



Information Circular: Rydex Exchange-Traded Funds

To: Head Traders, Technical Contacts, Compliance Officers, Heads of ETF Trading, Structured Products Traders

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| Exchange-Traded Fund | Symbol | CUSIP # |
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| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Consumer Discretionary ETF | RCD | 78355W 88 2 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Consumer Staples ETF | RHS | 78355W 87 4 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Energy ETF | RYE | 78355W 86 6 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Financial ETF | RYF | 78355W 85 8 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Health Care ETF | RYH | 78355W 84 1 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Industrial ETF | RGI | 78355W 83 3 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Materials ETF | RTM | 78355W 82 5 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Technology ETF | RYT | 78355W 81 7 |
| Rydex S&P Equal Weight Utilities ETF | RYU | 78355W 79 1 |
| Rydex S&P 500 Pure Value ETF | RPV | 78355W 30 4 |
| Rydex S&P 500 Pure Growth ETF | RPG | 78355W 40 3 |
| Rydex S&P MidCap 400 Pure Value ETF | RFV | 78355W 50 2 |
| Rydex S&P MidCap 400 Pure Growth ETF | RFG | 78355W 60 1 |
| Rydex S&P SmallCap 600 Pure Value ETF | RZV | 78355W 70 0 |
| Rydex S&P SmallCap 600 Pure Growth ETF | RZG | 78355W 80 9 |

Background Information on the Funds

This Information Circular relates to the Rydex index funds ("Funds") listed above. The Funds seek to provide investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the Fund's fees and expenses) of a particular S&P Sector Index. Each Fund will use a "replication" strategy to try to track the underlying index. "Replication" refers to investing in substantially all of the securities in the underlying index in approximately the same proportions as in the underlying index.

Rydex Global Advisors ("Adviser") serves as investment adviser and manager of the Funds. Rydex Distributors, Inc. is the distributor for the Funds ("Distributor"). The Distributor is under common control with, and is therefore an affiliate of the Advisor.

As described more fully in the prospectus and statement of additional information ("SAI") for a Fund, each Fund offers and issues shares ("Shares") at their net asset value ("NAV") only in aggregations of 50,000 Shares (each, a "Creation Unit"), generally in exchange for a basket of equity securities included in the underlying index, together with the deposit of a specified cash payment. The Shares will trade at market prices that may differ from the Shares' NAV. The Shares are redeemable

only in Creation Unit aggregations, and, generally, in exchange for portfolio securities and a specified cash payment. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, the Shares may not be redeemed with the Funds.

Each Fund is part of a Trust that is an open-end management investment company, registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). Each Fund is an investment company and an exchange-traded "index fund."

The Funds pay out to shareholders at least annually. Each Fund distributes its net capital gains, if any, to shareholders annually.

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") serves as securities depository for the Shares, which are held only in book-entry form; stock certificates will not be issued. DTC, or its nominee, is the record or registered owner of all outstanding Shares of each Fund. The Funds calculate NAV once each business day as of the regularly scheduled close of normal trading of the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") (normally, 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time) every day that the NYSE is open for business (a "Business Day"). The NAV is available from the Distributor and is also available to National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") participants through data made available from NSCC.

The registration statement for a Fund describes the various fees and expenses for the Fund's shares.

For a more complete description of the Funds and the underlying indexes, visit www.rydexfunds.com.

Purchases and Redemptions in Creation Unit Size

PHLX members and member organizations are hereby informed that procedures for purchases and redemptions of Shares in Creation Unit Size are described in the Trust's prospectus and SAI, and that Shares are not individually redeemable but are redeemable only in Creation Unit Size aggregations or multiples thereof.

Principal Risks

Interested persons are referred to the discussion in the prospectus for a Fund of the principal risks of an investment in that Fund. These include tracking error risk (factors causing a Fund's performance to not match the performance of the underlying index), market trading risk (for example, trading halts, trading above or below net asset value), stock market risk, investment style risk, interest rate risk, investment approach risk, concentration risk, non-diversification risk, issuer-specific risk, management risk, lack of market liquidity, lack of governmental insurance or guarantee, and fiscal policy risk.

Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Shares

Trading in the Shares on PHLX's PSX System is on a UTP basis and is subject to PHLX equity trading rules.

Trading Hours

The values of the index underlying the Shares are disseminated to data vendors every 15 seconds. The Shares will trade on PSX between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET. For trading during PSX Pre-Market and Post-Market Sessions, market participants should note that additional risks may exist with respect to trading the Funds during these sessions, when the underlying index's values, intraday indicative value, or similar value may not be disseminated or calculated.

Suitability

Members and member organizations recommending transactions in the Shares to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer, as provided by PHLX Rule 763.

PHLX members and member organizations also should review NASD Notice to Members 03-71 for guidance on trading these products. The Notice reminds members of their obligations to: (1) conduct adequate due diligence to understand the features of the product; (2) perform a reasonable-basis suitability analysis; (3) perform customer-specific suitability analysis in connection with any recommended transactions; (4) provide a balanced disclosure of both the risks and rewards associated with the particular product, especially when selling to retail investors; (5) implement appropriate internal controls; and (6) train registered persons regarding the features, risk and suitability of these products.

Trading Halts

PHLX will halt trading in the Shares of a Fund in accordance with PHLX Rule 3100. The grounds for a halt under these rules include a halt by the primary market because the intraday indicative value of the Fund, the value of its underlying index, or a similar value are not being disseminated as required, or a halt for other regulatory reasons. In addition, PHLX will also stop trading the Shares of a Fund if the primary market de-lists the Fund.

Delivery of a Prospectus

PHLX members and member organizations should be mindful of applicable prospectus delivery requirements under the federal securities laws with respect to transactions in the Funds.

Prospectuses may be obtained through the Funds' website. The prospectus for the Fund does not contain all of the information set forth in the Funds' registration statement (including the exhibits to the registration statement), parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). For further information about the Funds, please refer to the registration statement.

In the event that the Funds rely upon an order by the SEC exempting the Shares from certain prospectus delivery requirements under Section 24(d) of the 1940 Act and in the future make available a written product description, PHLX Rule 803(o) requires that PHLX members and member organizations provide to all purchasers of Shares a written description of the terms and characteristics of such securities, in a

form prepared by the Trust for the Funds, no later than the time a confirmation of the first transaction in the Shares is delivered to such purchaser. In addition, PHLX members and member organizations shall include such a written description with any sales material relating to the Shares that is provided to customers or the public. Any other written materials provided by a PHLX member or member organization to customers or the public making specific reference to the Shares as an investment vehicle must include a statement in substantially the following form: "A circular describing the terms and characteristics of the Shares of the Fund has been prepared by the Trust and is available from your broker. It is recommended that you obtain and review such circular before purchasing Shares of the Fund. In addition, upon request you may obtain from your broker a prospectus for Shares of the Fund."

A PHLX member or member organization carrying an omnibus account for a non-member broker-dealer is required to inform such non-member that execution of an order to purchase Shares for such omnibus account will be deemed to constitute agreement by the non-member to make such written description available to its customers on the same terms as are directly applicable to PHLX members and member organizations under this rule.

Upon request of a customer, PHLX members and member organizations also shall provide a copy of the prospectus.

Exemptive, Interpretive and No-Action Relief Under Federal Securities Regulations

The SEC has issued exemptive, interpretive or no-action relief from certain provisions of rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") regarding trading in the above mentioned exchange-traded Fund.

Regulation M Exemptions

Generally, Rules 101 and 102 of Regulation M prohibit any "distribution participant" and its "affiliated purchasers" from bidding for, purchasing, or attempting to induce any person to bid for or purchase any security which is the subject of a distribution until after the applicable restricted period, except as specifically permitted in Regulation M. The provisions of the Rules apply to underwriters, prospective underwriters, brokers, dealers, and other persons who have agreed to participate or are participating in a distribution of securities.

The SEC has granted an exemption from Rule 101 under Regulation M to permit persons participating in a distribution of shares of the above-mentioned Fund to engage in secondary market transactions in such shares during their participation in such a distribution. In addition, the SEC has granted relief under Regulation M to permit persons who may be deemed to be participating in the distribution of Shares of the above-mentioned Fund (i) to purchase securities for the purpose of purchasing Creation Unit Aggregations of Fund Shares and (ii) to tender securities for redemption in Creation Unit Aggregations. Further, the SEC has clarified that the tender of Fund Shares to the Fund for redemption does not constitute a bid for or purchase of any of the Fund's securities during the restricted period of Rule 101. The SEC has also granted an exemption pursuant to paragraph (e) of Rule 102 under Regulation M to allow the redemption of Fund Shares in Creation Unit Aggregations during the continuous offering of Shares.

Customer Confirmations for Creation or Redemption of Fund Shares (SEC Rule 10b-10)

Broker-dealers who handle purchases or redemptions of Fund Shares in Creation Unit size for customers will be permitted to provide such customers with a statement of the number of Creation Unit Aggregations created or redeemed without providing a statement of the identity, number and price of shares of the individual securities tendered to the Fund for purposes of purchasing Creation Unit Aggregations ("Deposit Securities") or the identity, number and price of shares to be delivered by the Trust for the Fund to the redeeming holder ("Redemption Securities"). The composition of the securities required to be tendered to the Fund for creation purposes and of the securities to be delivered on redemption will be disseminated each business day and will be applicable to requests for creations or redemption, as the case may be, on that day. This exemptive relief under Rule 10b-10 with respect to creations and redemptions is subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Confirmations to customers engaging in creations or redemptions must state that all information required by Rule 10b-10 will be provided upon request;
- 2) Any such request by a customer for information required by Rule 10b-10 will be filed in a timely manner, in accordance with Rule 10b-10(c);
- 3) Except for the identity, number and price of shares of the component securities of the Deposit Securities and Redemption Securities, as described above, confirmations to customers must disclose all other information required by Rule 10b-10(a).

SEC Rule 14e-5

An exemption from Rule 14e-5 has been granted to permit any person acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a component security of the Funds (1) to redeem Fund Shares in Creation Unit Aggregations from the issuer that may include a security subject to such tender offer and (2) to purchase Fund Shares during such tender offer. In addition, a no-action position has been taken under Rule 14e-5 if a broker-dealer acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a security of the Fund purchases or arranges to purchase such securities in the secondary market for the purpose of tendering such securities to purchase one or more Creation Unit Aggregations of Shares, if made in conformance with the following:

- 1) such bids or purchases are effected in the ordinary course of business, in connection with a basket of 20 or more securities in which any security that is the subject of a distribution, or any reference security, does not comprise more than 5% of the value of the basket purchased; or
- 2) purchases are effected as adjustments to such basket in the ordinary course of business as a result of a change in the composition of the underlying index; and
- 3) such bids or purchases are not effected for the purpose of facilitating such tender offer.

Section 11(d)(1); SEC Rules 11d1-1 and 11d1-2

Section 11(d)(1) of the Act generally prohibits a person who is both a broker and a dealer from effecting any transaction in which the broker-dealer extends credit to a customer on any security which was part of a new issue in the distribution of which he participated as a member of a selling syndicate or group within thirty days prior to such transaction. The SEC has clarified that Section 11(d)(1) does not apply to broker-dealers that are not Authorized Participants (and, therefore, do not create Creation Unit Aggregations) that engage in both proprietary and customer transactions in Shares of the Funds in the secondary market, and for broker-dealer Authorized Participants that engage in creations of Creation Unit Aggregations. This relief is subject to specific conditions, including the condition that such broker-dealer (whether or not an Authorized Participant) does not, directly or indirectly, receive from the fund complex any payment, compensation or other economic incentive to promote or sell the Shares of the Funds to persons outside the fund complex, other than non-cash compensation permitted under NASD Rule 2830(l)(5)(A), (B) or (C). (See [letter](#) from Catherine McGuire, Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Securities Industry Association, Derivative Products Committee, dated November 21, 2005.) The SEC also has taken a no-action position under Section 11(d)(1) of the Act that broker-dealers may treat Shares of the Fund, for purposes of Rule 11d1-2, as "securities issued by a registered open-end investment company as defined in the Investment Company Act" and thereby extend credit or maintain or arrange for the extension or maintenance of credit on Shares that have been owned by the persons to whom credit is provided for more than 30 days, in reliance on the exemption contained in the rule.

SEC Rule 15c1-5 and 15c1-6

The SEC has taken a no-action position with respect to Rule 15c1-5 and Rule 15c1-6 as to the required disclosure of control by a broker or dealer with respect to creations and redemptions of Fund Shares and secondary market transactions therein. (See [letter](#) from Catherine McGuire, Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Securities Industry Association, Derivative Products Committee, dated November 21, 2005.)

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. PHLX members and member organizations should consult the Funds' prospectus and/or the Funds' website for relevant information.

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