

either \$.01 or a percentage of the PACE Quote when the order is received.⁶ Specialists may choose to offer API in each individual specialty security. If a specialist offers API in an individual security, then the specialist must offer it to all customers and all eligible market orders in that security. Participation in the API program and PACE is voluntary.

Currently, API is not available to certain buy orders if the execution price of those buy orders would be on a minus or zero-minus tick.⁷ The Exchange has proposed to amend Supplementary Material .07 to Phlx Rule 229 to modify the Exchange's API program to allow specialists to choose to improve buy orders in securities that are exempted from or otherwise not subject to the "tick" requirements of the Short Sale Rule.⁸

III. Discussion

After careful review, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange.⁹ In particular, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with section 6(b)(5) of the Act,¹⁰ which requires, among other things, that the rules of an exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market, and to protect investors and the public interest. The Commission believes that expanding the types of securities that may receive API to include those securities that are not subject to the "tick" requirements of the Short Sale Rule should allow customers to receive more opportunities for price improvement.

The Exchange has stated that it will issue a regulatory circular informing its members which securities are currently exempt from the "tick" requirements of the Short Sale Rule and thus available for API under the rule change. At this time, securities that trade on the Exchange that the Commission has exempted from the "tick" requirements of the Short Sale Rule include

⁶ See Supplementary Material .07 to Phlx Rule 229.

⁷ See Supplementary Material .07(c)(i)(A) to Phlx Rule 229.

⁸ 17 CFR 240.10a-1.

⁹ In approving this proposed rule change, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

Exchange-Traded Funds ("ETFs")¹¹ and certain Trust Issued Receipts ("TIRs").¹²

IV. Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act,¹³ that the proposed rule change (SR-Phlx-2003-25) is approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3505]

State of Illinois

(Amendment #2)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective June 3, 2003, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to include Union County as a disaster area due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes and flooding occurring on May 6 through May 11, 2003.

In addition, applications for economic injury loans from small businesses located in the contiguous county of Jackson in the State of Illinois; and Perry County in the State of Missouri may be filed until the specified date at the previously designated location. All other counties contiguous to the above named primary counties have been previously declared.

¹¹ See, e.g., letter from James A. Brigagliano, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation ("Division"), Commission, to Claire P. McGrath, Vice President, Amex, dated August 17, 2001 ("Amex Letter"); letter from Nancy J. Sanow, Assistant Director, Division, Commission, to James F. Duffy, General Counsel, Amex, dated January 22, 1993 (regarding SPDRs listed on the Amex); letter from James A. Brigagliano, Assistant Director, Division, Commission, to James F. Duffy, General Counsel, Amex, dated March 3, 1999 (regarding QQQs listed on the Amex).

¹² See letter from James A. Brigagliano, Assistant Director, Division, Commission, to Janet L. Fisher, Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, dated March 19, 2002 (regarding the Biotech Basket Opportunity Exchangeable Securities series ("BOXES") traded on the Amex and Phlx). In order to be exempt from the Short Sale Rule, a TIR must meet certain size, concentration, and ADTV criteria.

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

All other information remains the same, i.e., the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is July 14, 2003, and for economic injury the deadline is February 17, 2004.

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

Dated: June 4, 2003.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3496]

State of Kansas

(Amendment #2)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective May 22, 2003, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to include Haskell, Meade and Seward 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 Clark, Finney, Ford, Grant, Gray, Kearny and Stevens in the State of Kansas; and Beaver and Texas Counties in the State of Oklahoma may be filed until the specified date at the previously designated location. All other counties contiguous to the above named primary counties 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 23, 2003.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL

Proposed Information Collection Activities; Request for Comment

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Special Counsel.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), and implementing regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, this is the second Federal Register notice published by the U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) about proposed information collection activities, consisting of two forms for the collection of information pursuant to OSC regulations at 5 CFR 1800.1 (Filing complaint of prohibited personnel practices or other prohibited activities) and 5 CFR 1800.2 (Filing disclosures of information). OSC is requesting approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend the use of two previously approved information collections: (1) Form OSC-11 (Complaint of Possible Prohibited Personnel Practice or Other Prohibited Activity); and (2) Form OSC-12 (Disclosure of Information), as revised. Both forms to be submitted include minor technical edits previously approved by OMB. Form OSC-11 (complaint form) also includes: (1) revisions to three consent statements in the form; (2) the addition of information on OSC's jurisdiction over employees of the Transportation Security Administration; (3) revision of the format of the cover sheet providing information on how to file a complaint; and (4) revision of the format for providing information on disclosures alleged to have been the basis for whistleblower retaliation. OMB's current approval for these collections of information expires on August 31, 2003.

On March 10, 2003, notice of this request for OMB approval with a request for public comment was published in the Federal Register at 68 FR 11442. The notice and the proposed forms were also posted on OSC's Web site (at <http://www.osc.gov>) on March 10, 2003. No comments on these information collections were received.

Federal employees, other federal agencies, and the general public are invited to comment on OSC's information collection activities relating to possible prohibited employment practices and whistleblower disclosures. **DATES:** Comments should be received on or before July 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget, 725 Seventeenth Street, NW, Attention: Desk Officer for U.S. Office of Special Counsel, Washington, DC 20503. A copy of any comments should also be sent to Kathryn Stackhouse, General Law Counsel, Legal Counsel and Policy Division, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, 1730 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036-4505.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the collections of information and supporting documentation are available from Kathryn Stackhouse, General Law Counsel, Legal Counsel and Policy Division, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, Planning and Advice Division, 1730 M Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20036-4505; telephone (202) 653-8971; facsimile (202) 653-5151.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comment is requested on the following two collections of information:

1. *Title of Collection:* Complaint of Possible Prohibited Personnel Practice or Other Prohibited Activity.

Agency Form Number: OSC-11 (OMB Control Number 3255-0002).

Summary of the Collection of Information: This complaint form is required for use by current and former Federal employees and applicants for Federal employment, under 5 CFR 1800.1, to submit allegations of possible prohibited personnel practices or other prohibited activity for investigation and possible prosecution by OSC, except for allegations involving the Hatch Act, which may be submitted by providing the information described at 5 CFR 1800.1.

Need for Information and Proposed Use: This information is needed by OSC to investigate and seek any appropriate remedies for allegations of prohibited personnel practices and other prohibited activity, pursuant to its statutory authority at 5 U.S.C. 1211, *et seq.*

Likely Respondents: Current and former federal employees, and applicants for federal employment.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 1771.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2214 hours.

2. *Title of Collection:* Disclosure of Information.

Agency Form Number: OSC-12 (OMB Control Number 3255-0002).

Summary of the Collection of Information: This form is intended for use by current and former federal employees, and applicants for federal employment, in making whistleblower disclosures of violations of any law, rule, or regulation; gross mismanagement; a gross waste of funds; an abuse of authority; or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety.

Need for Information and Proposed Use: This information is needed by OSC to review whistleblower disclosures of

wrongdoing in federal agencies, and to refer disclosures in appropriate cases to the head of the agency involved for investigation, pursuant to its statutory authority at 5 U.S.C. 1211, *et seq.*

Likely Respondents: Current and former federal employees, and applicants for federal employment.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 475.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Annual Burden: 475 hours.

The two proposed forms described above are available on OSC's Web site (at <http://www.osc.gov>). Consistent with §§ 1703 and 1705 of the Government Paperwork Elimination Act, Public Law 105-277, Title XVII, OSC plans to provide submitters with the option of filing complaints and disclosures electronically, after completion of the necessary planning and implementation measures, no later than October 21, 2003.

Dated: June 2, 2003.

William E. Reukauf,

Acting Special Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4381]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "Marc Chagall"

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition "Marc Chagall," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to a loan agreement with the foreign owner. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco, CA from on or about July 26, 2003 to on or about November 4, 2003, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined,