SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Release No. 34-82602; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2017-139)

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Designation of a Longer Period for Commission Action on a Proposed Rule Change to List and Trade the Shares of the ProShares Bitcoin ETF and the ProShares Short Bitcoin ETF under NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E, Commentary .02

On December 4, 2017, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("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 to list and trade the shares of the ProShares Bitcoin ETF and the ProShares Short Bitcoin ETF under NYSE Arca Rule 8.200-E, Commentary .02. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on December 26, 2017.<sup>3</sup> The Commission has received one comment letter on the proposed rule change.<sup>4</sup>

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>5</sup> provides that within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 82350 (Dec. 19, 2017), 82 FR 61100.</u>

See Letter from Abe Kohen, AK Financial Engineering Consultants, LLC (Dec. 27, 2017). All comments on the proposed rule change are available on the Commission's website at: <a href="https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nysearca-2017-139/nysearca2017139.htm">https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nysearca-2017-139/nysearca2017139.htm</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

Commission is extending this 45-day time period. The Commission finds that it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the proposed rule change so that it has sufficient time to consider the proposed rule change.

Accordingly, the Commission, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> designates March 26, 2018, as the date by which the Commission shall either approve or disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove, the proposed rule change (File No. SR-NYSEArca-2017-139).

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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;u>Id.</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).