

EDGA Exchange, Inc. & EDGX Exchange, Inc.				
Regulatory Information Circular				
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Subject: Direxion Daily Brazil Bear 3X Shares

Direxion Daily South Korea Bear 3X Shares

Background Information on the Funds

As more fully explained in the <u>Registration Statement</u> (Nos. 333-150525 and 811-22201) for the Direxion Shares ETF Trust (the "Trust"), 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 regulatory information circular relates only to the Funds listed above (each, a "Fund" and together, the "Funds"). The shares of the Funds are referred to herein as "Shares."

Rafferty Asset Management, LLC (the "Adviser"), serves as investment adviser of each of the Funds. Foreside Fund Services, LLC serves as the Distributor for the Funds (the "Distributor"). U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC acts as the Funds' administrator and Bank of New York Mellon acts as the Funds' custodian and transfer agent for the Funds.

Ticker	Fund Name	CUSIP
BRZS	Direxion Daily Brazil Bear 3X Shares	25459Y538
KORZ	Direxion Daily South Korea Bear 3X Shares	25459Y512

Description of the Funds

Direxion Daily Brazil Bear 3X Shares

The Direxion Daily Brazil Bear 3X Shares (the "Fund") seeks daily leveraged investment results. The pursuit of daily leveraged goals means that the Fund is riskier than alternatives that do not use leverage because the Fund's objective is to magnify the performance of an index. The pursuit of daily leveraged investment goals means that the return of the Fund for a period longer than a full trading day may bear no resemblance to –300% of the return of its index for such longer period because the aggregate return of the Fund is the product of the series of daily leveraged returns for each trading day. The path of the benchmark during the longer period may be at least as important to the Fund's return for the longer period as the cumulative return of the benchmark for the relevant longer period, especially in periods of market volatility. Further, the return for investors that invest for periods less than a full trading day or for a period

different than a trading day will not be the product of the return of the Fund's stated goal and the performance of the target index for the full trading day.

The Fund seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, of 300% of the inverse (or opposite) of the performance of the MSCI Brazil 25/50 Index (the "Index"). The Fund seeks daily leveraged investment results and does not seek to achieve its stated investment objective over a period of time greater than one day. The Fund is different and much riskier than most exchange-traded funds.

The Fund is designed to be utilized only by knowledgeable investors who understand the potential consequences of seeking daily leveraged investment results, understand the risks associated with shorting and the use of leverage, and are willing to monitor their portfolios frequently. The Fund seeks daily leveraged investment results relative to the Index and is different and riskier than similarly benchmarked exchange-traded funds that do not use leverage. Therefore, the Fund is not intended to be used by, and is not appropriate for, investors who do not intend to actively monitor and manage their portfolios.

Brazil is considered an "emerging market," as that term is defined by the index provider. The determination that Brazil is an "emerging market" is based on it being an economy that is in the initial stages of industrialization and has been historically marked by low per capita income and lack of capital market transparency, but appears to be implementing political and/or market reforms resulting in greater capital market transparency, increased access for foreign investors and generally improved economic conditions. Emerging markets have the potential for significantly higher or lower rates of return and carry greater risks than more developed economies.

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid cap segments of the Brazil equity market, covering approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in Brazil. As of February 28, 2013, the Index has an average market capitalization of \$6.0 billion and a median market capitalization of \$3.2 billion. Additionally, as of February 28, 2013, the Index is concentrated in the financial sector, but this concentration may change in the future based on the Index's methodology and the varying nature of Brazil's economy.

The Index applies certain screens and weightings to take into account the investment limits placed on regulated investment companies ("RICs") under federal tax regulations. One such requirement is that at the end of each quarter of a RIC's tax year, no more than 25% of its assets may be invested in a single issuer and the sum of the weights of all issuers representing more than 5% of the RIC should not exceed 50% of its total assets. The Index aims to reflect these requirements in the selection and weighting of its component securities.

The Fund may gain exposure to only a representative sample of the securities in the Index that have aggregate characteristics similar to those of the Index. The Fund gains this exposure by investing in a combination of financial instruments that, in combination, provide exposure to the underlying securities of the Index. The Fund seeks to remain fully invested at all times consistent with its stated goal. At the close of the markets each trading day, Rafferty positions

the Fund's portfolio so that its exposure to the Index is consistent with the Fund's investment objective. The impact of the Index's movements during the day will affect whether the Fund's portfolio needs to be re-positioned. For example, if the Index has fallen on a given day, net assets of the Fund should rise, meaning that the Fund's exposure will need to be increased. Conversely, if the Index has risen on a given day, net assets of the Fund should fall, meaning the Fund's exposure will need to be reduced. This re-positioning strategy typically results in high portfolio turnover.

Because of daily rebalancing and the compounding of each day's return over time, the return of the Fund for periods longer than a single day will be the result of each day's returns compounded over the period, which will very likely differ from –300% of the return of the Index over the same period. The Fund will lose money if the Index performance is flat over time, and as a result of daily rebalancing, the Index's volatility and the effects of compounding, it is even possible that the Fund will lose money over time while the Index's performance decreases.

Additionally, because a significant portion of the assets of the Fund may come from investors using "asset allocation" and "market timing" investment strategies, the Fund may further need to engage in frequent trading. The Fund will concentrate its investment in a particular industry or group of industries to approximately the same extent as the Index is so concentrated.

For more information, please see the Fund's <u>Prospectus and Statement of Additional</u> <u>Information ("SAI")</u>.

Direxion Daily South Korea Bear 3X Shares

The Direxion Daily South Korea Bear 3X Shares (the "Fund") seeks daily leveraged investment results. The pursuit of daily leveraged goals means that the Fund is riskier than alternatives that do not use leverage because the Fund's objective is to magnify the performance of an index. The pursuit of daily leveraged investment goals means that the return of the Fund for a period longer than a full trading day may bear no resemblance to –300% of the return of its index for such longer period because the aggregate return of the Fund is the product of the series of daily leveraged returns for each trading day. The path of the benchmark during the longer period may be at least as important to the Fund's return for the longer period as the cumulative return of the benchmark for the relevant longer period, especially in periods of market volatility. Further, the return for investors that invest for periods less than a full trading day or for a period different than a trading day will not be the product of the return of the Fund's stated goal and the performance of the target index for the full trading day.

The Fund seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, of 300% of the inverse (or opposite) of the performance of the MSCI Korea 25/50 Index (the "Index"). The Fund seeks daily leveraged investment results and does not seek to achieve its stated investment objective over a period of time greater than one day. The Fund is different and much riskier than most exchange-traded funds.

The Fund is designed to be utilized only by knowledgeable investors who understand the potential consequences of seeking daily leveraged investment results, understand the risks associated with shorting and the use of leverage, and are willing to monitor their portfolios frequently. The Fund seeks daily leveraged investment results relative to the Index and is different and riskier than similarly benchmarked exchange-traded funds that do not use leverage. Therefore, the Fund is not intended to be used by, and is not appropriate for, investors who do not intend to actively monitor and manage their portfolios.

The Fund, under normal circumstances, creates short positions by investing at least 80% of its assets in: futures contracts; options on securities, indices and futures contracts; equity caps, floors and collars; swap agreements; forward contracts; short positions; reverse repurchase agreements; exchange-traded funds; and other financial instruments that, in combination, provide leveraged and unleveraged exposure to the Index. The Fund invests the remainder of its assets in short-term debt instruments that have terms-to-maturity of less than 397 days and exhibit high quality credit profiles, including U.S. government securities and repurchase agreements. The Fund does not invest in equity securities.

South Korea is considered an "emerging market," as that term is defined by the index provider. The determination that South Korea is an "emerging market" is based on it being an economy that is in the initial stages of industrialization and has been historically marked by low per capita income and lack of capital market transparency, but appears to be implementing political and/or market reforms resulting in greater capital market transparency, increased access for foreign investors and generally improved economic conditions. Emerging markets have the potential for significantly higher or lower rates of return and carry greater risks than more developed economies.

The Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid cap segments of the South Korea equity market, covering approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in South Korea. As of February 28, 2013, the Index has an average market capitalization of \$5.7 billion and a median market capitalization of \$2.6 billion. Additionally, as of February 28, 2013, the Index is concentrated in the information technology sector, but this concentration may change in the future based on the Index's methodology and the varying nature of South Korea's economy.

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For more information, please see the Fund's **Prospectus and SAI**.

For a more complete description of the Funds and the Indices, please visit the website at www.direxionfunds.com.

As described more fully in the Funds' Prospectuses and SAIs, the Funds issue and redeem Shares at net asset value ("NAV") only in large blocks of 50,000 Shares (each block of Shares called a "Creation Unit"). 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.

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 each 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 primary 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 <u>Registration Statement</u> for the Funds describes the various fees and expenses for the Funds' Shares.

Principal Risks

Interested persons are referred to the Funds' Prospectuses, available at www.direxionfunds.com for descriptions of risks associated with an investment in the Funds.

The risks for both Funds include: Adverse Market Conditions Risk; Adviser's Investment Strategy Risk; Cash Transaction Risk; Counterparty Risk; Currency Exchange Rate Risk; Daily Correlation Risk; Derivatives Risk; Early Close/Trading Halt Risk; Effects of Compounding and Market Volatility Risk; Emerging Markets Risk; Foreign Securities Risk; Gain Limitation Risk; Geographic Concentration Risk; High Portfolio Turnover Risk; Intra-Day Investment Risk; Inverse Correlation Risk; Leverage Risk; Liquidity Risk; Market Risk; Market Timing Risk; Non-Diversification Risk; Regulatory Risk; Risks of Investing in Other Investment Companies (including ETFs); Shorting Risk; Small and Mid-Capitalization Company Risk; Tax and Distribution Risk; Tracking Error Risk; Valuation Time Risk; Special Risks of Exchange-Traded Funds; and Market Price Variance Risk.

There are additional risks for each Fund. The risks for Direxion Daily Brazil Bear 3X Shares include Brazilian Securities Risk and Financial Services Companies Risk. The risks for Direxion Daily South Korea Bear 3X Shares include South Korean Securities Risk and Technology and Telecommunications Sector Risk. In addition, as noted in each Fund's Prospectuses, 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.

Consult the Funds' Prospectuses and the Trust's <u>Registration Statement</u> and <u>Supplementary Materials</u> for additional risks of an investment in the shares.

Trading Hours

Trading in the Shares on EDGA Exchange, Inc. and EDGX Exchange, Inc. (together, the "Exchanges") is on a UTP basis and is subject to the Exchanges equity trading rules. The Shares will trade from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. ET. Members trading the Shares during the Extended Market Sessions (Pre-opening and Post-closing sessions) are exposed to the risk of the lack of the calculation or dissemination of Index value or intraday indicative value ("IIV"). For certain derivative securities products, an updated Index value or IIV may not be calculated or publicly disseminated in the Extended Market hours. Since the 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.

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.

Suitability

Trading in the Shares on the Exchanges will be subject to the provisions of EDGA and EDGX Exchange Rules 3.7. 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 Exchange Rules 3.7.

Members also should review FINRA 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.

Trading Halts

The Exchanges will halt trading in the Shares in accordance with Exchange Rules 14.1(c)(4). 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, the Exchanges 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 Funds' <u>website</u>. The Prospectuses do not contain all of the information set forth in each Fund's 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 Funds, please refer to the Trusts' Registration Statement.

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

The Commission has issued letters (together, the "No- Action Letters") dated June 27, 2007, April 9, 2007, October 24, 2006, and November 21, 2005 granting exemptive, interpretive and no-action relief from certain provisions of and rules under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for exchange-traded funds listed and traded on a registered national securities exchange that meet certain criteria. Members should refer to the No Action Letters, available at www.sec.gov, for additional information.

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 Commission issued a No-Action Letter by which persons participating in a distribution of shares of a fund may engage in secondary market transactions in such shares during their participation in such a distribution, despite the requirements of from Rule 101 under Regulation M. In addition, the SEC has permitted persons who may be deemed to be participating in the distribution of shares of a 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 Commission 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 Funds' securities during the restricted period of Rule 101. The Commission has issued a No-Action Letter relating 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.

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 Units 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 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

The Commission has permitted any person acting as a dealer-manager of a tender offer for a component security of 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 has been issued under Rule 14e-5 states that 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, it must be 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 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 Commission 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 (I)(5)(A), (B) or (C). See letter dated November 22, 2005 from Brian A Bussey, Assistant Chief Counsel, SEC Division of Market Regulation, to Barclays Global Investors, N.A., dated November 22, 2005. The Commission has issued a No-Action Letter under Section 11(d)(1) of the Act stating 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 Commission has issued a No-Action letter 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.

This Regulatory Information Circular is not a statutory Prospectus. Members should consult the Trust's <u>Registration Statement</u>, <u>SAIs</u>, <u>Prospectuses</u> and the Funds' website for relevant information.