

advocate (OCA), to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding. Pursuant to this designation, Mr. Gerarden will direct the activities of Commission personnel assigned to assist him and, upon request, will supply their names for the record. Neither Mr. Gerarden nor any of the assigned personnel will participate in or provide advice on any Commission decision in this proceeding. The OCA shall be separately served with three copies of all filings, in addition to and at the same time as, service on the Commission of the 24 copies required by Commission rule 10(d) [39 CFR 3001.10(d)].

Prehearing Conference

A prehearing conference will be held Friday, April 6, 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Commission's hearing room.

C. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes docket no. MC2001-1, preliminarily designated as Experimental Presorted Priority Mail Rate Categories, to consider the request referred to in the body of this order.

2. The Commission will sit en banc in this proceeding.

3. The deadline for filing notices of intervention is Tuesday, April 3, 2001.

4. Answers to the Service's motion for waiver of certain filing requirements are due no later than April 5, 2001.

5. Written discovery pursuant to rules 26-28 may be undertaken upon intervention.

6. The Service shall respond to discovery requests within 10 days.

7. A prehearing conference will be held Friday, April 6, 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Commission's hearing room.

8. Ted P. Gerarden, director of the Commission's office of the consumer advocate, is designated to represent the interests of the general public.

9. The acting secretary shall arrange for publication of this notice and order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Steven W. Williams,

Acting Secretary.

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POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIMES AND DATES: 10:30 am, Monday, April 2, 2001; 8:30 am, Tuesday, April 3, 2001; and 10 am, Tuesday, April 3, 2001.

PLACE: Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

STATUS: April 2 (Closed); April 3—8:30 am (Open); 10 am (Closed).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Monday, April 2—10:30 am (Closed)

1. Financial Performance.
2. Recovery of Prior Years' Losses.
3. FedEx Alliance.
4. Strategic Planning/Postal Reform.
5. Compensation Issues.
6. Personnel Matters.

Tuesday, April 3—8:30 am (Open)

1. Minutes of the Previous Meetings, March 1, and March 5-7, 2001.
2. Remarks of the Postmaster General/Chief Executive Officer.
3. Fiscal Year 2000 Comprehensive Statement on Postal Operations.
4. Quarterly Report on Financial Results.
5. Borrowing Resolution.
6. Quarterly Report on Service Performance.
7. Remote Encoding Center Closings.
8. Tentative Agenda for the May 7-8, 2001, meeting in Washington, DC.

Tuesday, April 3—10 am (Closed)

1. Continuation of Monday's Closed Agenda.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: David G. Hunter, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

David G. Hunter,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-44061A; File No. SR-Phlx-01-16]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. Relating to Providing Compensation to Hearing Panelist

March 14, 2001.

Correction

In Release No. 34-44061, issued on March 9, 2001, the title described the filing incorrectly. The title is corrected to read as set forth above.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-44070; International Series Release No. 1248; File No. SR-Phlx-01-06]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Order Approving a Proposed Rule Change by the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. to Amend Rule 1063(a) and Options Floor Procedure Advices A-10 and C-1, Relating to Trading in Foreign Currency Options

March 13, 2001.

I. Introduction

On January 11, 2001, pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Phlx") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") a proposed rule change to provide an exception, limited only to foreign currency options ("FOCs"), from the requirement that a Registered Options Trader ("ROT") be present at the trading post in certain circumstances. The proposed rule change was published for comment and appeared in the **Federal Register** on January 26, 2001.³ The Commission received no comments on the proposal. This order approves the Phlx's proposed rule change.

II. Description of the Proposal

The Phlx is seeking approval of amendments to Phlx Rule 1063(a) ("Responsibilities of Floor Brokers"), Phlx Options Floor Procedure Advice A-10 ("Specialist Trading With Book"), and Phlx Options Floor Procedure Advice C-1 ("Ascertaining the Presence of ROTs in a Trading Crowd"). Phlx Rule 1063(a) provides that Options Floor Brokers shall ascertain that at least one ROT is present at the trading post before representing an order for execution. Phlx Options Floor Procedure Advice A-10 provides that in any instance where a Specialist wishes to participate as principal in a trade with an order placed on that Specialist's

¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4

³ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 43864 (January 19, 2001), 66 FR 7947 (January 26, 2001) (SR-Phlx-01-06).