchange made other technical, conforming, and non-substantive changes to the proposal. Because the changes in Amendment No. 1 do not materially alter the substance of the proposed rule change or raise unique or novel regulatory issues, Amendment No. 1 is not subject to notice and comment. Amendment No. 1 is available on the Commission’s website at: <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nysearca-2019-02/srnysearca201902-5736053-186688.pdf>.

¹¹ The Commission notes that additional information regarding, among other things, the Shares, Funds, investment objectives, permitted investments, investment strategies and methodologies, investment restrictions, creation and redemption procedures, availability of information, trading rules and halts, and surveillance procedures, can be found in the Notice (see *supra* note 4) and the Registration Statement (see *infra* note 13), as applicable.

¹² Commentary .02 to NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E applies to Trust Issued Receipts that invest in “Financial Instruments.” The term “Financial Instruments,” as defined in Commentary .02(b)(4) to NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E, means any combination of investments, including cash; securities; options on securities and indices; futures contracts; options on futures contracts; forward contracts; equity caps, collars, and floors; and swap agreements.

Fund is a series of the ProShares Trust II (“Trust”), a Delaware statutory trust.¹³ The Trust and the Funds are managed and controlled by ProShare Capital Management LLC (“ProShare Capital” or “Sponsor”). ProShare Capital is registered as a commodity pool operator with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and is a member of the National Futures Association. The Bank of New York Mellon will be the custodian, transfer agent, and administrator for the Funds. SEI Investments Distribution Co. will serve as distributor for the Funds.

Overview of the Funds

The investment objective of the ProShares UltraPro 3x Natural Gas ETF is to seek daily¹⁴ investment results (before fees and expenses) that correspond to three times (3x) the performance of the Bloomberg Natural Gas Subindex (“Benchmark”). The investment objective of the ProShares UltraPro 3x Short Natural Gas ETF is to seek daily investment results (before fees and expenses) that correspond to three times the inverse (-3x) of the performance of the Benchmark. The Benchmark is intended to reflect the performance of a rolling position in natural gas futures contracts listed on the New York Mercantile Exchange (“NYMEX,” which is part of the CME Group, Inc.), without regard to income earned on cash positions.

Investments of the Funds

In seeking to achieve the Funds’ investment objectives, ProShare Capital will utilize a mathematical approach to determine the type, quantity, and mix of investment positions that ProShare Capital believes, in combination, should produce daily returns consistent with the Funds’ respective objectives. Each Fund will seek to meet its respective investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions,¹⁵ in NYMEX-

¹³ The Trust is registered under the Securities Act of 1933. On May 19, 2017, the Trust filed with the Commission a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act of 1933 relating to the Funds (File No. 333-218136) (“Registration Statement”).

¹⁴ Each Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective for a single day, and not for any other period. The Exchange states that the return of a Fund for a period longer than a single trading day is the result of its return for each day compounded over the period and thus will usually differ from a Fund’s multiple times the return of the Benchmark for the same period.

¹⁵ The term “normal market conditions” includes, but is not limited to, the absence of: trading halts in the applicable financial markets generally; operational issues (e.g., systems failure) causing dissemination of inaccurate market information; or force majeure type events such as natural or manmade disaster, act of God, armed conflict, act of terrorism, riot or labor disruption, or any similar

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 15 U.S.C. 78a.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85088 (Feb. 11, 2019), 84 FR 4573 (“Notice”).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁶ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85417, 84 FR 12304 (Apr. 1, 2019). The Commission designated May 16, 2019, as the date by which the Commission shall approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to approve or disapprove, the proposed rule change.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)(B).