

Washington, DC 20581; telephone: (202) 418-5490.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 4j(a)(3) of the Commodity Exchange Act and Regulation 155.5 thereunder, a board of trade may submit a petition to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") to exempt any of its affected contract markets (markets with an average daily volume of over 8,000 contracts traded for four consecutive quarters) from the prohibition against dual trading. Regulation 155.5(d)(6) authorizes the Director of the Division of Trading and Markets to publish notice of each exemption petition deemed complete under Regulation 155.5(d) and to make the petition available to the public as required by Section 4j(a)(5) of the Act.

NYCE originally submitted a petition for dual trading exemption for its Cotton 2 futures contract on September 28, 1995, within 30 days after the contract market became an affected market. After the Commission requested additional information, the Exchange submitted a supplement on November 21, 1995.

The Commission is currently testing the Exchange's audit trail system to determine its accuracy. In conjunction with this test, the Exchange will be given an opportunity to update its petition.

Copies of the file and any future updates, except to the extent the Exchange has requested confidential treatment in accordance with 17 CFR 145.9, are available for inspection at the Commission's Office of the Secretariat, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581, and may be obtained by mail at that address or by telephone at (202) 418-5100.

Petition materials subject to NYCE's request for confidential treatment may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR Part 145), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of the Secretariat at the above address in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Application of the prohibition against the contract market covered by the petition has been suspended in accordance with Commission Regulation 155.5(d)(5) and will remain suspended until the petition is acted upon.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 12, 1997.

Jean A. Webb,  
Secretary.

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### **The Comex Division of the New York Mercantile Exchange's Update of Petition for Exemption From the Dual Trading Prohibition in Affected Contract Markets**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of update of petition for exemption from the prohibition on dual trading in affected contract markets.

**SUMMARY:** The Comex Division of the New York Mercantile Exchange ("Comex" or "Exchange") has submitted an update of its October 21, 1993 petition for exemption from the prohibition against dual trading in two contract markets (which was submitted by its predecessor Commodity Exchange, Inc). The Exchange had resubmitted a corrected petition on November 30, 1993 and also submitted a supplement on January 5, 1994. Copies of the entire file are available to the public upon request, except to the extent the Exchange has requested confidential treatment.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the file are available from the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Reference should be made to the Comex dual trading exemption petition file.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Duane Andresen, Special Counsel, or Evan Davis, Staff Attorney, Division of Trading and Markets, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581; telephone: (202) 418-5490.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 4j(a)(3) of the Commodity Exchange Act and Regulation 155.5 thereunder, a board of trade may submit a petition to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") to exempt any of its affected contract markets (markets with an average daily volume of over 8,000 contracts traded for four consecutive quarters) from the prohibition against dual trading. Regulation 155.5(d)(6) authorizes the Director of the Division of Trading and Markets to publish notice of each exemption petition deemed complete under Regulation 155.5(d) and to make the petition available to the public as required by Section 4j(a)(5) of the Act.

Comex originally submitted a petition for dual trading exemption on October 21, 1993. After the Commission requested additional information, the Exchange submitted a corrected petition on November 30, 1993. That petition was made available to the public by a notice of availability published in the Federal Register on December 22, 1993. Thereafter, Comex submitted a January 5, 1994 supplement. Pursuant to a request from the Commission, Comex submitted a dual trading exemption petition update dated January 17, 1997 for its contract markets in gold and silver futures contracts.

Copies of the file containing all these materials, except to the extent the Exchange has requested confidential treatment in accordance with 17 CFR 145.9, are available for inspection at the Commission's Office of the Secretariat, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581, and may be obtained by mail at that address or by telephone at (202) 418-5100.

Petition materials subject to Comex's request for confidential treatment may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR Part 145), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of the Secretariat at the above address in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Comex timely submitted its original petition before October 26, 1993, the effective date of the dual trading prohibition. Therefore, application of the prohibition against the contract markets covered by the petition has been suspended in accordance with Commission Regulation 155.5(d)(5) and will remain suspended until the petition is acted upon.

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Secretary.

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### **Sunshine Act Meeting**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 7, 1997.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 9th Fl. Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

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*Secretary of the Commission.*

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### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 14, 1997.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 9th Fl. Conference Room.

**STATUS:** closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

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*Secretary of the Commission.*

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### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 21, 1997.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 9th Fl. Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

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### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 28, 1997.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 9th Fl. Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

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### CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### AmeriCorps: State, National, Indian Tribes, and U.S. Territories Programs

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Funds for New and Renewal Grants, Notice of Availability of 1997 Application Guidelines, and Responses to Public Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (Corporation) announces the availability of funds for new and renewal AmeriCorps program grants in the approximate amounts of: (1) \$162 million for AmeriCorps State program grants (CFDA #94.003); (2) \$40 million for AmeriCorps National program grants (CFDA #94.004); and (3) \$5 million for AmeriCorps Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories program grants (CFDA #94.004). The application forms and guidelines for completing these applications are contained in the (1) "1997 AmeriCorps Guidelines and Instructions for State Commissions", (2) the "AmeriCorps National 1997 Application Guidelines", and (3) the "1997 AmeriCorps Application Guidelines for Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories" respectively.

The second section of this notice addresses comments submitted in response to the Corporation notice published in the Federal Register on August 6, 1996, which described proposed changes to Corporation grant-making guidelines, policies, and priorities for 1997, and invited comments with regard to its AmeriCorps State, National, Indian Tribes, and U.S. Territories programs. The changes proposed for the Fiscal Year 1997 grant cycle were non-regulatory in nature. In response to this notice, the Corporation received comments from eleven organizations.

**DATES:** All AmeriCorps State program applications must be received by 3:30 p.m. (E.S.T.), April 15, 1997. Although AmeriCorps State program applications must be received at the Corporation by that date, applicants seeking AmeriCorps funds from State Commissions should contact their respective State Commissions since individual State Commissions set their

own deadlines. Applicants for new AmeriCorps National grants must be received by 3:30 p.m. (E.S.T.), April 1, 1997. Notice regarding the renewal application deadline for AmeriCorps National grants will be provided to existing grantees at a later date. All AmeriCorps Indian Tribe and U.S. Territory applications must be received by 3:30 p.m. (E.S.T.), April 15, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** All applications should be submitted to the Corporation for National Service, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, Box AS (for AmeriCorps States), Box ACD (for AmeriCorps National), Box ITT (for AmeriCorps Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories), Washington, D.C. 20525. Facsimiles will not be accepted.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions about the AmeriCorps State application process should be directed to the State Commission offices. Copies of the "AmeriCorps National 1997 Application Guidelines" and "1997 AmeriCorps Application Guidelines for Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories" should be requested by calling (202) 606-5000, extension 260. If potential applicants have questions about the AmeriCorps National and AmeriCorps Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories application guidelines or the application process, they should contact the Corporation for National Service, AmeriCorps Direct, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20525. Phone: (202) 606-5000, extension 125. Organizations interested in applying for the AmeriCorps National program funds may participate in conference calls on February 27, 1997, and March 7, 1997, during which Corporation staff will provide technical assistance to potential applicants. Both calls will commence at 10 AM and end at 12 PM (E.S.T.). To register for these calls, please contact Baqiya Adam at (202) 606-5000, extension 549. The Corporation staff will also conduct conference calls to provide technical assistance to potential applicants seeking AmeriCorps Indian Tribes and U.S. Territories program funds on March 3, 1997, and March 10, 1997. All calls will commence at 2 pm (E.S.T.). To register for these calls, please contact Rosa Harrison at (202)-606-5000, extension 433.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Corporation's requirements for AmeriCorps programs are set forth in the Corporation's authorizing statute (42 U.S.C. section 12501 *et seq.*), its implementing regulations (45 CFR Part 2500 *et seq.*), and grant application guidelines. In addition to being thoroughly familiar with the statute and its implementing regulations,