



Information Circular 09-118

Date: May 13, 2009

Re: Grail Advisors ETF Trust

Pursuant to Rule 14.1(c)(2) of the Rules of BATS Exchange, Inc. ("BATS" or the "Exchange"), this Information Circular is being issued to advise you that the following security has been approved for trading on the Exchange as a UTP Derivative Security pursuant to Chapter XIV of the Exchange's Rules.

Security ("Fund")

Symbol

Grail American Beacon Large Cap Value ETF

GVT

Commencement of Trading: May 14, 2009

Issuer/Trust: Grail Advisors ETF Trust

Issuer Website: www.grailadvisors.com

Primary Listing Exchange: NYSE Arca

Primary Exchange Circular: RB-09-57 (May 1, 2009)

Registration Statement: Nos. 811-22154 and 333-148082

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 Shares. For a more complete description of the Issuer, the Shares and the underlying market instruments or indexes, visit the Issuer Website, consult the Prospectus available on the Issuer Website, examine the Issuer Registration Statement or review the most current information bulletin issued by the Primary Listing Exchange. The Issuer Website, the Prospectus, the Issuer Registration Statement and the Primary Exchange Circular are hereafter collectively referred to as the "Issuer Disclosure Materials."

Background Information on the Fund

The Trust is a management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), consisting of several investment portfolios. This circular relates only to the Fund. The shares of the Fund are referred to herein as "Shares." Grail Advisors, LLC (the "Adviser") is the investment adviser to the Fund.

The Fund is an actively managed ETF. The Fund is not an index fund and thus does not seek to replicate the performance of a specified index. The Fund is designed for investors who seek exposure to a relatively low-cost actively managed portfolio of equity securities. The Fund may be suitable for long-term investment and may also be used as an asset allocation tool or as a trading instrument.

Ordinarily, at least 80% of the Fund's net assets (plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) are invested in equity securities of large market capitalization U.S. companies. These companies generally have market capitalizations similar to the market capitalizations of the companies in the Russell 1000 Index at the time of investment. The Russell 1000 Index measures the performance of the 1,000 largest U.S. companies based on total market capitalization. As of December 31, 2008, the market capitalizations of the companies in the Russell 1000 Index ranged from \$240 million to \$421.8

billion. The Fund's investments may include common stocks, preferred stocks, securities convertible into U.S. common stocks, U.S. dollar-denominated American Depositary Receipts, and U.S. dollar-denominated foreign stocks traded on U.S. exchanges (collectively referred to as "stocks").

The Fund's assets are currently allocated among three investment sub-advisers:

- Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC;
- Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC; and
- Metropolitan West Capital Management, LLC.

The Fund's investment sub-advisers select stocks that, in their opinion, have most or all of the following characteristics (relative to the Russell 1000 Index):

- Above-average earnings growth potential;
- Below-average price to earnings ratio;
- Below-average price to book value ratio; and
- Above-average dividend yields.

Each of the Fund's investment sub-advisers determines the earnings growth prospects of companies based upon a combination of internal and external research using fundamental analysis and considering changing economic trends. The decision to sell a stock is typically based on the belief that the company is no longer considered undervalued or shows deteriorating fundamentals, or that better investment opportunities exist in other stocks. The Manager believes that this strategy will help the Fund outperform other investment styles over the longer term while minimizing volatility and downside risk.

If, for any reason, one of the investment sub-advisers listed above no longer serves as investment sub-adviser to the Fund, the Manager will seek to employ alternative arrangements so that the Fund's assets will continue to be allocated and managed in at least three separate portions. These arrangements may, but need not, include: engaging a new investment sub-adviser and seeking any required shareholder approvals, as necessary, actively managing a portion of the Fund's assets directly, or investing a portion of the Fund's assets in a pooled investment vehicle in accordance with the Fund's investment objective and strategies, and applicable law.

The Fund may lend its securities to broker-dealers and other institutions to earn additional income.

Under adverse market conditions, the Fund may, for temporary defensive purposes, invest up to 100% of its assets in cash or cash equivalents, including investment grade short-term obligations. Investment grade obligations include securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities, as well as securities rated in one of the four highest rating categories by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations rating that security (such as Standard & Poor's Ratings Services or Moody's Investors Service, Inc.) or rated in one of the four highest rating categories by one rating organization if it is the only organization rating that security. To the extent that the Fund invokes this strategy, its ability to achieve its investment objective may be affected adversely.

As noted above, the Fund has a policy of investing at least 80% of its assets in securities that are consistent with the Fund's name.

Please see the Fund's prospectus for additional information concerning the Fund and its investment objectives.

As described more fully in the Trust's prospectus and Statement of Additional Information, 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"). Creation Units will be issued and redeemed principally in-kind for securities included in the underlying index. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, the Shares may not be redeemed with the Fund.

The Fund pays out dividends from its net investment income to shareholders annually. The Fund distributes its net capital gains, if any, 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 the 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 Fund describes the various fees and expenses for the Fund's Shares. For a more complete description of the Fund and the underlying Index, visit the Issuer Website.

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 a Fund's return may not match the return of its index for a number of reasons including the incursion by a 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 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 on the Exchange.

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, the Fund is exempted from Rule 101 pursuant to paragraph (c)(4) of Rule 101, permitting persons who may be deemed to be participating in a distribution of the Shares to bid for or purchase Shares during their participation in such distribution. The Fund is exempted under Rule 102(d)(4), permitting a Fund to redeem Shares during the continuous offering of Shares.

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.

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.

Exchange Rules Applicable to Trading in the Shares

Trading in the Shares on BATS is subject to BATS equity trading rules.

Trading Hours

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

The Shares will trade on BATS between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. ET. Please note that trading in the Shares during the Exchange's pre-opening session may result in additional trading risks which include: (1) that the current underlying indicative value may not be updated during the pre-opening session, (2) the indicative value may not be updated during the pre-opening session, (3) lower liquidity in the pre-opening session may impact pricing, (4) higher volatility in the pre-opening session may impact pricing, (5) wider spreads may occur in the pre-opening session, and (6) because the indicative value is not calculated or widely disseminated during the pre-opening session, an investor who is unable to calculate an implied value for the Shares in that session may be at a disadvantage to market professionals.

Delivery of a Prospectus

BATS 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 Fund's website. The prospectus for a Fund does not contain all of the information set forth in the 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 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 Investment Company Act of 1940 and in the future make available a written product description, BATS Rule 14.1(c)(3) requires that BATS 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, BATS 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 BATS 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*].”

A BATS 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 BATS member under this rule.

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

Suitability

Trading in the securities on BATS will be subject to the provisions of Exchange Rule 3.7. Members recommending transactions in the securities to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer.

Trading Halts

BATS will halt trading in the Shares of a security in accordance with BATS Rule 14.1(c)(4). The grounds for a halt under BATS Rule 14.1(c)(4) include a halt by the primary market because the intraday indicative value of the security and/or the value of its underlying index are not being disseminated as required, or a halt for other regulatory reasons. In addition, BATS will stop trading the Shares of a security if the primary market de-lists the security.

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

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