

registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in effect in the state of Delaware, in which it is incorporated, and with the Amex's rules governing an issuer's voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration. The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing on the Amex and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act,³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer unanimously approved a resolution on April 30, 2002 to withdraw the Issuer's Security from listing on the Amex and trade its Security on the Nasdaq National Market. In making the decision to withdraw its Security from the Amex, the Board states that trading on the Nasdaq National Market will provide increased exposure among its investors and improve the liquidity of its Security. The Board also believes it is in the best interest of the Company's stockholders.

Any interested person may, on or before August 30, 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 Amex 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.⁵

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the

Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meetings during the week of August 19, 2002:

Closed Meetings will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2002 at 10 a.m., and Thursday, August 22, 2002 at 10 a.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meetings. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (5), (7), (8), (9)(B), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), (8), (9)(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meetings.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 20, 2002, will be:

Formal orders of investigation;
Institution and settlement of injunctive actions; and
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2002, will be:

Formal orders of investigation;
Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature;
Regulatory matter regarding a financial institution; and Opinion.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: August 13, 2002.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-46331; File No. SR-Amex-2002-67]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change by American Stock Exchange LLC Relating to Fees for Transactions in Nasdaq Securities Traded on an Unlisted Basis

August 9, 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 June 28, 2002, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Amex. 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 suspend Exchange transaction charges in Nasdaq securities admitted to dealings on an unlisted basis for trades effected on the Amex through September 30, 2002.

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 Amex included statements concerning the purpose of, and the 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 Amex 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 is suspending all transaction charges for Amex trades in Nasdaq listed securities admitted to dealings on an unlisted basis through September 30, 2002. The Exchange believes that a suspension of transaction charges at the inception of the Exchange's program to trade Nasdaq

³ 15 U.S.C. 78j(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78j(g).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

securities is appropriate to enhance the competitiveness of Amex executions.³

2. Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with section 6(b) of the Act⁴ in general and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)⁵ in particular in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its member, issuers and other persons using its facilities.

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

The proposed fee change will impose no burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

The foregoing proposed rule change has become effective upon filing pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act⁶ and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4⁷ thereunder, because it establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge. At any time within 60 days of the filing date, 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 proposed rule change 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 Exchange. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Amex-2002-67 and should be submitted by September 5, 2002.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-46321; File No. SR-CHX-2001-32]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 by the Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc., To Amend CHX Article XX, Rule 37 Governing Automatic Execution of Market and Marketable Limit Orders

August 7, 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 December 26, 2001, the Chicago Stock Exchange, Inc. ("CHX" 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. On June 19, 2002, the CHX amended the proposal.³ The CHX again amended the proposed rule change on July 26, 2002.⁴

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See June 18, 2002 letter from Kathleen M. Boege, Associate General Counsel, CHX, to Nancy J. Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, and attachments ("Amendment No. 1"). Amendment No. 1 completely replaced and superseded the original filing.

⁴ See July 25, 2002 letter from Kathleen M. Boege, Associate General Counsel, CHX, to Nancy J. Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, and attachments ("Amendment No. 2"). Amendment No. 2 completely replaced and superseded Amendment No. 1. Thus, the CHX is soliciting comment on Amendment No. 2.

The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as amended, from interested persons.

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

The Exchange proposes to amend CHX Article XX, Rule 37, which governs, among other things, automatic execution of market and marketable limit orders. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Commission and at the CHX.

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 CHX Article XX, Rule 37, which governs, among other things, automatic execution of market and marketable limit orders. The proposed rule change is intended to provide CHX order-sending firms with greater flexibility relating to automatic execution of orders by CHX specialists. The principal components of the proposed rule change are: (a) In the case of Dual Trading System issues, commonly referred to as listed issues, permitting immediate execution (or execution in 15 seconds or less) of orders if there is no expression of market interest by a person physically present at the specialist's post; and (b) refinement of existing CHX algorithms relating to automatic execution of partial orders and price improvement of such orders.

Addition of Variable AutoEx to MAX Trading System for Dual Trading System Issues. The CHX proposes to amend CHX Article XX, Rule 37(b)(6), which governs automatic execution of orders for Dual Trading System issues. The CHX filed the proposed rule change to respond to the needs of order-sending firms that have guaranteed their

³ Amex issued a circular (02-0610 dated August 6, 2002) stating that these fees will be waived through September 30, 2002.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).