

distribution (or, a special distribution, corrective distribution, or net income distribution) will continue to provide at least three business days' advance notice (or longer advance notice as may be required by the Exchange)¹⁶ of such an event, as currently required.¹⁷

With respect to the proposed changes to the Underlying Benchmarks for the AccuShares S&P® GSCI® Crude Oil Spot Fund and the AccuShares S&P® GSCI® Natural Gas Spot Fund, the Commission agrees that the excess return variant—which, in contrast to the spot variant, captures the cost or benefit of transacting out of the current or front-month expiry contract and into the next or following futures contract—is not a novel or unique index variant and is one that is employed by other types of exchange-traded products.¹⁸ The Commission believes that the proposed changes to the Underlying Benchmarks for the AccuShares S&P® GSCI® Crude Oil Spot Fund and the AccuShares S&P® GSCI® Natural Gas Spot Fund are reasonable because the excess return variant for these Underlying Benchmarks, which contains the cost or benefit of the roll forward, is reasonably designed to permit more efficient hedging with conventional futures contracts.¹⁹

With respect to the proposal to reset the Share Index Factors of the VIX Fund more frequently (*i.e.*, weekly), the Commission believes that more frequent resets of the Share Index Factors for the VIX Fund are reasonably designed to benefit market participants that trade shares of the VIX Fund because the increased frequency may improve the arbitrage function of the shares by aligning the setting of the Share Index Factors with the expiry of each weekly VIX futures contract, and because the Share Index Factor will reset with a frequency closer to the daily measurements of spot VIX. The changes to the VIX Fund support the prospect of improved and simplified arbitrage and hedging of VIX Fund shares because the settlement of the shorter VIX futures will coincide with each Share Index Factor reset. In addition, the potentially improved hedgeability of the VIX Fund shares as a result of the proposed

changes is expected to bring the share trading prices closer aligned with the corresponding share Class Values, which are tied directly to changes in spot VIX values.

The Commission notes that it received two comments regarding the proposed rule change: one comment supporting the proposal; and another comment addressing exchange-traded funds generally. The Commission notes that the issue raised by the latter comment does not squarely address the Paired Class Shares, which are the subject of this proposed rule change.²⁰

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act²¹ and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange.

IV. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change (SR-NASDAQ-2016-034) be, and it hereby is, approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.²²

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-2736.

Extension:

Form SD, SEC File No. 270-647, OMB Control No. 3235-0697.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget this request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Form SD (17 CFR 249b-400) under Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Exchange Act”) pursuant to Section 13(p)(15 U.S.C. 78m(p)) of the Exchange Act is filed by

issuers to provide disclosures regarding the source and chain of custody of certain minerals used in their products. The information provided is mandatory and all information is made available to the public upon request. We estimate that Form SD takes approximately 480.61 hours per response to prepare and is filed by approximately 864 issuers. We estimate that 75% of the 480.61 hours per response (360.46 hours) is prepared by the issuer internally for a total annual burden of 311,437 hours (360.46 hours per response × 864 responses).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

The public may view the background documentation for this information collection at the following Web site, www.reginfo.gov. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or by sending an email to: ShaguftaAhmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Pamela Dyson, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: April 27, 2016.

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 500-1]

Order of Suspension of Trading; In the Matter of Pioneer Exploration, Inc., Premier Brands, Inc., and Private Media Group, Inc.

April 29, 2016.

It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that there is a lack of current and accurate information concerning the securities of Pioneer Exploration, Inc. (CIK No. 1364123), a revoked Nevada corporation with its principal place of business listed as Newport Beach, California, with stock quoted on OTC Link (previously, “Pink Sheets”) operated by OTC Markets Group Inc. (“OTC Link”) under the ticker symbol PIEX, because it has not

¹⁶ The Exchange may determine that longer notice is advisable in some circumstances (*e.g.*, an extended market break).

¹⁷ See Notice, *supra* note 3, 81 FR at 14492.

¹⁸ See *id.*, 81 FR at 14492 n.25 and accompanying text.

¹⁹ The Exchange represents that the excess return variant is an index variant that (1) has been used by and is familiar to market makers and other market participants; and (2) is directly hedgeable with conventional futures contracts, which contain the cost or benefit of the roll forward. See *id.*, 81 FR at 14492.

²⁰ See *supra* note 4.

²¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

²² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).