Subject: PIMCO Enhanced Short Maturity Strategy ETF

Background Information on the Fund

As more fully explained in the Registration Statement (No. 811-22250), the Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as an open-end management investment company. The Fund is a registered investment company and an exchange-traded “index fund” (“ETF”).

The Fund’s investment objective is to seek maximum current income consistent with preservation of capital and daily liquidity. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing under normal circumstances at least 65% of its total assets in a diversified portfolio of Fixed Income Instruments of varying maturities, which may be represented by forwards. The average portfolio duration of this Fund will vary based on PIMCO’s forecast for interest rates and will normally not exceed one year. The Fund primarily invests in U.S. dollar-denominated investment grade debt securities, rated Baa or higher by Moody’s, or equivalently rated by S&P or Fitch, or, if unrated, determined by PIMCO to be of comparable quality. The Fund may invest, without limitation, in U.S. dollar-denominated securities and instruments of foreign issuers. The Fund may invest, without limitation, in mortgage- or asset-backed securities, including to-be-announced transactions. The Fund may purchase and sell securities on a when-issued, delayed delivery or forward commitment basis. The Fund may, without limitation, seek to obtain market exposure to the securities in which it primarily invests by entering into a series of purchase and sale contracts or by using other investment techniques (such as buy backs or dollar rolls). The dollar-weighted average portfolio maturity of the Fund is normally not expected to exceed three years.

PIMCO serves as the investment manager and advisor for the Fund. Allianz Global Investors Distributors LLC is the distributor for the Fund. State Street Bank & Trust Co. is the 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 issues and redeems ETF shares at NAV only in large blocks of shares typically 70,000 shares or multiples thereof (“Creation Units”). These transactions are usually in exchange for a basket of securities or a designated amount of cash. As a practical matter, only institutions or large investors purchase or redeem Creation Units. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, shares of the Fund
are not redeemable securities. Creations and redemptions must be made by an Authorized Participant or through a firm that is either a member of the Continuous Net Settlement System of the National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") or a Depository Trust Company participant, and in each case, must have executed an agreement with the Distributor with respect to creations and redemptions of Creation Unit aggregations.

The Fund distributes substantially all of its net investment income to shareholders in the form of dividends. The Fund intends to declare and distribute income dividends monthly to shareholders of record. In addition, the Fund distributes any net capital gains it earns from the sale of portfolio securities to shareholders no less frequently than annually. Net short-term capital gains may be paid more frequently. Dividend payments are made through DTC participants and indirect participants to beneficial owners then of record with proceeds received from a 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"). 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.pimcoetfs.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 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.

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.

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


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.

Rules 101 and 102 of Regulation M

Based on representations made by the issuer in the letter requesting no-action relief, the
Division confirmed in the No-Action Letter that the Trust is excepted under paragraph (c)(4) of Rule 101 of Regulation M with respect to the New Series thus permitting persons who may be deemed to be participating in a distribution of Shares of each of the New Series to bid for or purchase such Shares during their participation in such distribution.

In addition the Division confirmed the interpretation of Rule 101 of Regulation M that a redemption of Creation Unit size aggregations of Shares of the New Shares and the receipt of Portfolio Securities in exchange therefore by a participant in a distribution of Shares of the New Shares would not constitute an “attempt to induce any person to bid for or purchase a covered security, during the applicable restricted period” within the meaning of Regulation M, therefore would not violate Regulation M.

Based on representations made by the issuer in the letter requesting no-action relief, the Division confirmed in the No-Action Letter that the Trust is excepted under paragraph (d)(4) of Rule 102 of Regulation M with respect to the New Series, thus permitting the New Series to redeem Shares of each of the New Series during the continuous offering of such shares.

**Rule 10b-17**

Rule 10b-17, with certain exceptions, requires an issuer of a class of publicly traded securities to give notice of certain specified actions (for example, a dividend distribution, stock split, or rights offering) relating to such class of securities in accordance with Rule 10b-17(b).

Based on representations made by the issuer in the letter requesting no-action relief, the Commission granted an exemption from the requirements of Rule 10b-17 to the Trust with respect to the transactions in the Shares.

**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

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