

II. Discussion

Section 15A(b)(6)⁸ of the Act requires that the rules of a national securities association be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade and to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, and processing information with respect to securities, and in general, to protect investors and the public interest. The Commission believes the proposed rule change is consistent with the NASD's obligations because it fosters cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in clearing and settling securities transactions by streamlining and improving the process by which trades between NASD and CDS members are compared. The Commission also believes the rule change is consistent with the Act because it permits CDS broker/dealer members to participate in ACT under an agreement by CDS to guarantee its member transactions. Such participation should promote the public interest by expanding the universe of Canadian Brokers executing trades with NASD members in the U.S. Furthermore, the CDS guarantee of its member transactions should promote investor protection.

III. Conclusion

The Commission finds that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of the Act and particularly with Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change (File No. SR-NASD-95-49) be, and hereby is, approved.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁹

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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Advisory Committee (ITAC) Ad Hoc on implementation of the Leland Initiative: Africa Global Information Infrastructure Gateway. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, 10:00 a.m. to noon, Loy Henderson Auditorium, Department of State, 2201 "C" Street NW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of ITAC is to advise the Department on policy, technical and operations matters and to provide strategic planning recommendations, with respect to international telecommunications and information issues.

The purpose of the Ad Hoc Committee is to advise the U.S. Government on the Leland Initiative; a multi-year program to support full Internet connectivity in up to twenty African nations. The agenda for the meeting will cover how the U.S. plans to implement the Leland Initiative. We will address the three components of the Initiative: policies, infrastructure and approaches to assure wide use of the Internet. Questions regarding the agenda may be directed to John Mack, Department of State, at 202-647-5778.

Members of the general public may attend the meetings and join in the discussions, subject to the instructions of the chair. In this regard, entry to the building is controlled. If you wish to attend, please send a fax to 202-647-0158 not later than 1 week before the scheduled meeting.

One of the following valid photo ID's will be required for admittance: U.S. driver's license with picture, U.S. passport, U.S. government ID (company ID's are no longer accepted by Diplomatic Security). Enter from the "C" Street Main Lobby.

Dated: February 29, 1996.

Richard E. Shrum,

ITAC Executive Director.

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Authority is soliciting public comments on this proposed collection as provided by 5 CFR Section 1320.8(d)(1). Requests for information, including copies of the information collection proposed and supporting documentation, should be directed to the Acting Agency Clearance Officer: Wilma H. McCauley, Tennessee Valley Authority, 1101 Market Street (CST 13B), Chattanooga, TN 37402-2801; (423) 751-2523.

Comments should be sent to the Acting Agency Clearance Officer no later than May 10, 1996.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of Request: Regular submission, proposal to extend without revision a currently approved collection of information (OMB control number 3316-0016).

Title of Information Collection: Farmer Questionnaire-Vicinity of Nuclear Power Plants.

Frequency of Use: On occasion.

Type of Affected Public: Individuals or households, and farms.

Small Business or Organizations Affected: No.

Federal Budget Functional Category Code: 271.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1,200.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 600.

Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Response: .5.

Need For and Use of Information:

This survey is used to locate, for monitoring purposes, rural residents, home gardens, and milk animals within a five mile radius of a nuclear power plant. The monitoring program is a mandatory requirement of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission set out in the technical specifications when the plants were licensed.

William S. Moore,

Senior Manager, Administrative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 2352]

United States International Telecommunication Advisory Committee (ITAC) Ad Hoc on the Leland Initiative: Africa GII Gateway; Meeting Notice

The Department of State announces the first meeting of the United States International Telecommunications

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as Amended by P.L. 104-13; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). The Tennessee Valley

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. RSAC-96-1]

Railroad Safety Advisory Committee; Establishment

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Railroad Safety Advisory Committee ("RSAC") Establishment.

SUMMARY: As required by Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act

⁸ 15 U.S.C. § 78o-3(b)(6) (1988).

⁹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12) (1994).