
From: William Slattery, Vice President, NASDAQ Listing Qualifications Department

Date: April 5, 2010

Re: PowerShares Exchange-Traded Fund Trust II Funds Anticipated to Begin Trading on NASDAQ on April 7, 2010

Exchange-Traded Funds	Symbol	CUSIP #
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Consumer Staples Portfolio	XLPS	73937B605
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Energy Portfolio	XLES	73937B704
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Financials Portfolio	XLFS	73937B803
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Health Care Portfolio	XLVS	73937B886
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Industrials Portfolio	XLIS	73937B878
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Information Technology Portfolio	XLKS	73937B860
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Materials Portfolio	XLBS	73937B852
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Utilities Portfolio	XLUS	73937B837
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Consumer Discretionary Portfolio	XLYS	73937B506

Background Information on each Fund

The PowerShares Exchange-Traded Fund Trust II (the "Trust") is a management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Trust consists of more than 40 exchange-traded Funds (each, a "Fund" and collectively, the "Funds"). This circular refers only to the Funds listed above. The shares of the each Fund are referred to herein as "Shares." Invesco PowerShares Capital Management LLC (the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser for each Fund.

XLPS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Consumer Staples Index (the "XLPS Index"). XLPS's investment objective and the XLPS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLPS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. consumer staples companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLES seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Energy Index (the "XLES Index"). XLES's investment objective and the XLES Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLES Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. energy companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLFS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Financials Index

(the "XLFS Index"). XLFS's investment objective and the XLFS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLFS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. financial services companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLVS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Health Care Index (the "XLVS Index"). XLVS's investment objective and the XLVS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLVS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. healthcare companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLIS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Industrials Index (the "XLIS Index"). XLIS's investment objective and the XLIS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLIS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. industrial companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLKS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Information Technology Index (the "XLKS Index"). XLKS's investment objective and the XLKS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLKS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. information technology companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLBS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Materials Index (the "XLBS Index"). XLBS's investment objective and the XLBS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLBS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. basic materials companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLUS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Utilities Index (the "XLUS Index"). XLUS's investment objective and the XLUS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLUS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. utility companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

XLYS seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P SmallCap 600 Consumer Discretionary Index (the "XLYS Index"). XLYS's investment objective and the XLYS Index may be changed without shareholder approval. The XLYS Index is a float adjusted market capitalization index designed to measure the performance of common stocks of U.S. consumer discretionary companies included in the S&P SmallCap 600 Index.

For more information regarding each Fund's investment strategy, please read the prospectus for Funds.

As described more fully in the Trust's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), each Fund issues and redeems Shares at net asset value ("NAV") only in large blocks of shares, respectively, (each block of Shares called a

"Creation Unit") or multiples thereof. Each Creation Unit consists of 50,000 shares. As a practical matter, only broker-dealers or large institutional investors with creation and redemption agreements (called Authorized Participants) can purchase or redeem these Creation Units. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, the Shares may not be redeemed with each Fund.

Dividends from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid at least quarterly by each 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 each Fund.

Shares are held in book-entry form, which means that no Share certificates are issued. The Depository Trust Company or its nominee is the record owner of all outstanding Shares of each Fund and is recognized as the owner of all Shares for all purposes.

The NAV of each Fund is generally determined at the close of regular trading (normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) every day the NYSE is open. NAV is calculated by deducting all of a Fund's liabilities from the total value of its assets and dividing the result by the number of Shares outstanding, rounding to the nearest cent.

The registration statement for the Funds describes the various fees and expenses for each Fund's Shares. For a more complete description of each Fund and the underlying indexes, visit the Funds' website at www.invescopowershares.com.

Purchases and Redemptions in Creation Unit Size

NASDAQ members are hereby informed that procedures for purchases and redemptions of Shares in Creation Unit Size are described in the Trust's prospectus and SAI, and that Shares are not individually redeemable but are redeemable only in Creation Unit Size aggregations or multiples thereof.

Continuous Offering

The method by which Creation Unit Aggregations of shares are created and traded may raise certain issues under applicable securities laws. Because new Creation Unit Aggregations of shares are issued and sold by the each Fund on an ongoing basis, at any point a "distribution," as such term is used in the Securities Act, may occur. Broker-dealers and other persons are cautioned that some activities on their part may, depending on the circumstances, result in their being deemed participants in a distribution in a manner which could render them statutory underwriters and subject them to the prospectus delivery requirement and liability provisions of the Securities Act.

For example, a broker-dealer firm or its client may be deemed a statutory underwriter if it takes Creation Unit Aggregations after placing an order with the Distributor, breaks them down into constituent shares, and sells such shares directly to customers, or if it chooses to couple the creation of a supply of new shares with an active selling effort involving solicitation of secondary market demand for shares. A determination of whether one is an underwriter for purposes of the Securities Act must take into account all the facts and circumstances pertaining to the activities of the broker-dealer or its client in the particular case, and the examples mentioned

above should not be considered a complete description of all the activities that could lead to a categorization as an underwriter.

Broker-dealer firms should also note that dealers who are not “underwriters” but are effecting transactions in shares, whether or not participating in the distribution of shares, generally are required to deliver a prospectus. This is because the prospectus delivery exemption in Section 4(3) of the Securities Act is not available in respect of such transactions as a result of Section 24(d) of the 1940 Act. Firms that incur a prospectus delivery obligation with respect to shares of each Fund are reminded that, pursuant to Rule 153 under the Securities Act, a prospectus delivery obligation under Section 5(b)(2) of the Securities Act owed to an exchange member in connection with a sale on the Listing Exchange is satisfied by the fact that the prospectus is available at the Listing Exchange upon request. The prospectus delivery mechanism provided in Rule 153 is only available with respect to transactions on an exchange.

Principal Risks

Interested persons are referred to the discussion in the prospectus for each Fund of the principal risks of an investment in each Fund. These include: market trading risk, non-correlation risk, replication management risk, small capitalization company risk, consumer discretionary sector risk, non-diversified fund risk, consumer staples sector risk, energy sector risk, financial services sector risk, healthcare sector risk, industrials sector risk, information technology sector risk, basic materials sector risk and utilities sector risk.

Trading Halts

When evaluating the necessity of imposing a trading halt in an ETF, NASDAQ may consider, among other factors:

- The extent to which trading has ceased in the underlying security(s);
- Whether trading has been halted or suspended in the primary market(s) for any combination of underlying securities accounting for 20% or more of the applicable current index group value. The value being established to be the value at the close of the prior trading day;
- The presence of other unusual conditions or circumstances deemed to be detrimental to the maintenance of a fair and orderly market.

The trading of an ETF, that has been the subject of a trading halt or suspension, may resume when NASDAQ determines that the conditions which led to the halt or suspension are no longer present or that the interests of a fair and orderly market are served by a resumption of trading.

Dissemination of Fund Data

Beginning Wednesday, April 7, NASDAQ anticipates that it will begin disseminating the Intraday Portfolio Value (IPV) for each Fund through the NASDAQ Index Dissemination ServiceSM (NIDSSM) under the following symbols:

Fund Name	Symbol
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Consumer Staples Portfolio	XLPS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Energy Portfolio	XLFS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Financials Portfolio	XLFS.IV

PowerShares S&P SmallCap Health Care Portfolio	XLVS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Industrials Portfolio	XLIS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Information Technology Portfolio	XLKS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Materials Portfolio	XLBS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Utilities Portfolio	XLUS.IV
PowerShares S&P SmallCap Consumer Discretionary Portfolio	XLYS.IV

Expressed as a dollar amount per share, the IPV will be disseminated every 15 seconds from 9:15:00 a.m. to 5:16:00 p.m., ET.

NASDAQ anticipates that it will also begin disseminating daily valuation information for the Funds on April 7, 2010. These daily valuations will be posted on the NASDAQ Trader[®] website as well as disseminated through NIDS. Please refer to the [Index and ETF Symbol List](#) for the full list of each Fund's valuation symbols.

Suitability

Trading in the Shares on NASDAQ will be subject to the provisions of [NASDAQ Rule 2310](#). Members recommending transactions in the Shares to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer. In addition, members must possess sufficient information to satisfy the "know your customer" obligation that is embedded in the NASDAQ Conduct Rules.

Members also should review [NASD Notice to Members 03-71](#) for guidance on trading these products. The Notice reminds members of their obligations to: (1) conduct adequate due diligence to understand the features of the product; (2) perform a reasonable-basis suitability analysis; (3) perform customer-specific suitability analysis in connection with any recommended transactions; (4) provide a balanced disclosure of both the risks and rewards associated with the particular product, especially when selling to retail investors; (5) implement appropriate internal controls; and (6) train registered persons regarding the features, risk and suitability of these products.

Delivery of a Prospectus

NASDAQ members should be mindful of applicable prospectus delivery requirements under the federal securities laws with respect to transactions in the Funds.

Prospectuses may be obtained through the [Funds' website](#). The prospectus for each Fund does not contain all of the information set forth in each Fund's registration statement (including the exhibits to the registration statement), parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). For further information about the Funds, please refer to the registration statement.

In the event that each Fund relies upon an order by the SEC exempting the Shares from certain prospectus delivery requirements under Section 24(d) of the 1940 Act and in the future make available a written product description, [NASDAQ Rule 5705 \(b\)\(2\)](#) requires that NASDAQ members provide to all purchasers of Shares a written description of the terms and characteristics of such securities, in a form prepared by the Trust for the Funds, no later than the time a confirmation of the first transaction in the Shares is delivered to such purchaser. In addition, NASDAQ members 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 NASDAQ member 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 the Shares of each 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 each Fund. In addition, upon request you may obtain from your broker a prospectus for Shares of each Fund."

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

Upon request of a customer, NASDAQ members also shall provide a copy of the prospectus.

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

The SEC has issued exemptive, interpretive or no-action relief from certain provisions of rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act") regarding trading in the above mentioned exchange-traded funds.

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 SEC has granted an exemption from Rule 101 under Regulation M to permit persons participating in a distribution of shares of the above-mentioned Funds to engage in secondary market transactions in such shares during their participation in such a distribution. In addition, the SEC has granted relief under Regulation M to permit persons who may be deemed to be participating in the distribution of Shares of the above-mentioned Funds (i) to purchase securities for the purpose of purchasing Creation Unit Aggregations of each Fund's Shares and (ii) to tender securities for redemption in Creation Unit Aggregations. Further, the SEC has clarified that the tender of each Fund's 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 SEC has also granted an exemption pursuant to paragraph (e) of Rule 102 under Regulation M to allow the redemption of each Fund's 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 Unit size 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 a Fund for purposes of purchasing Creation Unit Aggregations ("Deposit Securities") or the identity, number and price of shares to be delivered by the Trust for the Fund 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

An exemption from Rule 14e-5 has been granted to permit any person acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a component security of a 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 position has been taken under Rule 14e-5 if a broker-dealer acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a security of a Fund's 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, if made in conformance with the following:

- 1) 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
- 2) 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
- 3) 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 SEC 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(l)(5)(A), (B) or (C). (See [letter](#) from Catherine McGuire, Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Securities Industry Association, Derivative Products Committee, dated November 21, 2005.) The SEC also has taken a no-action position under Section 11(d)(1) of the Act 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 SEC has taken a no-action position 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. (See [letter](#) from Catherine McGuire, Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Securities Industry Association, Derivative Products Committee, dated November 21, 2005.)

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. NASDAQ members should consult the Funds' prospectus and/or the [Funds' website](#) for relevant information.

Inquiries regarding this Information Circular should be directed to:

- [Will Slattery](#), NASDAQ Listing Qualifications, at 301.978.8088
- [NASDAQ Market Sales](#) at 800.846.0477

The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. is the world's largest exchange company. It delivers trading, exchange technology and public company services across six continents, and with over 3,900 companies, it is number one in worldwide listings among major markets. NASDAQ OMX offers multiple capital raising solutions to companies around the globe, including its U.S. listings market; the OMX Nordic Exchange, including First North; and the 144A PORTAL Market. The company offers trading across multiple asset classes including equities, derivatives, debt, commodities, structured products and ETFs. NASDAQ OMX technology supports the operations of over 60 exchanges, clearing organizations and central securities depositories in more than 50 countries. OMX Nordic Exchange is not a legal entity but describes the common offering from NASDAQ OMX exchanges in Helsinki, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Iceland, Tallinn, Riga, and Vilnius. For more information about NASDAQ OMX, visit www.nasdaqomx.com.