Subject: First Trust ISE Global Wind Energy Index Fund

Background Information on the Fund

As more fully explained in the Registration Statement (Nos. 333-143964 and 811-21944) for the Trust, the Trust is a open-end management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (“1940 Act”), and currently consists of separate exchange traded “index funds,” including the Fund.

The Fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the Fund’s fees and expenses) of an equity index called the ISE Global Wind Energy Index. The Fund will normally invest at least 90% of its assets in common stocks that comprise the Index or in depositary receipts that may include American Depositary Receipts (“ADRs”), Global Depositary Receipts (“GDRs”), European Depositary Receipts (“EDRs”), New York shares or global shares (collectively “Depositary Receipts”) representing securities in the Index.

First Trust Advisors, L.P. (“Adviser”) serves as investment adviser and portfolio manager of the Fund. First Trust Portfolios, L.P., is the distributor for the Fund (“Distributor”). The Bank of New York Mellon is the administrator, custodian and fund accounting and transfer agent for the Fund (“Custodian”).

As described more fully in the Trust’s prospectus and statement of additional information (“SAI”), the Fund offers and issues shares at their net asset value (“NAV”) only in aggregations of 100,000 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 on NYSE Arca 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 Fund.

Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid semi-annually. The Fund distributes its net realized 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 the Funds. The Fund calculates 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 Trust’s registration statement describes the various fees and expenses for the Fund’s shares. For a more complete description of the Fund and the underlying index, visit www.ftportfolios.com.

**Principal Risks**

Interested persons are referred to the Prospectus for a description of risks associated with an investment in the Shares. These risks include the risk that a Fund’s return may not match the return of its index for a number of reasons including the incursion by a Fund of operating expenses and costs not applicable to its index. In addition, as noted in the Prospectus, the Shares may trade at market prices that may differ from their NAV. The NAV of the Shares will fluctuate with changes in the market value of the Fund’s holdings. The market prices of the Shares will fluctuate in accordance with changes in NAV as well as the supply and demand for the Shares on the Exchange.

**Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Shares**

Trading in the Shares on ISE is subject to ISE equity trading rules.

**Trading Hours**

The Shares will trade on ISE between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. ET.

Equity Electronic Access Members (“Equity EAMs”) trading the Shares during the Pre-Market Session are exposed to the risk of the lack of the calculation or dissemination of underlying index value or intraday indicative value (“IIV”). For certain derivative securities products, an updated underlying index value or IIV may not be calculated or publicly disseminated in the Pre-Market hours. Since the underlying index value and IIV are not calculated or widely disseminated during Pre-Market hours, an investor who is unable to calculate implied values for certain derivative securities products during Pre-Market hours may be at a disadvantage to market professionals.

**Trading Halts**

ISE will halt trading in the Shares in accordance with ISE Rule 2101(a)(2)(iii). The grounds for a halt under this Rule include a halt by the primary market because it stops trading the Shares and/or a halt because dissemination of the IIV or applicable currency spot price has ceased, or a halt for other regulatory reasons. In addition, ISE will stop trading the Shares if the primary market de-lists the Notes.
Delivery of a Prospectus

Consistent with the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules thereunder, investors purchasing Shares in the initial public offering and anyone purchasing Shares directly from a Fund (by delivery of the designated securities) must receive a Prospectus. In addition, Equity EAMs are required to deliver a Prospectus to all purchasers of newly-issued Shares (i.e. during the initial public offering). Equity EAMs purchasing shares from a Fund for resale to investors will deliver a Prospectus to such investors.

Prospectuses may be obtained through the Fund’s website. The Prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the Registration Statement (including the exhibits to the Registration Statement), parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission. For further information about a Fund, please refer to the Registration Statement.

In the event that a Fund relies upon an order by the Commission exempting the Shares from certain Prospectus delivery requirements under Section 24(d) of the 1940 Act and makes available a written product description, ISE Rule 2123(i) requires that Equity EAMs provide to all purchasers of Shares a written description of the terms and characteristics of such securities, in a form prepared by the Trust, no later than the time a confirmation of the first transaction in the Shares, is delivered to such purchaser. In addition, Equity EAMs 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 Equity EAM 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 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.”

An Equity EAM carrying an omnibus account for a non-Equity EAM is required to inform such non-Equity EAM that execution of an order to purchase Shares for such omnibus account will be deemed to constitute agreement by the non-Equity EAM to make such written description available to its customers on the same terms as are directly applicable to Equity EAMs under this rule.

Upon request of a customer, Equity EAMs shall also provide a copy of the Prospectus.

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

The Commission has issued letters dated November 21, 2005 and October 24, 2006 (together, the “No-Action Letters”) granting exemptive, interpretive and no-action relief from certain provisions of and rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for exchange-traded funds listed and traded on a registered national securities exchange that meet certain criteria. The Funds qualify for the relief granted in the No-Action Letters, a description of which follows.
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 Commission issued a No-Action Letter by which persons participating in a distribution of shares of a fund may engage in secondary market transactions in such shares during their participation in such a distribution, despite the requirements of Rule 101 under Regulation M. In addition, the SEC has permitted persons who may be deemed to be participating in the distribution of shares of a 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 Commission 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 Funds’ securities during the restricted period of Rule 101. The Commission has issued a No-Action Letter to paragraph (e) of Rule 102 under Regulation M which 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 Units 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 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

The Commission has permitted any person acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a component security of fund (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 has been issued under Rule 14e-5 states that 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, it must be made in conformance with the following:

(i) 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
(ii) 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
(iii) 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 Commission 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 a fund 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 a fund to persons outside the fund complex, other than non-cash compensation permitted under NASD Rule 2830 (I)(5)(A), (B) or (C). See letter dated November 22, 2005 from Brian A Bussey, Assistant Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Barclays Global Investors, N.A., dated November 22, 2005. The Commission has issued a No-Action Letter under Section 11(d)(1) of the Act states that broker-dealers may treat shares of a 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 Commission has issued a No-Action letter 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.
This Regulatory Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. ISE Equity EAMs should consult the Trust’s Registration Statement, SAI, Prospectus and the Fund’s website for relevant information.
Appendix A
Exchange-Traded Fund Symbol

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