

the terms of any such loan, the obligation of NSCC to return any items of pledged collateral to its members or to permit substitutions and withdrawals thereof remains unaffected.

NSCC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to NSCC because it will assist NSCC in maintaining a committed end-of-day line of credit to facilitate completion of daily money settlement and as such will assist NSCC to assure the safeguarding of securities and funds which are in its custody or control or for which it is responsible.

(B) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

NSCC perceives no adverse impact on competition by reason of the proposed rule change.

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

Comments from NSCC members or others have not been solicited or received on the proposed rule change.

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

Within thirty five days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to ninety days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

- (a) By order approve the proposed rule change or
- (b) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

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. Comments may also be submitted electronically at the following e-mail address: rule-comments@sec.gov. All comment letters should refer to File No.

to the Corporation or other obligations, secured by such collateral, are unpaid and outstanding."

SR-NSCC-2003-08. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help us process and review comments more efficiently, comments should be sent in hardcopy or by e-mail but not by both methods. 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 Section, 450 Fifth Street NW., Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NSCC. All submissions should refer to the File No. SR-NSCC-2003-08 and should be submitted by June 11, 2003.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

J. Lynn Taylor,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3500]

State of Alabama; (Amendment #1)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective May 13, 2003, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to include Barbour, Bullock, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Macon, Randolph, Russell and Tallapoosa Counties in the State of Alabama as disaster areas due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding occurring on May 5, 2003 and continuing.

In addition, applications for economic injury loans from small businesses located in the contiguous counties of Dale, Elmore, Franklin, Henry, Montgomery and Pike in the State of Alabama; Carroll, Chatahoochee, Clay, Floyd, Haralson, Harris, Heard, Muscogee, Polk, Quitman, Stewart and Troup Counties in the State of Georgia; Tishomingo County in the State of

Mississippi; and Giles, Hardin, Lawrence and Wayne Counties in the State of Tennessee may be filed until the specified date at the previously designated location. All other counties contiguous to the above named primary county have been previously declared.

The economic injury number assigned to Mississippi is 9V3400.

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is July 11, 2003, and for economic injury the deadline is February 12, 2004.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008).

Dated: May 14, 2003.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3496]

State of Kansas; (Amendment #1)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective May 14, 2003, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to include Anderson, Douglas, Osage, and Woodson Counties in the State of Kansas as disaster areas due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes and flooding occurring on May 4, 2003 and continuing.

In addition, applications for economic injury loans from small businesses located in the contiguous counties of Coffey, Greenwood, Lyon, Shawnee and Wabaunsee in the State of Kansas may be filed until the specified date at the previously designated location. All other counties contiguous to the above named primary county have been previously declared.

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is July 7, 2003, and for economic injury the deadline is February 6, 2004.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008).

Dated: May 15, 2003.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).