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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

Notice of Change in Docket Room Hours

(Authority: 39 U.S.C. 404(b), 3603, 3622-24, 3661, 3662, 3663)

AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

ACTION: Change in docket room hours.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby provides notice that the hours of operation for the docket section, effective February 1, 1999, will be 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. These hours will be in effect until further notice.

DATES: Changes are effective February 1, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, 1333 H Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20268-0001 (202-789-6840).

Dated: January 25, 1999.

Margaret P. Crenshaw,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw From Listing and Registration; (ABM Industries Incorporated, Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value, and Preferred Stock Purchase Rights) File No. 1-8929

January 22, 1999.

ABM Industries Incorporated ("Company") has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 12d2-2(d) promulgated thereunder, to withdraw the above specified securities ("Securities") from listing and registration on the Pacific Exchange, Inc. ("PCX" or "Exchange").

The reasons cited in the application for withdrawing the Securities from listing and registration include the following:

The Securities of the Company are currently listed for trading on the PCX and the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE"). The Company has complied with Rule 3.4(b) of the PCX by filing with the Exchange a certified copy of

the resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors and by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors authorizing the withdrawal, and in an accompanying letter to the Exchange has stated the reasons for the proposed withdrawal. In making the decision to withdraw from listing on the PCX, the Company considered the direct and indirect costs and expenses attendant on maintaining the dual listing of its Securities. The Company does not see any particular advantage in the dual trading of its Securities. The Company has also determined that the average daily volume of trading in its Securities on the Exchange is under 900 shares, or less than 3% of the total number of shares traded.

The Exchange has informed the Company that it has approved the Company's request to be removed from listing and registration on the Exchange.

This Application relates solely to the withdrawal from listing of the Company's Securities from the Exchange and shall have no effect upon the continued listing of such Securities on the NYSE. By reason of Section 12(b) of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission, the Company shall continue to be obligated to file reports under Section 13 of the Act with the Commission and the NYSE.

Any interested person may, on or before February 12, 1999, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Exchange and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

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

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC- 23661; File No. 812-11456]

MBL Life Assurance Corporation, et al.; Notice of Application

January 22, 1999.

AGENCY: The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

ACTION: Notice of application for an order pursuant to Section 26(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") approving a substitution of securities, and pursuant to Section 17(b) of the 1940 Act exempting related transactions from Section 17(a) of the 1940 Act.

Summary of Application: Applicants request an order to permit certain registered unit investment trusts to substitute shares of the Dreyfus Life and Annuity Index Fund, operating as Dreyfus Stock Index Fund for the shares of MBL Growth Fund, Inc. currently held by those unit investments trusts, and to permit certain in-kind redemptions of portfolio securities in connection with the substitutions.

Applicants: MBL Life Assurance Corporation ("MBLLAC") and MBL Variable Contract Account-2 ("VCA-2") and MBL Variable Contract Account-3 ("VCA-3," together with VCA-2, the "Separate Accounts").

Filing Date: The application was filed on January 7, 1999.

Hearing Or Notification Of Hearing: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Secretary of the Commission and serving Applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on February 12, 1999, and should be accompanied by proof of service on Applicants, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested.

Persons may request notification of a hearing by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Applicants, c/o Frank D. Casciano, Esq., Executive Vice President and General Counsel, MBL Life Assurance Corporation, 520 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102-3111; Copies to: Frank E. Morgan II, Esq., Dewey Ballantine LLP, 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10019.