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Regulatory Information Circular				
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**Subject:** EGSHARES TCW EM Short Term Investment Grade Bond ETF

**EGSHARES TCW EM Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond ETF** 

**EGSHARES TCW EM Long Term Investment Grade Bond ETF** 

## **Background Information on the Fund**

As more fully explained in the <u>Registration Statement</u> (No. 333-155709 and 811-22255), the EGA Emerging Global Shares Trust (the "Trust") is a management investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, consisting of several investment portfolios. The shares of these exchange-traded funds (the "Funds") are referred to herein as "Shares".

Emerging Global Advisors, LLC serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. ALPS Distributors, Inc. serves as Distributor ("Distributor") for the Fund. The Bank of New York Mellon acts as administrator, accountant, custodian, and transfer agent for the Funds (the "Administrator").

Ticker	Fund Name	CUSIP
	EGSHARES TCW EM Short Term	
SEMF	Investment Grade Bond ETF	268461399
	EGSHARES TCW EM Intermediate Term	
<b>IEMF</b>	Investment Grade Bond ETF	268461381
	EGSHARES TCW EM Long Term	
LEMF	Investment Grade Bond ETF	268461373

## **EGShares TCW EM Short Term Investment Grade Bond ETF**

The Fund seeks investment results that correspond (before fees and expenses) to the price and yield performance of the J.P. Morgan Custom EM Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index (the "Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index").

The Fund attempts to achieve its investment objective through investment in investment grade debt denominated in U.S. dollars of emerging market countries and companies. Under normal conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for

investment purposes) in investment grade, U.S. dollar denominated emerging markets short term sovereign and corporate bonds. The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in fixed income securities that are non-investment grade or unrated and/or issued by non-emerging market countries and companies.

The Fund, using a "passive" or "indexing" investment approach, will seek to replicate, before the Fund's fees and expenses, the performance of the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index is a rules-based index comprised of, as of the date of this Prospectus, approximately 48 emerging markets investment grade sovereign and corporate bonds, notes or other debt obligations denominated in U.S. dollars with remaining maturities between 1 and 3 years. The remaining maturity of an eligible corporate bond is determined by its actual maturity or, in the case of callable securities, the effective maturity of the security as determined in accordance with a rules-based methodology developed by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Through its investments, the Fund will have an average weighted remaining maturity of no more than 3 years.

The Fund expects to use a sampling approach in seeking to achieve its investment objective. Sampling means that TCW Investment Management Company, the sub-adviser to the Fund ("Sub-Adviser"), uses quantitative analysis to select securities from the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index universe to obtain a representative sample of securities that resemble the Index in terms of key risk factors, performance attributes and other characteristics. These characteristics may include country of domicile, maturity, credit quality, sector, duration and other financial characteristics of fixed income securities. Duration measures the sensitivity of bond prices to changes in interest rates. The longer the duration of a bond, the longer it will take to repay the principal and interest obligations and the more sensitive it will be to changes in interest rates. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including the asset size of the Fund, potential transaction costs in acquiring particular securities, the anticipated impact of particular securities in the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index on the performance of the Index and the availability of particular securities in the secondary market. However, the Fund may use replication to achieve its objective if practicable. In seeking to accurately track the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index, there may also be instances in which the Sub-Adviser chooses to overweight or underweight another security in the Index, or purchase (or sell) securities not in the Index that the Sub-Adviser believes are appropriate substitutes for one or more Index components. In addition, from time to time securities are added to or removed from the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Fund may sell securities that are represented in the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index or purchase securities that are not yet represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from or addition to the Index. To the extent the Short Term Investment Grade Bond Index concentrates in a particular industry or group of industries, the Fund will concentrate its investments accordingly, although the Fund will generally limit individual country positions to no more than 20% of its net assets.

# **EGShares TCW EM Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond ETF**

The Fund seeks investment results that correspond (before fees and expenses) to the price and yield performance of the J.P. Morgan Custom EM Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index (the "Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index").

The Fund attempts to achieve its investment objective through investment in investment grade debt denominated in U.S. dollars of emerging market countries and companies. Under normal conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in investment grade, U.S. dollar denominated emerging markets intermediate term sovereign and corporate bonds. The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in fixed income securities that are non-investment grade or unrated and/or issued by non-emerging market countries and companies.

The Fund, using a "passive" or "indexing" investment approach, will seek to replicate, before the Fund's fees and expenses, the performance of the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index is a rules-based index comprised of, as of the date of this Prospectus, approximately 118 emerging markets investment grade sovereign and corporate bonds, notes or other debt obligations denominated in U.S. dollars with remaining maturities between 4 and 7 years. The remaining maturity of an eligible corporate bond is determined by its actual maturity or, in the case of callable securities, the effective maturity of the security as determined in accordance with a rules-based methodology developed by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Through its investments, the Fund will have an average weighted remaining maturity of more than 4 years but less than 8 years.

The Fund expects to use a sampling approach in seeking to achieve its investment objective. Sampling means that the Sub-Adviser uses quantitative analysis to select securities from the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index universe to obtain a representative sample of securities that resemble the Index in terms of key risk factors, performance attributes and other characteristics. These characteristics may include country of domicile, maturity, credit quality, sector, duration and other financial characteristics of fixed income securities. Duration measures the sensitivity of bond prices to changes in interest rates. The longer the duration of a bond, the longer it will take to repay the principal and interest obligations and the more sensitive it will be to changes in interest rates. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including the asset size of the Fund, potential transaction costs in acquiring particular securities, the anticipated impact of particular securities in the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index on the performance of the Index and the availability of particular securities in the secondary market. However, the Fund may use replication to achieve its objective if practicable. In seeking to accurately track the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index, there may also be instances in which the Sub-Adviser chooses to overweight or underweight another security in the Index, or purchase (or sell) securities not in the Index that the Sub-Adviser believes are appropriate substitutes for one or more Index components. In addition, from time to time securities are added to or removed from the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Fund may sell securities that are represented in the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index or purchase securities that are not yet represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from or addition to the Index. To the extent the Intermediate Term Investment Grade Bond Index concentrates in a particular industry or group of industries, the Fund will concentrate its investments accordingly, although the Fund will generally limit individual country positions to no more than 20% of its net assets.

#### **EGShares TCW EM Long Term Investment Grade Bond ETF**

The Fund seeks investment results that correspond (before fees and expenses) to the price and yield performance of the J.P. Morgan Custom EM Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index (the "Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index").

The Fund attempts to achieve its investment objective through investment in investment grade debt denominated in U.S. dollars of emerging market countries and companies. Under normal conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in investment grade, U.S. dollar denominated emerging markets long term sovereign and corporate bonds. The Fund may invest up to 20% of its net assets in fixed income securities that are non-investment grade or unrated and/or issued by non-emerging market countries and companies.

The Fund, using a "passive" or "indexing" investment approach, will seek to replicate, before the Fund's fees and expenses, the performance of the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index is a rules-based index comprised of, as of the date of this Prospectus, approximately 121 emerging markets investment grade sovereign and corporate bonds, notes or other debt obligations denominated in U.S. dollars with remaining maturities between 8 and 12 years. The remaining maturity of an eligible corporate bond is determined by its actual maturity or, in the case of callable securities, the effective maturity of the security as determined in accordance with a rules-based methodology developed by J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Through its investments, the Fund will have an average weighted remaining maturity of more than 8 years.

The Fund expects to use a sampling approach in seeking to achieve its investment objective. Sampling means that the Sub-Adviser uses quantitative analysis to select securities from the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index universe to obtain a representative sample of securities that resemble the Index in terms of key risk factors, performance attributes and other characteristics. These characteristics may include country of domicile, maturity, credit quality, sector, duration and other financial characteristics of fixed income securities. Duration measures the sensitivity of bond prices to changes in interest rates. The longer the duration of a bond, the longer it will take to repay the principal and interest obligations and the more sensitive it will be to changes in interest rates. The quantity of holdings in the Fund will be based on a number of factors, including the asset size of the Fund, potential transaction costs in acquiring particular securities, the anticipated impact of particular securities in the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index on the performance of the Index and the availability of particular securities in the secondary market. However, the Fund may use replication to achieve its objective if practicable. In seeking to accurately track the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index, there may also be instances in which the Sub-Adviser chooses to overweight or underweight another security in the Index, or purchase (or sell) securities not in the Index that the Sub-Adviser believes are appropriate substitutes for one or more Index components. In addition, from time to time securities are added to or removed from the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index. The Fund may sell securities that are represented in the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index or purchase securities that are not yet represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from or addition to the Index. To the extent the Long Term Investment Grade Bond Index concentrates in a particular industry or group of industries, the Fund's will concentrate its investments

accordingly, although the Fund will generally limit individual country positions to no more than 20% of its net assets.

Unlike conventional mutual funds, each Fund issues and redeems Shares on a continuous basis, at NAV, only in Creation Units consisting of 50,000 Shares. Individual Shares may only be purchased and sold on the Exchange through a broker-dealer. Shares of each Fund will trade at market prices rather than NAV. As such, Shares may trade at a price greater than NAV (i.e., at a premium) or less than NAV (i.e., at a discount).

Each Fund intends to qualify each year as a regulated investment company under the Code. As a regulated investment company, a Fund generally will not pay federal income tax on the income and gains it distributes to you. Each Fund expects to declare and pay all of its net investment income, if any, to shareholders as dividends monthly. However, the officers of the Trust are authorized in their discretion not to pay a dividend for a Fund if such officers determine that the cost of paying the dividend (including costs borne by each Fund for printing and mailing dividend checks) exceeds the amount of income or excise tax that is payable by each Fund as a result of not paying the dividend. Each Fund will declare and pay net realized capital gains, if any, at least annually. A Fund may distribute such income dividends and capital gains more frequently, if necessary, in order to reduce or eliminate federal excise or income taxes on that Fund. The amount of any distribution will vary, and there is no guarantee a Fund will pay either an income dividend or a capital gains distribution.

The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") will serve as securities depository for the Shares, which may be held only in book-entry form; stock certificates will not be issued. DTC, or its nominee, is the record or registered owner of all outstanding Shares.

The NAV per share of each Fund will be determined as of the close of trading (normally, 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time ("ET")) on each day that the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and NYSE Arca are open for business. NAV will be available from the Distributor and is also available to National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") participants through data made available from NSCC. A major market data vendor will disseminate the Indicative Optimized Portfolio Value (IOPV) for the Trust throughout the trading day to the Consolidated Tape association. The symbol for the IOPV of the Funds are SEMF.IV, IEMF.IV and LEMF.IV, respectively.

## **Principal Risks**

Interested persons are referred to the Funds' Prospectus for a description of risks associated with an investment in the Funds. These risks include, but are not limited to, Securities Risk; Market Price Variance Risk; Non-Investment Grade Securities Risk; Interest Rate Risk; Credit/Default Risk; Non-Correlation Risk; Index-Related Risk; Extension Risk; Income Risk; Liquidity Risk; Fluctuation of Yield and Liquidation Amount Risk; Financial Services Sector Risk; Concentration Risk; Foreign Investment Risk; Emerging Markets Risk; Passive Management Risk; Issuer-Specific Changes Risk; Cash Transactions Risk; and Non-Diversification Risk. In addition, as noted in the applicable Prospectus, 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 Funds' 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

## **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.

# **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. Eastern Time. 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.

## **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.

#### **Suitability**

Trading in the Shares on the Exchanges will be subject to the provisions of 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.

# **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 Fund's website. The Prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in 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 Fund, please refer to the Trust's Registration Statement.

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

The Commission has issued letters dated April 9, 2007, November 21, 2005 and August 17, 2001 (together the "No-Action Letters") 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. ETP Holders are referred to the text of 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.

In the Staff's April 9, 2007 No-Action Letter, the Staff confirmed that Fixed Income ETFs meeting the requirements set forth in such No-Action Letter will be excepted under paragraph (c)(4) of Rule 101 of Regulation M, which provides an exception for redeemable securities issued by an open-end management investment company, thus permitting persons who may be deemed to be participating in a distribution of Shares to bid for or purchase Shares during their participation in such distribution.

The Staff also confirmed the interpretation of Rule 101 of Regulation M that the redemption of Creation Unit Aggregations of Shares and the receipt of Component Securities in exchange therefor by a participant in a distribution of Shares would not constitute an "attempt to induce any person to bid for or purchase a covered security, during the applicable restricted period" within the meaning of Regulation M, and therefore would not violate Regulation M.

In the Staff's April 9, 2007 No-Action Letter, the Staff also confirmed that Fixed Income ETFs meeting the requirements set forth in the No-Action Letter are excepted under paragraph (d)(4) of Rule 102 of Regulation M, thus permitting Fixed Income ETFs to redeem Shares during

the continuous offering of the Shares where the Fixed Income ETF meets conditions set forth in such No-Action Letter.

## 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(1)(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 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 Registration Statement, Prospectus, SAI and the Funds' website for relevant information.