#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–86199; File No. SR– NYSEArca–2018–83]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on Proceedings to Determine Whether To Approve or Disapprove a Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 3, Regarding Changes to Investments of the iShares Bloomberg Roll Select Commodity Strategy ETF

June 26, 2019.

On December 19, 2018, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), 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> a proposed rule change regarding changes to investments of the iShares Bloomberg Roll Select Commodity Strategy ETF, shares of which are currently listed and traded on the Exchange under NYSE Arca Rule 8.600-E. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on December 31, 2018.<sup>3</sup> On February 13, 2019, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>4</sup> 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 approve or disapprove the proposed rule change.<sup>5</sup> On March 6, 2019, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change, which replaced and superseded the proposed rule change as originally filed. On March 14, 2019, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change, which replaced and superseded the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 1. On March 21, 2019, the Commission published for comment the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 2, and instituted proceedings to determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed rule change.<sup>6</sup> On March 29, 2019, the Exchange filed

<sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84931 (December 21, 2018), 83 FR 67741.

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85117, 84 FR 5124 (February 20, 2019). The Commission designated March 31, 2019, as the date by which the Commission shall approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether to approve or disapprove the proposed rule change.

<sup>6</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 85385, 84 FR 11582 (March 27, 2019). Amendment No. 3 to the proposed rule change, which replaced and superseded the proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 2.<sup>7</sup> The Commission has received no comments on the proposed rule change.

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>8</sup> provides that, after initiating disapproval proceedings, the Commission shall issue an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change not later than 180 days after the date of publication of notice of filing of the proposed rule change. The Commission may extend the period for issuing an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change, however, by not more than 60 days if the Commission determines that a longer period is appropriate and publishes the reasons for such determination. The proposed rule change was published for notice and comment in the Federal Register on December 31, 2018. June 29, 2019 is 180 days from that date, and August 28, 2019 is 240 days from that date.

The Commission finds it appropriate to designate a longer period within which to issue an order approving or disapproving the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider this proposed rule change. Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>9</sup> designates August 28, 2019 as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove the proposed rule change (File No. SR–NYSEArca–2018–83), as modified by Amendment No. 3.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{\rm 10}$ 

# Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-86201; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2013-107]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Order Granting an Extension to Limited Exemption From Rule 612(c) of Regulation NMS in Connection With the Exchange's Retail Liquidity Program Until September 30, 2019

# June 26, 2019.

On December 23, 2013, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") issued an order pursuant to its authority under Rule 612(c) of Regulation NMS ("Sub-Penny Rule'')<sup>1</sup> that granted NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange") a limited exemption from the Sub-Penny Rule in connection with the operation of the Exchange's Retail Liquidity Program ("Program").<sup>2</sup> The limited exemption was granted concurrently with the Commission's approval of the Exchange's proposal to adopt its Program for a one-year pilot term.<sup>3</sup> The exemption was granted coterminous with the effectiveness of the pilot Program; both the pilot Program and exemption are scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>4</sup> On March 19, 2015, the Exchange requested an extension of the exemption for the Program. See letter from Martha Redding, Senior Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated March 19, 2015. The pilot period for the Program was extended until September 30, 2015. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 74572 (Mar. 24, 2015), 80 FR 16705 (Mar. 30, 2015) (SR-NYSEArca-2015-22). On September 17, 2015, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the Program. See letter from Martha Redding, Senior Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated September 17, 2015. The pilot period for the Program was extended until March 31, 2016. See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 75994 (Sept. 28, 2015), 80 FR 59834 (Oct. 2, 2015) (SR-NYSÉArca-2015-84) and 77236 (Feb. 25. 2016), 81 FR 10943 (Mar. 2, 2016) (SR-NYSEArca-2016-30). On March 17, 2016, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the Program. See letter from Martha Redding, Senior Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated March 17, 2016. The pilot period for the Program was extended until August 31, 2016. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 77425 (Mar. 23, 2016), 81 FR 17523 (Mar. 29, 2016) (SR-NYSEArca-2016-47). On August 8, 2016, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the Program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated August 8, 2016. The pilot period for the Program was extended until December 31, 2016. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 78601 (Aug. 17, 2016), 81 FR 57632 (Aug. 23, 2016) (SR-NYSEArca-2016-113). On Continued

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

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

<sup>4 15</sup> U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Amendment No. 3 is available at: https:// www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nysearca-2018-83/ srnysearca201883-5296847-183766.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>9</sup> Id.

<sup>10 17</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(57).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>17 CFR 242.612(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71176 (December 23, 2013), 78 FR 79524 (December 30, 2013) (SR–NYSEArca–2013–107) (''Order'').

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See id.

The Exchange now seeks to extend the exemption until September 30, 2019.<sup>5</sup> The Exchange's request was made in conjunction with an immediately effective filing that extends the operation of the Program through the same date.<sup>6</sup> In its request to extend the exemption, the Exchange notes that the participation in the Program has increased more recently with additional Retail Liquidity Providers. Accordingly, the Exchange has asked for additional time to both allow for additional opportunities for greater participation in the Program and allow for further assessment of the results of such participation. For this reason and the reasons stated in the Order originally granting the limited exemption, the Commission finds that extending the exemption, pursuant to its authority under Rule 612(c) of Regulation NMS, is appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors.

*Therefore, it is hereby ordered* that, pursuant to Rule 612(c) of Regulation

<sup>5</sup> See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, NYSE to Vanessa Countryman, Secretary, Commission, dated June 19, 2019.

<sup>6</sup> See SR–NYSEArca–2019–45.

NMS, the Exchange is granted a limited exemption from Rule 612 of Regulation NMS that allows it to accept and rank orders priced equal to or greater than \$1.00 per share in increments of \$0.001, in connection with the operation of its Retail Liquidity Program, until September 30, 2019.

The limited and temporary exemption extended by this Order is subject to modification or revocation if at any time the Commission determines that such action is necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Responsibility for compliance with any applicable provisions of the Federal securities laws must rest with the persons relying on the exemptions that are the subject of this Order.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.  $^{7}\,$ 

#### Eduardo A. Aleman,

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–86198; File No. SR– NYSEArca–2019–45]

#### Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Extend the Pilot Period for the Exchange Retail Liquidity Program Until September 30, 2019

June 26, 2019.

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 19, 2019, NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange" or "NYSE Arca") 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 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 proposes to extend the pilot period for the Exchange's Retail Liquidity Program (the "Retail Liquidity Program" or the "Program"), which is currently scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019, until September 30, 2019. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at *www.nyse.com*, at the principal office of the Exchange, 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

The Exchange proposes to extend the pilot period for the Exchange's Retail Liquidity Program (the "Retail Liquidity Program" or the "Program"), which is currently scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019, until September 30, 2019. The proposed rule change is available on the Exchange's website at *www.nyse.com*, at the principal office of the Exchange, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

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

#### 1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to extend the pilot period of the Retail Liquidity Program, currently scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019,<sup>3</sup> until September 30, 2019.

# Background

In December 2013, the Commission approved the Retail Liquidity Program on a pilot basis.<sup>4</sup> The Program is designed to attract retail order flow to the Exchange, and allows such order flow to receive potential price improvement. The Program is currently limited to trades occurring at prices equal to or greater than \$1.00 per share. Under the Program, Retail Liquidity Providers ("RLPs") are able to provide potential price improvement in the form of a non-displayed order that is priced better than the Exchange's best protected bid or offer ("PBBO"), called a Retail Price Improvement Order ("RPI"). When there is an RPI in a particular security, the Exchange disseminates an indicator, known as the Retail Liquidity Identifier, indicating that such interest exists. Retail Member Organizations ("RMOs") can submit a Retail Order to the Exchange, which would interact, to the extent possible, with available contra-side RPIs.

November 28, 2016, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated November 28, 2016. The pilot period for the Program was extended until June 30, 2017. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 79495 (Dec. 7, 2016), 81 FR 90033 (Dec. 13, 2016) (SR-NYSEArca-2016-157). On May 23, 2017, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated May 23, 2017. The pilot period for the Program was extended until December 31, 2017. See Securities Exchange Act Release No.80851 (June 2, 2017), 82 FR 26722 (June 8, 2017) (SR-NYSEArca-2017-63). On November 30, 2017, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption to the program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Assistant Secretary, NYSE, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated November 30, 2017. The pilot period for the Program was extended until June 30, 2018. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 82289 (December 11, 2017), 82 FR 59677 (December 15, 2017) (SR-NYSEArca-2017-137). On June 14, 2018, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the Program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, NYSE to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated June 14, 2018. The pilot period for the Program was extended until December 31, 2018. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 83538 (June 28, 2018), 83 FR 31210 (July 3, 2018) (SR-NYSEArca-2018-46). On November 30, 2018, the Exchange requested another extension of the exemption for the Program. See Letter from Martha Redding, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary, NYSE to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated November 30, 2018. The pilot period for the Program was extended until June 30, 2019. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84773 (December 10, 2018), 83 FR 64419 (December 14, 2018) (SR-NYSEArca-2018-89).

<sup>717</sup> CFR 200.30-3(a)(83).

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 84773 (December 10, 2018), 83 FR 64419 (December 14, 2018) (SR–NYSEArca–2018–89).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 71176 (December 23, 2013), 78 FR 79524 (December 30, 2013) (SR–NYSEArca–2013–107) ("RLP Approval Order").