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**Subject:** First Trust NASDAQ ABA Community Bank Index Fund ETF

**Background Information on the Fund**

As more fully explained in the Registration Statement (No. 811-21774), the Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the “1940 Act”) as an open-end management investment company that consists of separate exchange-traded funds. The Fund is an exchange-traded “index fund” (“ETF”).

The Fund’s investment objective is to provide investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond generally to the price and yield performance of the NASDAQ OMX(R) ABA (R) Community Bank Index (the “Underlying Index”).

First Trust Advisors L.P. serves as the investment advisor for the Fund. First Trust Portfolios L.P. is the distributor for the Fund. The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation is the administrator, custodian and transfer agent for the Fund.

As described more fully in the Fund’s prospectus (“Prospectus”) and Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”), the Fund will issue and redeem shares on a continuous basis at their net asset value (“NAV”) only in large blocks of 50,000 shares (each, a “Creation Unit”).

Only certain large institutional investors known as "Authorized Participants" may purchase or redeem Creation Units directly with the Fund at NAV. These transactions are usually in exchange for a basket of securities similar to the Fund's portfolio and an amount of cash. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, Shares of the Fund are not redeemable securities. Shareholders who are not Authorized Participants may not redeem shares directly from the Fund at NAV.

Dividends from net investment income, if any, are generally declared and paid semi-annually by the Fund. Distributions of net realized securities gains, if any, generally are declared and paid once a year, but the Trust may make distributions on a more frequent basis for the Fund.

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) will serve as securities depository for the Shares, which may be 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.
The NAV per Share of the Fund will be determined as of the close of trading (normally, 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (“ET”)) on each day that the Exchange is open for business (a “Business Day”). The NAV of the Fund is calculated by dividing the value of the net assets of the Fund (I.E., the value of its total assets less total liabilities) by the total number of outstanding shares of the Fund, generally rounded to the nearest cent. NAV will be 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 Fund. These risks include community bank risk, non-diversification risk, and the risk that the Fund’s return may not match the return of its index for a number of reasons including the incursion by the 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.

The Fund's prospectus describing other risks is available at www.ftportfolios.com.

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

The Shares are considered equity securities, thus rendering trading in the Shares subject to the Exchange's existing rules governing the trading of equity securities.

**Trading Hours**

Trading in the Shares on ISE is on a UTP basis and is subject to ISE equity trading rules. The Shares will trade from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Equity Electronic Access Members (“Equity EAMs”) trading the Shares during the Extended Market Sessions 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 Extended Market hours. Since the underlying index value and IIV are not calculated or widely disseminated during Extended Market hours, an investor who is unable to calculate implied values for certain derivative securities products during Extended 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 Shares.

**Delivery of a Prospectus**

Pursuant to federal securities laws, investors purchasing Shares must receive a prospectus prior to or concurrently with the confirmation of a transaction. Investors purchasing Shares directly from the Fund (by delivery of the Deposit Amount) must also receive a prospectus.

Prospectuses may be obtained through the Distributor or on 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 SEC. For further information about the Fund, please refer to the Trust’s registration statement.

**This Regulatory Information Circular is not a statutory Prospectus. 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 CUSIP Number

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