



# Investors Exchange Product Information Circular 2019 - 0031

**Date:** March 6, 2020

**Re:** iPath Series B US Treasury 10-year Bear ETN

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. The purpose of this information circular is to outline various rules and policies that will be applicable to trading in these new products pursuant to the Exchange’s unlisted trading privileges, as well as to provide certain characteristics and features of the Notes.

| <b><u>Securities (the “ETNs” or “Notes”)</u></b> | <b><u>Symbol</u></b> |
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| iPath Series B US Treasury 10-year Bear ETN      | BTYS                 |

Issuer/Trust: Barclays Bank PLC

Issuer/Trust Website: <http://etn.barclays.com/US/7/en/home.app>

Primary Listing Exchange: Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.

## **Background Information on the Notes**

As more fully explained in the Prospectus Supplement, return is linked to the performance of the relevant Index. The iPath® Series B US Treasury 10-year Bear Exchange Traded Notes (the “ETNs”) are inversely linked to the performance of the Barclays 10Y US Treasury Futures Targeted Exposure Index™ (the “Index”). The Index employs a strategy that seeks to capture returns that are potentially available from an increase or decrease, as applicable, in the yields available to investors purchasing 10-year U.S. Treasury notes through a notional rolling investment in 10-year U.S. Treasury note futures contracts (“10-year Treasury futures contracts”). Specifically, the level of the Index is expected to increase in response to a decrease in 10-year U.S.

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The Notes are subject to early redemption or acceleration in whole or in part at any time. Accordingly, an investor should not expect to be able to hold the Notes to maturity. Additionally, the Notes do not guarantee any return of principal at, or prior to, maturity or call, or upon early redemption. Instead, at maturity, investors will receive a cash payment, the amount of which will



vary depending on the performance of the Index, reduced by any applicable fees, and may be zero.

The Notes may be redeemed early, at the investor's option, subject to a minimum redemption amount of 5,000 Notes. Upon such early redemption, the investor will receive a cash payment that is based on the performance of the Index, less any applicable fees.

The closing indicative value of each series of Notes on each business day after the inception date will be based on the closing level of the Index on that business day.

The Intraday Indicative Value for the Notes will be disseminated by market data vendors under the symbol BTYS.IV.

Additional information regarding the Notes, including information about redemption procedures, fees, and dividends can be found in the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement.

### **Investment Risks**

As described in the Notes' Prospectus Supplement, investing in the Notes involves a number of risks not associated with an investment in conventional debt securities. An investment in the Notes involves significant risks and is not appropriate for every investor. Investing in the Notes is not equivalent to investing directly in the Index. Accordingly, the Notes should be purchased only by knowledgeable investors who understand the terms of the investment in the Notes and are familiar with the behavior of the Index and financial markets generally.

Interested persons are referred to the Prospectus for a full description of risks associated with an investment in the Notes. These risks include, but are not limited to, loss of all or a substantial portion of an investment in the Notes; no guaranteed minimum payment at maturity or call, or upon acceleration or early redemption, nor do they pay interest or any coupon amount; the Notes may be accelerated and redeemed, resulting in a loss of all or a substantial portion of an investment; there is a restriction on the minimum number of Notes that may be redeemed and on the procedures and timing for early redemption; the redemption amount may not be known at the time a request to redeem is elected; and the market value of the Notes may be influenced by many unpredictable factors. For a more complete description of the securities and the payment at maturity, valuation, fees and risk factors, consult the Notes' Prospectus Supplement.

### **Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Notes**

Trading in the ETNs on IEX is subject to IEX's equity trading rules.

### **Trading Hours**

The ETNs will trade on IEX between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please note that trading in the ETNs 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 Notes in those sessions may be at a disadvantage to market professionals.

### **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 ETNs 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.

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. 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.