

Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation, Docket No. 50-482, Wolf Creek Generating Station, Coffey County, Kansas

Date of amendment request: October 17, 2003.

Brief description of amendment: The amendment revises Technical Specification (TS) Section 5.5.6, "Containment Tendon Surveillance Program," for consistency with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(4) for components classified as Code Class CC. The amendment also deletes the provisions of Surveillance Requirement (SR) 3.0.2 from this TS. In addition, the amendment revises TS 5.5.16, "Containment Leakage Rate Testing Program," to add exceptions to Regulatory Guide 1.163, "Performance-Based Containment Leak-Testing Program."

Date of issuance: March 17, 2004.

Effective date: March 17, 2004, and shall be implemented within 90 days from the date of issuance.

Amendment No.: 152.

Facility Operating License No. NPF-42: The amendment revised the Technical Specifications.

Date of initial notice in Federal Register: November 12, 2003 (68 FR 64140).

The Commission's related evaluation of the amendment is contained in a Safety Evaluation dated March 17, 2004.

No significant hazards consideration comments received: No.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of April 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Ledyard B. Marsh,

Director, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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—(5 U.S.C. 552(a))

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 31st day of March 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Ashok C. Thadani,

Director, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 1-31703]

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application of Essex Corporation, To Withdraw Its Common Stock, No Par Value, From Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC

April 7, 2004.

Essex Corporation, a Virginia 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 American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The Board of Directors ("Board") of the Issuer approved a resolution on March 15, 2004 to withdraw the Issuer's Security from listing on the Amex and to list the Security on Nasdaq National Market System ("Nasdaq NMS"). The Board states that the reasons it is taking such action are to offer shareholders a broader market, including liquidity and increased visibility. The Issuer expects to trade the Security on the Nasdaq NMS on March 31, 2004.

The Issuer stated in its application that it has met the requirements of Amex Rule 18 by complying with all applicable laws in the State of Virginia, 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 withdrawal of the Securities from listing on the Amex and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴ Any interested person may, on or before April 30, 2004, 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. All comment letters should refer to File No. 1-31703. Comments may also be submitted electronically at the following e-mail address: rule-comments@sec.gov. The

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78l(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

³ 15 U.S.C. 781(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 781(g).

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

[File No. 500-1]

Whispering Oaks International, Inc., D/b/a BioCurex, Inc.; Order of Suspension of Trading

April 8, 2004.

It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that there is a lack of current and accurate information concerning the securities of Whispering Oaks International, d/b/a BioCurex, Inc. ("BioCurex"), because of questions regarding the accuracy of assertions by BioCurex and by others, in press releases and e-mails to investors concerning, among other things, (1) a study confirming the effectiveness of its primary product and (2) approval of its main product by the Food and Drug Administration.

The Commission is of the opinion that the public interest and the protection of investors require a suspension of trading in the securities of the above listed company.

Therefore, it is ordered, pursuant to section 12(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that trading in the above listed company is suspended for the period from 3 p.m. EDT on April 8, 2004 through 11:59 p.m. EDT on April 22, 2004.

By the Commission.

J. Lynn Taylor,
Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-49529; File No. SR-CHX-2004-04]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule by the Chicago Stock Exchange, Incorporated, To Revise Its Article VI, Rule 5 To Correct a Reference to the Form Used for the Registration of New Branch Offices

April 6, 2004.

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 January 7, 2004, the Chicago Stock Exchange, Incorporated ("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. 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

This proposal would update the reference to a form used by certain CHX member firms for the registration of new branch offices. The text of the proposed rule change is set forth below. Proposed new language is in *italics*; proposed deletions are in [brackets].

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Chicago Stock Exchange Rules Article VI Restrictions and Requirements

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Supervision of Members and Member Organizations and Their Branch and Resident Offices

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Rule 5. No change to text.

* * * Interpretations and Policies

.01 Registration of new branch offices.—

Outlined below are the steps to be taken when registering new branch offices.

(1) *Each member organization must forward a[A] completed Schedule E to Form BD [MW-B form will be forwarded] to the Exchange.*

(2) Before approval of the branch office is granted, the office manager or the registered representative in charge

must have completed the Exchange requirements for registration.

The office may begin operating as a branch on receipt of written approval from the Exchange.

(3) Firms that are also members of the New York Stock Exchange are not subject to these requirements. However, New York Stock Exchange members will be required to notify the Exchange in writing of any openings and closings of a branch office, along with the name of the office manager.

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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 CHX included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received regarding the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The CHX 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

Under the Exchange's rules, a member firm for which the Exchange is the designated examining authority must notify the Exchange before opening a new branch office.³ The Exchange's rules currently require that a firm provide this notice by completing and submitting a MW-B form.

The Exchange represents, however, that it currently asks its member firms to submit Schedule E to Form BD for that purpose. The proposed rule would correct the reference to the form in its Article VI, Rule 5 and would make other non-substantive changes to the text.

2. Statutory Basis

The CHX believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,⁴ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁵ in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market

³ See CHX Rule 5 of Article VI.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).