

and regulations thereunder, applicable to a national securities exchange,⁶ and, in particular, with the requirements of section 6(b) of the Act⁷ and the rules and regulations thereunder. The Commission finds that the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with section 6(b)(4) of the Act,⁸ which requires that the rules of the Exchange provide for the equitable allocation or reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities. The Commission believes that the extension of the Linkage fee pilot until July 31, 2005 will give the Exchange and the Commission further opportunity to evaluate whether such fees are appropriate.

The Commission finds good cause, pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁹ for approving the proposed rule change, as amended, prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of the notice of the filing thereof in the **Federal Register**. The Commission believes that granting accelerated approval will preserve the Exchange's existing pilot program for Linkage fees without interruption as the PCX and the Commission further consider the appropriateness of Linkage fees.

V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act¹⁰ that the proposed rule change, as amended, (SR-PCX-2004-68) is hereby approved on an accelerated basis for a pilot period to expire on July 31, 2005.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹¹

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Economic Injury Disaster #9ZN2]

State of Alaska

Fairbanks North Star Borough and the Alaska Gateway Regional Education Attendance Area (REAA) and the contiguous areas of Denali Borough, Copper River REAA, Delta/Greely REAA, Yukon Flats REAA, and the

Yukon-Koyukuk REAA in the State of Alaska constitute an economic injury disaster area as a result of wildfires that began on June 7, 2004, and continue to burn. The wildfires were caused by lightning strikes, hot temperatures, low humidity, winds and prevailing dry conditions and have caused businesses to suffer substantial economic losses due to smoke and road closures. Eligible small businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere may file applications for economic injury assistance for this disaster until the close of business on April 22, 2005, at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 4 Office, P.O. Box 419004, Sacramento, CA 95610.

The interest rate for eligible small businesses and small agricultural cooperatives is 2.750 percent.

The number assigned for economic injury for this disaster is 9ZN200.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 59002.)

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Hector V. Barreto,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster # 3599]

State of Maryland

Cecil County and the contiguous counties of Harford and Kent in the State of Maryland; New Castle County in the State of Delaware; and Chester and Lancaster Counties in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania constitute a disaster area as a result of flooding that occurred on July 12 and 13, 2004. Applications for loans for physical damage as a result of the disaster may be filed until the close of business on September 21, 2004 and for economic injury until the close of business on April 25, 2005 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 1 Office, 360 Rainbow Blvd., South 3rd Floor, Niagara Falls, NY 14303.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere	5.750
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.875

	Percent
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere	5.500
Businesses and Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.750
Others (Including Non-Profit Organizations) With Credit Available Elsewhere	4.875
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses and Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.750

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 359906 for Maryland, 360006 for Delaware, and 360106 for Pennsylvania. The number assigned to this disaster for economic injury is 9ZM800 for Maryland, 9ZM900 for Delaware, and 9ZN100 for Pennsylvania.

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

Dated: July 23, 2004.

Hector V. Barreto,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3595]

State of Michigan; Amendment #1

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency—effective July 22, 2004, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to include Eaton, Muskegon, Saginaw, and Washtenaw Counties as disaster areas due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding occurring on May 20 and continuing through May 24, 2004.

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

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is August 30, 2004, and for economic injury the deadline is March 30, 2005.

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

⁶In approving this rule, the Commission notes that it has considered its impact on efficiency, competition and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Dated: July 26, 2004.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Small Business Size Standards: Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice of intent to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Sporting and Athletic Goods Manufacturing.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is considering granting a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Sporting and Athletic Goods Manufacturing. The basis for waivers is that no small business manufacturers are supplying these classes of products to the Federal government. The effect of a waiver would be to allow otherwise qualified regular dealers to supply the products of any domestic manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses or awarded through the SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program.

DATES: Comments and sources must be submitted on or before August 13, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edith Butler, Program Analyst, by telephone at (202) 619-0422; by FAX at (202) 205-7280; or by e-mail at edith.butler@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 8(a)(17) of the Small Business Act, (Act)15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17), requires that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses or SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor of the product. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule. The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406(b). Section 8(a)(17)(b)(iv) of the Act authorizes SBA to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors available to participate in the Federal market.

As implemented in SBA's regulations at 13 CFR 121.1204, in order to be considered available to participate in the Federal market for a class of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a

contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines "class of products" based on six digit coding systems. The first coding system is the Office of Management and Budget North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). The second is the Product and Service Code established by the Federal Procurement Data System.

The SBA received a request on June 29, 2004 to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Sporting and Athletic Goods Manufacturing. In response, SBA is currently processing a request to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Sporting and Athletic Goods Manufacturing, North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 339920. The public is invited to comment or provide source information to SBA on the proposed waiver of the nonmanufacturer rule for this NAICS code.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(17).

Dated: July 22, 2004.

Barry S. Meltz,

Acting Associate Administrator for Government Contracting.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages that will require clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Pub. L. 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. The information collection packages that may be included in this notice are for new information collections, approval of existing information collections, revisions to OMB-approved information collections, and extensions (no change) of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments and recommendations regarding the information collection(s) should be submitted to the OMB Desk Officer and the SSA Reports Clearance Officer. The information can be mailed

and/or faxed to the individuals at the addresses and fax numbers listed below:

(OMB)

Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, New Executive Building, Room 10235, 725 17th St., NW, Washington, DC 20503, Fax: 202-395-6974.

(SSA)

Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Reports Clearance Officer, 1338 Annex Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410-965-6400.

I. The information collections listed below are pending at SSA and will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, your comments should be submitted to SSA within 60 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-0454 or by writing to the address listed above.

1. *Employee Identification Statement—20 CFR 404.702—0960-0473.* The information collected on Form SSA-4156 is needed in scrambled earnings situations when two or more individuals have used the same social security number (SSN), or when an employer (or employers) have reported earnings for two or more employees under the same SSN. The information on the form is used to help identify the individual (and the SSN) to whom the earnings belong. The respondents are employers who have reported erroneous wages.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 4,750.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Average Burden: 792 hours.

2. *The Census Bureau Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) on Behalf of the Social Security Administration (SSA)—0960-NEW.* SSA has requested the Census Bureau to include in its SIPP interviews scheduled for January 2005 a sample of social security disabled insurance beneficiaries and supplemental security income recipients. SSA will use these data to conduct statistical research of recipients of SSA-administered programs. The SIPP for SSA Beneficiaries is a household-based survey molded around a central "core" of labor force and income questions. The core is supplemented with questions designed to address specific needs, such as obtaining information about assets and liabilities, as well as