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Text of the Proposed Rule Change NYSE American Rules

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Rule 5.2E

(j) Exchange Traded Products

(6) Equity Index-Linked Securities, Commodity-Linked Securities, Currency-Linked Securities, Fixed Income Index-Linked Securities, Futures-Linked Securities and Multifactor Index-Linked Securities

(B) Requirements Specific to Equity Index-Linked Securities, Commodity-Linked Securities, Currency-Linked Securities, Fixed Income Index-Linked Securities, Futures-Linked Securities and Multifactor Index-Linked Securities.

The issue must meet one of the criteria set forth below.

I. Equity Index-Linked Securities Listing Standards

- (1) The Exchange will consider listing Equity Index-Linked Securities that meet the requirements of this subparagraph (B)(I), where the payment at maturity or earlier redemption is based on an index or indexes of equity securities, securities of closed-end management investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") and/or [investment company units] Investment Company Units. The issue must meet the following initial listing criteria:
 - (a) Each underlying index is required to have at least ten (10) component securities; provided, however, that there will be no minimum number of component securities if one or more issues of Derivative Securities Products (i.e., Investment Company Units (as described in Rule 5.2E(j)(3)) and securities described in Section 2 of Rule 8) or Index-Linked Securities (as

- described in Rule 5.2E(j)(6)), constitute, at least in part, component securities underlying an issue of Equity Index-Linked Securities. The securities described in Rule 5.2E(j)(3)), Section 2 of Rule 8, and Rule 5.2E(j)(6), as referenced below in Rule 5.2E(j)(6)(B)(I)(1)(b)(2) and Rule 5.2E(j)(6)(B)(I)(2)(a) below, will include securities listed on another national securities exchange pursuant to substantially equivalent listing rules.
- (b) The index or indexes to which the security is linked will either (1) have been reviewed and approved for the trading of [investment company units] Investment Company Units or options or other derivatives by the Commission under Section 19(b)(2) of the Act and rules thereunder and the conditions set forth in the Commission's approval order, including comprehensive surveillance sharing agreements for non-U.S. stocks, continue to be satisfied, or (2) the index or indexes meet the following criteria:
 - (i) Each component security (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) has a minimum market value of at least \$75 million, except that for each of the lowest dollar weighted component securities in the index that in the aggregate account for no more than 10% of the dollar weight of the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities), the market value can be at least \$50 million;
 - (ii) Component stocks (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) that in the aggregate account for at least 90% of the weight of the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) each will have a minimum global monthly trading volume of 1,000,000 shares, or minimum global notional volume traded per month of \$25,000,000, averaged over the last six months;
- (iii) No underlying component security (excluding Derivative Securities

 Products and Index-Linked Securities) will represent more than 25% of the dollar weight of the index, and, to the extent applicable, the five highest dollar weighted component securities in the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) do not in the aggregate account for more than 50% of the dollar weight of the index (60% for an index consisting of fewer than 25 component securities); and
- (iv) 90% of the index's numerical value (excluding Derivative Securities

 Products and Index-Linked Securities) and at least 80% of the total number of component securities (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) will meet the then current criteria for standardized option trading set forth in Rule 915; an index will not be subject to this requirement if (a) no underlying component security represents more than

10% of the dollar weight of the index (excluding Derivative Securities) Products and Index-Linked Securities) and (b) the index has a minimum of 20 components (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities); and

- (2) Continued Listing Criteria—(a) The Exchange will maintain surveillance procedures for securities listed under this Rule 5.2E(j)(6) and may halt trading in such securities and will initiate delisting proceedings pursuant to Rule 5.5E(m) (unless the Commission has approved the continued trading of the subject Index-Linked Security), if any of the standards set forth above in paragraphs 1(a) and (b)(2) are not continuously maintained, except that:
 - (i) the criteria that no single component represent more than 25% of the dollar weight of the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) and, to the extent applicable, the five highest dollar weighted components in the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) cannot represent more than 50% (or 60% for indexes with less than 25 components) of the dollar weight of the [I]index, need only be satisfied at the time the [I]index is rebalanced;
 - (ii) Component stocks (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) that in the aggregate account for at least 90% of the weight of the index (excluding Derivative Securities Products and Index-Linked Securities) each will have a minimum global monthly trading volume of 500,000 shares, or minimum global notional volume traded per month of \$12,500,000, averaged over the last six months.
