SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-63076; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2010-79)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Order Granting Approval of a Proposed Rule Change to List and Trade Shares of Cambria Global Tactical ETF

I. Introduction

On August 23, 2010, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") ¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder, ² a proposed rule change to list and trade shares ("Shares") of the Cambria Global Tactical ETF ("Fund") under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on September 8, 2010. The Commission received no comments on the proposal. This order grants approval of the proposed rule change.

II. <u>Description of the Proposed Rule Change</u>

The Exchange proposes to list and trade Shares of the Fund under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600, which governs the listing of Managed Fund Shares.⁴ The Shares will be offered by AdvisorShares Trust ("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.⁵ The investment advisor to the Fund is AdvisorShares Investments, LLC ("Advisor"),

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

¹ 15 U.S.C.78s(b)(1).

See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 62788 (August 30, 2010), 75 FR 54676 ("Notice").

See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600.

The Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. On June 30, 2010, the Trust filed with the Commission a registration statement on Form N-1A (File Nos. 333-157876 and 811-22110) ("Registration Statement").

and the day-to-day portfolio management of the Fund is provided by the sub-advisor to the Fund, Cambria Investment Management, Inc. ("Sub-Advisor"). The Exchange represents that the Shares will conform to the initial and continued listing criteria under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600 and that the Fund will be in compliance with Rule 10A-3 under the Act, as provided by NYSE Arca Equities Rule 5.3.

The Fund is a "fund of funds," which means that the Fund seeks to invest primarily in other exchange-traded funds listed and traded in the United States ("Underlying ETFs") and certain other exchange-traded products including, but not limited to, exchange-traded notes, exchange-traded currency trusts and closed-end funds. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective of preserving and growing capital from investments in the U.S. and foreign equity, fixed income, commodity and currency markets, independent of market direction, by producing absolute returns with reduced volatility and manageable risk and drawdowns. The Sub-Advisor will utilize a proprietary quantitative trend-following approach to actively manage the Fund's portfolio. No effort is made by the Sub-Advisor to forecast future market trends or direction; rather, the Fund seeks to capture profits in these trends when and where they develop. The strategy is diversified across markets and timeframes with strict risk control methods that are rules-based and systematic. Except for Underlying ETFs that may hold non-U.S. issues, the Fund will not otherwise invest in non-U.S. issues.

Additional information regarding the Fund, the Shares, the Fund's investment objective, strategies, methodology, and restrictions, the Advisor and Sub-Advisor, risks, fees and expenses, creations and redemptions of Shares, availability of information, trading rules and halts, and

The Exchange represents that neither the Advisor nor the Sub-Advisor is affiliated with a broker-dealer. See Commentary .06 to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600.

⁷ 17 CFR 240.10A-3.

surveillance procedures, among other things, can be found in the Registration Statement and in the Notice, as applicable.⁸

III. <u>Discussion and Commission's Findings</u>

After careful review, the Commission finds that the Exchange's proposal to list and trade the Shares is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange. In particular, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, which requires, among other things, that the Exchange's rules be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Commission finds that the proposal to list and trade the Shares on the Exchange is consistent with Section 11A(a)(1)(C)(iii) of the Act, which sets forth Congress's finding that it is in the public interest and appropriate for the protection of investors and the maintenance of fair and orderly markets to assure the availability to brokers, dealers and investors of information with respect to quotations for and transactions in securities. Quotation and last-sale information for the Shares will be available via the Consolidated Tape Association high-speed line, and the Exchange will disseminate the Portfolio Indicative Value ("PIV") at least every 15 seconds during the Core Trading Session through one or more major market data vendors. In addition, the Fund will make available on its website on each business day before commencement of the Core Trading Session the Disclosed Portfolio that will form the basis for the Fund's calculation

⁸ See supra notes 3 and 5.

In approving this proposed rule change, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. <u>See</u> 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁵ U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

of the net asset value ("NAV"). 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, will be publicly disseminated daily prior to the opening of the NYSE via the National Securities Clearing Corporation. The Fund's website will also include additional quantitative information updated on a daily basis relating to trading volume, the prior business day's reported NAV, 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 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. Information regarding the market price and trading volume of the Shares will be continually available on a real-time basis throughout the day on brokers' computer screens and other electronic services, and the previous day's closing price and trading volume information for the Shares will be published daily in the financial sections of newspapers.

The Commission further believes that the proposal to list and trade the Shares is reasonably designed to promote fair disclosure of information that may be necessary to price the Shares appropriately and to prevent trading when a reasonable degree of transparency cannot be assured. The Commission notes that the Advisor and Sub-Advisor to the Fund are not affiliated

On a daily basis, the Advisor will disclose 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, Inc. ("NYSE") (ordinarily 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) on each business day.

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

with a broker-dealer.¹³ The Commission also notes that the Exchange will obtain a representation from the Fund that the NAV per Share will be calculated daily and that the NAV and the Disclosed Portfolio will be made available to all market participants at the same time.¹⁴ Additionally, if it becomes aware that the NAV or the Disclosed Portfolio is not disseminated to all market participants at the same time, the Exchange will halt trading in the Shares until such information is available to all market participants. Further, if the PIV is not being disseminated as required, the Exchange may halt trading during the day in which the interruption occurs; if the interruption persists past the day in which it occurred, the Exchange will halt trading no later than the beginning of the trading day following the interruption.¹⁵ Finally, the Commission notes that the Reporting Authority that provides the Disclosed Portfolio must implement and maintain, or be subject to, procedures designed to prevent the use and dissemination of material non-public information regarding the actual components of the portfolio.¹⁶

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See Commentary .06 to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600. The Commission notes that Commentary .06 to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600 requires that any investment advisers to the Fund that are affiliated with a broker-dealer are required to implement a fire-wall with respect to such broker-dealer regarding access to information concerning the composition of the portfolio. Commentary .06 to NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600 also requires that any personnel who make decisions on the Fund's portfolio composition must be subject to procedures designed to prevent the use and dissemination of material non-public information regarding the portfolio.

See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600(d)(1)(B).

See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600(d)(2)(D). Trading in the Shares may also 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.

See NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600(d)(2)(B)(ii).

The Exchange has represented that the Shares are equity securities subject to the Exchange's rules governing the trading of equity securities. In support of this proposal, the Exchange has made representations, including:

- (1) The Shares will conform to the initial and continued listing criteria under NYSE Arca Equities Rule 8.600.
- (2) The Exchange's surveillance 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.
- in an Information Bulletin of the special characteristics and risks associated with trading the Shares. Specifically, the Information Bulletin will discuss the following: (a) the procedures for purchases and redemptions of Shares and that Shares are not individually redeemable; (b) 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; (c) the risks involved in trading the Shares during the Opening and Late Trading Sessions when an updated PIV will not be calculated or publicly disseminated; (d) how information regarding the PIV is disseminated; (e) 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 (f) trading information.
- (4) The Fund will be in compliance with Rule 10A-3 under the Act. 17

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¹⁷ 17 CFR 240.10A-3.

(5) Except for Underlying ETFs that may hold non-U.S. issues, the Fund will not otherwise invest in non-U.S. issues.

In addition, the Commission notes that it has not received any comments regarding the proposed rule change.

For the forgoing reasons, the Commission believes that the Exchange's proposal to list and trade the Shares is consistent with the Act. This order is based on the Exchange's representations.

IV. Conclusion

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, ¹⁸ that the proposed rule change (SR-NYSEArca-2010-79) be, and it hereby is, approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 19

Florence E. Harmon, Deputy Secretary

¹⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹⁹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).