



Investors Exchange Product Information Circular 2016 - 0940

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Re: Rydex ETF Trust

This Information Circular is being issued to advise you that the following securities have been approved for trading pursuant to unlisted trading privileges (“UTP”) on the Investors Exchange (“IEX” or the “Exchange”) as UTP Derivative Securities pursuant to IEX Rule 16.160. Compliance and supervisory personnel should note that, among other things, this Information Circular discusses the need to deliver a prospectus to customers purchasing shares of the exchange-traded funds. Please forward this Information Circular to interested persons within your organization.

<u>Securities (the “Fund”)</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
Rydex MSCI EAFE Equal Weight ETF	EWEF
Rydex MSCI Emerging Markets Equal Weight ETF	EWEM
Rydex Russell 1000 Equal Weight ETF	EWRI
Rydex Russell MidCap Equal Weight ETF	EWRM
Rydex Russell 2000 Equal Weight ETF	EWRS

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Issuer/Trust: Rydex ETF Trust

Issuer Website: www.rydex-sgi.com

Primary Listing Exchange: NYSE Arca

Registration Statement: No. 333-101625

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Background Information on the Fund

The Rydex ETF Trust (the “Trust”) is a management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”). The Trust consists of several exchange-traded funds (each, a “Fund” and collectively, the “Funds”). This circular refers only to the Funds listed above. The shares of each of the Funds listed above are referred to herein as “Shares.” Rydex Advisors II, LLC (the “Advisor”) serves as the investment advisor for the Funds.

The investment objective of the Rydex Russell MidCap Equal Weight ETF is to correspond as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, to the price and yield performance of the Russell MidCap Equal Weight Index (the “MidCap Index”).

The Fund uses a passive management strategy, known as “replication,” to track the performance of the MidCap Index. “Replication” refers to investing in substantially all of the securities in the MidCap Index in approximately the same proportions as in the MidCap Index. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in the equity securities included in the MidCap Index. The Advisor expects that, over time, if the Fund has sufficient assets, the correlation between the Fund’s performance, before fees and expenses, and that of the MidCap Index will be 95% or better. A figure of 100% would indicate perfect correlation.

The Russell MidCap Equal Weight Index is an unmanaged equal-weighted version of the Russell MidCap Index, which measures the performance of the mid-cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. The Russell MidCap Index is a subset of the Russell 1000 Index and includes approximately 800 of the smallest securities within the Russell 1000 Index based on a combination of market capitalization and current index membership. The Russell MidCap Index generally represents medium-capitalization companies with capitalizations ranging from \$968 million to \$13.7 billion as of June 30, 2010. The Fund has adopted an investment policy to not invest 25% or more of the value of its assets in the securities of one or more issuers conducting their principal business activities in the same industry; except that, to the extent the Underlying Index is concentrated in a particular industry, the Fund will necessarily be concentrated in that industry. The Fund is non-diversified and, therefore, may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer in comparison to a diversified fund.

The investment objective of the Rydex Russell 1000 Equal Weight ETF is to correspond as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, to the price and yield performance of the Russell 1000 Equal Weight Index (the “Russell 1000 Index”).

The Fund uses a passive management strategy, known as “replication,” to track the performance of the Russell 1000 Index. “Replication” refers to investing in substantially all of the securities in the Russell 1000 Index in approximately the same proportions as in the Russell 1000 Index. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in the equity securities included in the Russell 1000 Index. The Advisor expects that, over time, if the Fund has sufficient assets, the correlation between the Fund’s performance, before fees and expenses, and that of the Russell 1000 Index will be 95% or better. A figure of 100% would indicate perfect correlation.

The Russell 1000 Equal Weight Index is an unmanaged equal-weighted version of the Russell 1000 Index, which measures the performance of the large-cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. The Russell 1000 Index is a subset of the Russell 3000 Index and includes approximately 1,000 of the largest securities within the Russell 3000 Index based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Russell 1000 Index represents approximately 90% of the U.S. market with capitalizations ranging from \$968.3 million to \$290.8 billion as of June 30, 2010. The Fund has adopted an investment policy to



not invest 25% or more of the value of its assets in the securities of one or more issuers conducting their principal business activities in the same industry; except that, to the extent the Underlying Index is concentrated in a particular industry, the Fund will necessarily be concentrated in that industry. The Fund is non-diversified and, therefore, may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer in comparison to a diversified fund.

The investment objective of the Rydex Russell 2000 Equal Weight ETF (the “Fund”) is to correspond as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, to the price and yield performance of the Russell 2000 Equal Weight Index (the “Russell 2000 Index”).

The Fund uses a passive management strategy, known as “replication,” to track the performance of the Russell 2000 Index. “Replication” refers to investing in substantially all of the securities in the Russell 2000 Index in approximately the same proportions as in the Russell 2000 Index. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in the equity securities included in the Underlying Index. The Advisor expects that, over time, if the Fund has sufficient assets, the correlation between the Fund’s performance, before fees and expenses, and that of the Russell 2000 Index will be 95% or better. A figure of 100% would indicate perfect correlation.

The Russell 2000 Equal Weight Index is an unmanaged equal-weighted version of the Russell 2000 Index. The Russell 2000 Index is composed of the 2,000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000 Index, representing approximately 10% of the Russell 3000 total market capitalization and consisting of capitalizations ranging from \$39.3 million to \$2.54 billion as of June 30, 2010. The Russell 3000 Index is composed of the 3,000 largest U.S. companies ranked by total market capitalization, representing approximately 98% of the U.S. investable equity market. The Fund has adopted an investment policy to not invest 25% or more of the value of its assets in the securities of one or more issuers conducting their principal business activities in the same industry; except that, to the extent the Underlying Index is concentrated in a particular industry, the Fund will necessarily be concentrated in that industry. The Fund is non-diversified and, therefore, may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer in comparison to a diversified fund.

The investment objective of the Rydex MSCI EAFE Equal Weight ETF is to correspond, before fees and expenses, to the price and yield performance of the MSCI EAFE Equal Weighted Index (the “EAFE Index”).

The Fund uses a passive management strategy, known as “representative sampling,” to track the performance of the EAFE Index. “Representative sampling” refers to an indexing strategy that generally involves investing in a representative sample of securities or financial instruments, primarily consisting of American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts, that has an investment profile similar to the EAFE Index and some, but not all, of the component securities of the EAFE Index. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in the equity securities included in the EAFE Index. The Fund may hold up to 20% of its assets in securities not included in or representative of the EAFE Index. The Advisor expects that, over time, if the Fund has sufficient assets, the correlation between the Fund’s performance, before fees and expenses, and that of the EAFE Index will be 95% or better. A figure of 100% would indicate perfect correlation.

The MSCI EAFE Equal Weighted Index is an unmanaged equal-weighted version of the MSCI EAFE Index. The MSCI EAFE Index (Europe, Australasia, Far East) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. As of May 27, 2010, the MSCI EAFE Index consisted of separate sub-indices representing the following 22 developed market countries: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal,



Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom, with capitalizations ranging from \$255.8 million to \$202.1 billion as of June 30, 2010. Both Indices are denominated in U.S. Dollars. The Fund has adopted an investment policy to not invest 25% or more of the value of its assets in the securities of one or more issuers conducting their principal business activities in the same industry; except that, to the extent the EAFE Index is concentrated in a particular industry, the Fund will necessarily be concentrated in that industry. The Fund is non-diversified and, therefore, may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer in comparison to a diversified fund.

The investment objective of the Rydex MSCI Emerging Markets Equal Weight ETF is to correspond, before fees and expenses, to the price and yield performance of the MSCI Emerging Markets Equal Weighted Index (the "EM Index").

The Fund uses a passive management strategy, known as "representative sampling," to track the performance of the EM Index. "Representative sampling" refers to an indexing strategy that generally involves investing in a representative sample of securities, including shares of other investment companies, or financial instruments, primarily consisting of American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts, that has an investment profile similar to the EM Index and some, but not all, of the component securities of its EM Index. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in the equity securities included in the EM Index. The Fund may hold up to 20% of its assets in securities not included in or representative of the EM Index. The Advisor expects that, over time, if the Fund has sufficient assets, the correlation between the Fund's performance, before fees and expenses, and that of the EM Index will be 95% or better. A figure of 100% would indicate perfect correlation.

The MSCI Emerging Markets Equal Weighted Index is an unmanaged equal-weighted version of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance of certain markets deemed to be emerging markets. As of May 27, 2010, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index consisted of the following 21 emerging market country indices: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Russia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, and Turkey with capitalizations ranging from \$2.94 billion to \$22.56 billion as of June 30, 2010. Both Indices are denominated in U.S. Dollars. The Fund has adopted an investment policy to not invest 25% or more of the value of its assets in the securities of one or more issuers conducting their principal business activities in the same industry; except that, to the extent the EM Index is concentrated in a particular industry, the Fund will necessarily be concentrated in that industry. The Fund is non-diversified and, therefore, may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a particular issuer in comparison to a diversified fund.

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

As described more fully in the Trust's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"), the Funds issue and redeem Shares at net asset value ("NAV") only in large blocks of 50,000 Shares for domestic Funds and 100,000 for international Funds (each block of Shares called a "Creation Unit") or multiples thereof. 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 the Funds.

The Funds pay out dividends to shareholders at least annually. Each Fund distributes its net capital gains, if any, to shareholders annually.



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 the Funds and is recognized as the owner of all Shares for all purposes.

The NAV per Share for each Fund is computed 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 Shares outstanding. Expenses and fees are accrued daily and taken into account for purposes of determining NAV. The NAV of each Fund is determined each business day after the close of trading (ordinarily 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time or “ET”) of the New York Stock Exchange. Any assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are converted into U.S. dollars at the current market rates on the date of valuation as quoted by one or more sources.

The registration statement for the Funds describes the various fees and expenses for the Funds’ Shares. For a more complete description of the Funds and the underlying indexes, visit the Issuer Website.

Principal Risks

Interested persons are referred to the discussion in the prospectus for the Funds of the principal risks of an investment in the Funds. These include tracking error risk (factors causing a Fund’s performance to not match the performance of its underlying index), market trading risk (for example, trading halts, trading above or below net asset value), investment style risk, sector risk, investment approach risk, non-diversification risk, issuer-specific risk, management risk, small-cap risk and foreign securities risk.

Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Shares

Trading in the Shares on IEX is subject to IEX trading rules.

Trading Hours

The value of the Index underlying the Shares will be disseminated to data vendors every 15 seconds during the Regular Trading Session.

The Shares will trade on IEX between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please note that trading in the Shares during the Exchange’s Pre-Market and Post-Market Sessions (“Extended Market Sessions”) may result in additional trading risks which include: (1) that the current underlying indicative value may not be updated during the Extended Market Sessions, (2) lower liquidity in the Extended Market Sessions may impact pricing, (3) higher volatility in the Extended Market Sessions may impact pricing, (4) wider spreads may occur in the Extended Markets Sessions, and (5) because the indicative value is not calculated or widely disseminated during the Extended Market Sessions, an investor who is unable to calculate an implied value for the Shares in those sessions may be at a disadvantage to market professionals.

Dissemination of Data

The Consolidated Tape Association will disseminate real time trade and quote information for the Shares to Tape B.



Name	Listing Market	Trading Symbol	IOPV Symbol	NAV Symbol
Rydex MSCI EAFE Equal Weight ETF	NYSE Arca	EWEF	EWEF.IV	EWEF.NV
Rydex MSCI Emerging Markets Equal Weight ETF	NYSE Arca	EWEM	EWEM. IV	EWEM.NV
Rydex Russell 1000 Equal Weight ETF	NYSE Arca	EWRI	EWRI.IV	EWRI.NV
Rydex Russell MidCap Equal Weight ETF	NYSE Arca	EWRM	EWRM.IV	EWRM.NV
Rydex Russell 2000 Equal Weight ETF	NYSE Arca	EWRS	EWRS.IV	EWRS.NV

Delivery of a Prospectus

IEX Members should be mindful of applicable prospectus delivery requirements under the federal securities laws with respect to transactions in the Fund. Prospectuses may be obtained through the Funds' website. The prospectus for the Fund does not contain all of the information set forth in the Funds' 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 its Registration Statement.

In the event that the 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, Exchange Rules require that Exchange Members provide to all purchasers of Shares a written description of the terms and characteristics of such securities, in a form prepared by the Issuer of the Fund, no later than the time a confirmation of the first transaction in the Shares is delivered to such purchaser. In addition, Exchange 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 an IEX 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 UTP Derivative Securities] has been prepared by the [open-ended management investment company name] and is available from your broker. It is recommended that you obtain and review such circular before purchasing [the UTP Derivative Securities]."

An IEX 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 IEX member under this rule.

Upon request of a customer, IEX Members also shall provide a copy of the Prospectus.

Suitability

Trading in the securities on the Exchange will be subject to the provisions of IEX Rule 3.170 and other applicable suitability rules. Members recommending transactions in the securities to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer.

Trading Halts

The Exchange will halt trading in the Shares of a security in accordance with the Exchange's Rules. The grounds for a halt include a halt because the intraday indicative value of the security and/or the value of its underlying index are not being disseminated as required, a halt for other regulatory reasons or due to other conditions or circumstances deemed to be detrimental to the maintenance of a free and orderly market.

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

The Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") has issued letters granting exemptive, interpretive and no-action relief from certain provisions of rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for exchange-traded securities listed and traded on a registered national securities exchange that meet certain criteria.

AS WHAT FOLLOWS IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE RELIEF OUTLINED IN THE NO-ACTION LETTERS REFERENCED ABOVE, THE EXCHANGE ADVISES INTERESTED PARTIES TO CONSULT THE NO-ACTION LETTERS FOR MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION REGARDING THE MATTERS COVERED THEREIN AND THE APPLICABILITY OF THE RELIEF GRANTED IN RESPECT OF TRADING IN SECURITIES. INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD ALSO CONSULT THEIR PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS.

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 Fund 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 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 SEC 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 Fund's 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 Fund Shares in Creation Unit Aggregations during the continuous offering of Shares.

Rule 10b-10 (Customer Confirmations for Creation or Redemption of Fund Shares)

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 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 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 redemption 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); and
- 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).

Rule 10b-17 (Untimely Announcement of Record Dates)

The SEC has granted an exemption from the requirements of Rule 10b-17 that will cover transactions in the Shares.

Section 11(d)(1); Rule 11d1-2 (Customer Margin)

The SEC has taken a no-action position under Section 11(d)(1) that will permit broker-dealers that do not create Shares but engage in both proprietary and customer transactions in such Shares exclusively in the secondary market to extend or maintain or arrange for the extension or maintenance of credit on the Shares, in connection with such secondary market transactions. For broker-dealers that engage in the creation of Shares, the SEC has also taken a no-action position under Rule 11d1-2 that will cover the extension or maintenance or the arrangement for the extension or maintenance of credit on the Shares that have been owned by the persons to whom credit is provided for more than 30 days.

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 the 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 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, 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 purchase; 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.

SEC Rule 15c1-5 and 15c1-6 (Disclosure of Control and interest in Distributions)

The SEC has taken a no-action position under Rule 15c1-5 that will permit a broker-dealer to execute transactions in Shares without disclosing any control relationship with an issuer of a component security. In addition, the SEC has taken a no-action position under Rule 15c1-6 that will permit a broker dealer to execute transactions in the Shares without disclosing its participation or interest in a primary or secondary distribution of a component security.

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. IEX Members should consult the prospectus for a security and the security's website for relevant information.

Please contact IEX Regulation at 646-343-2000 with any inquiries regarding this Information Circular.