

processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect to mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest, and not be designed to permit unfair discrimination between customers, issuers, brokers, or dealers.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

Nasdaq does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not:

(i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest;

(ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and

(iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed,¹³ or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹⁵ At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposal is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed

rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NASD. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NASD-00-52 and should be submitted by October 17, 2000.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁶

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD09-00-101]

Great Lakes Regional Waterways Management Forum

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: "The Great Lakes Regional Waterways Management Forum" will hold a meeting to discuss various waterways management issues. Agenda items will include updates on Great Lakes dredging and aquatic nuisance species issues; progress reports from Forum Subcommittees on Communications, Navigation Technologies, Outreach, Cruise Ships; reports from Forum members on Waterway User Conflicts, and discussions about the agenda for the next meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held October 10, 2000 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Comments must be submitted on or before October 9, 2000 to be considered at the meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the U.S. Coast Guard Club located on the U.S. Coast Guard Moorings, 1055 East Ninth Street, Cleveland, OH 44199. Any written comments and materials should be submitted to Commander (map), Ninth Coast Guard District, 1240 E. 9th Street, Room 2069, Cleveland, OH 44199.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: CDR Patrick Gerrity (map), Ninth Coast Guard District, OH 44199, telephone (216) 902-6049. Persons with disabilities requiring assistance to attend this meeting should contact CDR Gerrity.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Great Lakes Waterways Management Forum identifies and resolves waterways management issues that involve the Great Lakes region. The forum meets twice a year to assess the Great Lakes region, assign priorities to areas of concern and identify issues for resolution. The forum membership has identified agenda items for this meeting that include: updates on Great Lakes dredging and aquatic nuisance species issues; progress reports from Forum Subcommittees on Communications, Navigation Technologies, Outreach, Cruise Ships; reports from Forum members on Waterway User Conflicts, and discussions about the agenda for the next meeting. Additional topics of discussion are solicited from the public.

Dated: September 7, 2000.

G.S. Cope,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Ex Parte No. 290 (Sub No. 5) (2000-4)]

Quarterly Rail Cost Adjustment Factor

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Approval of rail cost adjustment factor.

SUMMARY: The Board has approved the fourth quarter 2000 rail cost adjustment factor (RCAF) and cost index filed by the Association of American Railroads. The fourth quarter 2000 RCAF (Unadjusted) is 1.062. The fourth quarter 2000 RCAF (Adjusted) is 0.589. The fourth quarter 2000 RCAF-5 is 0.567.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: H. Jeff Warren, (202) 565-1533. TDD for the hearing impaired: 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Additional information is contained in the Board's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: DA•TO•DA OFFICE SOLUTIONS, Room 405, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423-0001, telephone (202) 466-5530.

¹³ The Commission notes that the proposed rule change will not be effective until November 1, 2000. See footnote 8 and accompanying discussion.

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

[Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services 1-800-877-8339].

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or energy conservation.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), we conclude that our action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Decided: September 19, 2000.

By the Board, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Burkes, and Commissioner Clyburn.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 19, 2000.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 26, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BATF)

OMB Number: 1512-0017.

Form Number: ATF F 6 Part I (5330.3A).

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Application and Permit for Importation of Firearms, Ammunition and Implements of War.

Description: This information collected is needed to determine whether firearms, ammunition and implements of war are eligible for importation into the United States. Used to secure authorization to import such articles. All persons who desire to import such articles except for persons who are members of the United States Armed Forces.

Respondents: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit,

Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 4,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1512-0019.

Form Number: ATF Form 6A (5330.3C).

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Release and Receipt of Imported Firearms, Ammunition and Implements of War.

Description: This information collection is needed to verify importation of firearms, ammunition and implements of war. ATF Form 6A is completed by Federal firearms licensees, active duty military members, nonresident U.S. citizens returning to the U.S. and aliens immigrating to the United States.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 24 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 8,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1512-0119.

Form Number: ATF F 5200.14 (2149/2150).

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Notice of Removal of Tobacco Products, Cigarette Papers or Cigarette Tubes.

Description: Tobacco manufacturers or export warehouse proprietors are liable for tax on tobacco products removed from their premises. Tobacco products, cigarette papers and tubes may be removed without payment of tax, for specific and verifiable purposes. This form documents and verifies these removals.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 221.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 18,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1512-0162.

Form Number: ATF F 3067 (5210.9).

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Manufacturer of Tobacco Products.

Description: This form is necessary to determine the beginning and ending inventories of tobacco products manufacturer. The inventory is recorded

on this form by the proprietor and is used to determine tax liability, compliance with regulations and for protection.

Respondents: Business of other for-profit, Farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 34.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent: 5 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 170 hours.

OMB Number: 1512-0334.

Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5150/3.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Usual and Customary Business Records Relating to Tax-Free Alcohol.

Description: Tax-free alcohol is used for nonbeverage purposes by educational organizations, hospitals, laboratories, etc. Records maintain spirits accountability and protect tax revenue and public safety.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 4,560.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Recordkeeper: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Recordkeeping

Burden: 1 hour.

OMB Number: 1512-0336.

Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5150/2.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Letterhead Applications and Notices Relating Denatured Spirits.

Description: Denatured spirits are used for nonbeverage industrial purposes in the manufacture of personal/household products. Permits/Applications control the authorized uses and flow. Tax revenue and public safety is protected.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 3,111.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Recordkeeper: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Recordkeeping

Burden: 1,556 hours.

OMB Number: 1512-0358.

Recordkeeping Requirement ID Number: ATF REC 5210/1.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Tobacco Products Manufacturers—Records of Operations.

Description: Tobacco Products manufacturers must maintain a system of records that provide accountability over the tobacco products received and produced. Needed to ensure tobacco