

increase as a result of denying this amendment request. If this amendment request was denied, the licensee would be required to ship the contaminated soils in smaller containers. Increasing the number of shipments would not affect the assessment of environmental impacts or the conclusions in the Final Environmental Impact Statement on the Transportation of Radioactive Material by Air and Other Modes (NRC, 1977).

Denial of this amendment will result in a larger number of shipments, therefore, a slight increase in nonradiological truck emissions from transportation would be expected.

The occupational health impacts would not change significantly as a result of denial of this amendment request. The workers at the facility will have the same dose regardless of how the material is transported. Occupational doses at the facility may change slightly as a result of the increase in the number of packages that workers must prepare and handle; however, the facility will continue to implement NRC-approved radiation safety procedures for handling radioactive materials.

3.2 Effluent Releases, Environmental Monitoring, Water Resources, Geology, Soils, Air Quality, Demography, Biota, Cultural and Historic Resources

Alternative 1

The NRC staff has determined that the approval of the proposed amendment will not impact effluent releases, environmental monitoring, water resources, geology, soils, air quality, demography, biota, or cultural or historic resources under normal transport conditions.

Alternative 2

The NRC staff has determined that denial of the proposed amendment will not impact effluent releases, environmental monitoring, water resources, geology, soils, air quality, demography, biota, or cultural or historic resources at or near the Westinghouse site.

3.3 Conclusions

Based on its review, the NRC staff has concluded that the environmental impacts associated with the proposed action are not significant and, therefore, do not warrant denial of the license amendment request. The staff has determined that Alternative 1, approval of the license amendment request as submitted, is the appropriate alternative for selection. Based on an evaluation of the environmental impacts of the amendment request, the NRC has

determined that the proper action is to issue a FONSI in the **Federal Register**.

4.0 Agencies and Persons Contacted

The NRC provided the draft Environmental Assessment and FONSI to staff from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on November 21, 2001. NRC staff provided the licensee's exemption request and NRC's Safety Evaluation Report supporting the exemption. NRC staff also participated in a conference call with the DNR staff on February 15, 2002. No comments were received from DNR on the Environmental Assessment and FONSI.

Because the proposed action is entirely within existing facilities or existing roadways, the NRC has concluded that there is no potential to affect endangered species or historic resources, and therefore consultation with the State Historic Preservation Society and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was not necessary.

5.0 References

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), December 1977, "Final Environmental Impact Statement on the Transportation of Radioactive Material by Air and Other Modes."

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), March 1994, "Environmental Assessment for Renewal of Special Nuclear Material License SNM-33."

Finding of No Significant Impact

The Commission has prepared the above Environmental Assessment related to the amendment of Special Nuclear Material License SNM-33. On the basis of the assessment, the Commission has concluded that environmental impacts associated with the proposed action would not be significant and do not warrant the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. Accordingly, it has been determined that a Finding of No Significant Impact is appropriate.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," the Environmental Assessment and the documents related to this proposed action will be available electronically for public inspection from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

The NRC contact for this licensing action is Mary Adams, who may be contacted at (301) 415-7249 or by e-mail at mta@nrc.gov for more information about the licensing action.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of March, 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Director, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc. (Aon Corporation, Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value); File No. 1-7933

April 4, 2002.

Aon Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,² to withdraw its Common Stock, \$1.00 par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc. ("CHX" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of CHX Article XXVII, Rule 4 by complying with all applicable laws in effect in the state of Delaware, in which it is incorporated, and with the CHX's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration. The Issuer will continue to list the Security on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing on the CHX and shall not affect its listing on the NYSE or its registration under Section 12(b) of the Act.³

On February 12, 2002, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer approved a resolution to withdraw the Issuer's Security from listing on the CHX. The Board made the decision to withdraw the Security from the CHX due to low trading volume.

Any interested person may, on or before April 26, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the CHX and what terms, if any,

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78j(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

³ 15 U.S.C. 78L(b).

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.⁴

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the Pacific Exchange, Inc. (Progress Energy, Inc., Common Stock, No Par Value) File No. 1-15929

April 4, 2002.

Progress Energy, Inc., a North Carolina corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,² to withdraw its Common Stock, no par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the Pacific Exchange, Inc. ("PCX" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has complied with PCX Rule 5.4(b) that governs the removal of securities from listing and registration on the Exchange. In making the decision to withdraw the Security from listing and registration on the PCX, the Issuer considered the direct and indirect costs associated with maintaining dual listings. The Issuer stated in its application that it will maintain its listing on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing on the PCX and shall not affect its listing on the NYSE or registration under Section 12(b) of the Act.³

Any interested person may, on or before April 26, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the PCX 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.⁴

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the American Stock Exchange LLC To Amend Commentary .02(c) of Rule 901C To Include Volume Weighted Average Pricing as a Permissible Index Option Settlement Value Calculation Methodology

April 4, 2002.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on March 5, 2002, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Amex proposes to amend Commentary .02(c) of Amex Rule 901C to add volume weighted average pricing ("VWAP") as a permissible index option settlement value calculation methodology. The text of the proposed rule change is below. Proposed new language is in italics.

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Designation of Stock Index Options

Rule 901C

(a)-(c) No change.

Commentary

.01 No change.

.02 The Exchange has received approval, pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), to list options on stock industry index groups pursuant to Rule 19b-4(e) of the Act provided each of the following criteria are satisfied:

(a) No change.

(b) No change.

(c) Expiration and Settlement—Options on an index established pursuant to this Commentary will be cash settled and the index value for purposes of settling a specific index option will be calculated based upon *either* the primary exchange regular way opening sale prices for the component stocks *or the primary exchange regular way opening sale prices for components listed on a national securities exchange and volume weighted average prices for component stocks listed on NASDAQ/NMS.*

(d) No change.

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II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to amend Commentary .02(c) to Amex Rule 901C to add VWAP as a permissible index option settlement value calculation methodology. Currently, Commentary .02(c) of Amex Rule 901C provides that index settlement values are determined by using the regular way opening sale price for each of an index's component stocks in its primary market on the last trading day prior to expiration.³ Unlike exchange-listed securities where there is a market opening price at which all

³ See, e.g., Securities Exchange Act Release No. 36283 (September 26, 1995), 60 FR 51825 (October 3, 1995) (SR-Amex-95-26) (order approving the listing and trading of options on the Morgan Stanley High Technology 35 Index).

⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78j(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

³ 15 U.S.C. 781(b).

⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.