

Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 201: Personal Identity Verification for Federal Employees and Contractors) was issued on February 25, 2005 and can be found at: <http://www.csrc.nist.gov/piv-project/>.

The Director of the Office of Management and Budget was asked to ensure agency compliance with this Directive. This agency implementation guidance provides specific instructions to agency heads on how to implement the Directive and the Department of Commerce Standard (FIPS 201). To better inform your comments, first read FIPS 201.

On January 19, 2005 the General Services Administration, in partnership with the Department of Commerce and the Office of Management and Budget, held a public meeting to address the privacy and security concerns as they may affect individuals, including Federal employees and contractors as well as the public at large, in implementation. This meeting informed this implementation guidance.

Karen S. Evans,

Administrator for E-Government and Information Technology.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

Summary: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

Summary of Proposal(s):

- (1) *Collection title:* Medical Reports.
- (2) *Form(s) submitted:* G-3EMP, G-197, G-250, G-250a, G-260, RL-11b, RL-11d and RL-250.
- (3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0038.
- (4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* November 30, 2005.
- (5) *Type of request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.
- (6) *Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profit, Non-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal Government.
- (7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 35,900.
- (8) *Total annual responses:* 35,900.
- (9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 10,001.
- (10) *Collection description:* The Railroad Retirement Act provides disability annuities for qualified

railroad employees whose physical or mental condition renders them incapable of working in their regular occupation (occupational disability) or any occupation (total disability). The medical reports obtain information needed for determining the nature and severity of the impairment.

Additional Information or Comments: Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363) or Charles.Mierzwa@rrb.gov.

Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60611-2092 or Ronald.Hodapp@rrb.gov and to the OMB Desk Officer for the RRB, at the Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Charles Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: [70 FR 17270, April 5, 2005].

STATUS: Open meeting.

PLACE: 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC.

DATE AND TIME OF PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED MEETING: Wednesday, April 6, 2005 at 10 a.m.

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: Additional item.

The following item has been added to the open meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2005 as part of consideration of whether to adopt Regulation NMS:

In addition, the Commission will consider whether to adopt a technical amendment jointly with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to make conforming changes in the language of Rule 3a55-1 under the Exchange Act.

Commissioner Campos, as duty officer, determined that Commission business required the above change and that no earlier notice thereof was possible.

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: April 5, 2005.

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-51472; File No. SR-CBOE-2005-25]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change, and Amendment No. 1 Thereto, by the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated Relating to the Appointment of the Chairman and Members of CBOE's Regulatory Oversight Committee

April 4, 2005.

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 March 16, 2005, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE" 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 March 17, 2005, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ The Exchange has designated the proposed rule change, as amended, as "non-controversial" under Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder,⁵ which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the Commission. 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

CBOE proposes to amend CBOE Rule 2.1 pertaining to the appointment of the members and the chairman of CBOE's Regulatory Oversight Committee. Below is the text of the proposed rule change, as amended. Proposed new language is in *italics*.

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¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange revised Section III of Exhibit 1 to the proposal to set forth expressly the requirements contained in Rule 19b-4(f)(6) under the Act for the designation of the proposed rule change as "non-controversial."

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

**Chicago Board Options Exchange,
Incorporated****Rules**

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**CHAPTER II—ORGANIZATION AND
ADMINISTRATION****PART—A—COMMITTEES****Committees of the Exchange****Rule 2.1. Committees of the Exchange**

Rule 2.1(a) *Establishment of Committees.* In addition to committees specifically provided for in the Constitution, there shall be the following committees: Appeals, Arbitration, Business Conduct, appropriate Floor Procedure Committees, Floor Officials, appropriate Market Performance Committees, Membership, Product Development and such other committees as may be established in accordance with the Constitution. Except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the Rules, the Vice Chairman of the Board, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint the chairmen and members of such committees to serve for terms expiring at the first regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the next calendar year and until their successors are appointed or their earlier death, resignation or removal. Consideration shall be given to continuity and to having, where appropriate, a cross section of the membership represented on each committee. Except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the Rules, the Vice Chairman of the Board may, at any time, with or without cause, remove any member of such committees. Any vacancy occurring in one of these committees shall be filled by the Vice Chairman of the Board for the remainder of the term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Chairman of the Board, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint Directors to serve on the Governance Committee and the Regulatory Oversight Committee, whose members shall not be subject to removal except by the Board. The Chairman of the Governance Committee and the Chairman of the Regulatory Oversight Committee shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Board. Whenever the Vice Chairman of the Board is, or has reason to believe he may become, a party to any proceeding of an Exchange committee, he shall not exercise his power to appoint or remove members of that committee, and the Chairman of the Board shall have such power.

(b)–(d) No change.

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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 Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change, as amended, and discussed any comments it received on the proposal. The text of those 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 the
Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule
Change****1. Purpose**

The purpose of the proposed rule change, as amended, is to amend CBOE Rule 2.1 to provide that the Chairman of the Board shall have the authority to appoint the directors who will serve on CBOE's Regulatory Oversight Committee, and also to appoint the chairman of the Regulatory Oversight Committee.⁶ The Regulatory Oversight Committee is a standing committee of CBOE's Board of Directors, which generally oversees the independence and integrity of the regulatory functions of the Exchange, and seeks to ensure that the regulatory functions of the Exchange remain free from inappropriate influence. Pursuant to its Board approved charter, the Regulatory Oversight Committee is comprised solely of public directors.

The proposed amendment to CBOE Rule 2.1 granting to the Chairman of the Board the authority to appoint the members and the chairman of the Regulatory Oversight Committee is consistent with other provisions in CBOE's Constitution and rules which grant CBOE's Chairman of the Board the authority to appoint the members and chairman of other committees of the Board of Directors, such as the Audit, Compensation and Governance Committees.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change, as amended, is

⁶ Pursuant to Section 7.1 of CBOE's Constitution, CBOE's Vice Chairman has the authority to appoint the directors to serve on the Regulatory Oversight Committee and the chairman of such committee, except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or Rules.

consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b) of the Act,⁷ in general, and Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁸ in particular, in that the proposed rule change is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, remove impediments to and perfect the mechanisms of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change, as amended, will impose any burden on competition 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**

The Exchange neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change, as amended.

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

The Exchange asserts that the foregoing proposed rule change, as amended, has become effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹⁰ because it does not:

(i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest;

(ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and

(iii) become operative for 30 days from the date of filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest; provided that the self-regulatory organization has given the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the filing date of the proposed rule change.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, as amended, 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.¹¹

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹¹ For purposes of calculating the 60-day period within which the Commission may summarily abrogate the proposed rule change, as amended,

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-CBOE-2005-25 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2005-25. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). 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, as amended, 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 also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of CBOE. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-CBOE-2005-25 and should be submitted on or before April 29, 2005.

under Section 19(b)(3)(C) of the Act, the Commission considers the period to commence on March 17, 2005, the date on which the Exchange submitted Amendment No. 1. See 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(C).

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹²

Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs

[Public Notice 5041]

Preparation of Fourth U.S. Climate Action Report

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States is a Party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The Convention sets forth requirements for UNFCCC Parties to provide a national communication that lists the steps they are taking to implement the Convention. In particular, Parties are to provide: An inventory of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removal by sinks of all greenhouse gases not controlled by the Montreal Protocol; a detailed description of the policies and measures adopted to implement their commitments under the Convention; and estimates of the effects those policies and measures will have on emissions and sinks. Subsequent guidelines further elaborate the information that Parties are to submit periodically. The United States submitted the first U.S. Climate Action Report (USCAR) to the UNFCCC Secretariat in 1994, the second in 1997, and the third in 2002. The U.S. Government is currently preparing its fourth national communication, which is due to the UNFCCC secretariat no later than January 1, 2006. The purpose of this announcement is to notify interested members of the public of this process and to solicit contributions and input on the issues covered in the national communication for the purpose of preparing the report. The State Department intends to make available for public review a draft national communication in summer of 2005.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before noon, April 29, 2005.

ADDRESSES: To expedite their receipt, comments should be submitted via e-mail to: OESCommentsCAR4@state.gov.

Comments may also be submitted in hard copy to Mr. Graham M. Pugh, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Office of Global Change (Room 4330), 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Graham M. Pugh, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, Office of Global Change at (202) 647-4688.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Fourth United States Climate Action Report (CAR)

Articles 4.2 and 12 set forth initial requirements for national communications. Subsequently, Parties to the UNFCCC elaborated additional detailed guidelines relating to the content of the national communications. An overview of the reporting requirements is available from the UNFCCC Web site at: http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_natcom/items/1095.php, while details regarding preparation of the fourth national communication are at: http://unfccc.int/national_reports/annex_i_national_communications/fourth_national_communications/items/3360.php.

Guidelines specify chapter headings and the type of information that should be included in the report. Chapters are identified below.

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- IX. Education, Training, and Public Awareness

In keeping with UNFCCC guidelines, the Fourth CAR will provide an inventory of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions and sinks and an estimate of the effects of mitigation policies and measures on future emissions levels. It will describe domestic programs as well as U.S. involvement in international efforts, including technology programs and associated contributions and funding.

In addition, the text will include a discussion of U.S. national circumstances that affect U.S. vulnerability and responses to climate change. Information on the U.S. Climate

¹² 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).