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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

Summaary: 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:* Employer's Deemed Service Month Questionnaire.
(2) *Form(s) submitted:* GL–99.
(3) *OMB Number:* 3220–0156.
(4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 8/31/2006.
(5) *Type of request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.
(6) *Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.
(7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 150.
(8) *Total annual responses:* 4,000.
(9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 133.
(10) *Collection description:* Under Section 3(i) of the Railroad Retirement Act, the Railroad Retirement Board may deem months of service in cases where an employee does not actually work in every month of the year. The collection obtains service and compensation information from railroad employers needed to determine if an employee may be credited with additional months of railroad service.

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.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to the Prohibition Against the Entry of Multiple Options Orders

May 19, 2006.

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 May 8, 2006, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated the proposed rule change as constituting a "non-controversial" rule change under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act,[3] and Rule 19b–4(f)(6) thereunder,[4] which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the Commission.[5] 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

The Exchange proposes to revise Amex Rule 933—ANTE(e) prohibiting the entry via the Amex New Trading Environment system ("ANTE") of multiple orders for any account of the same beneficial owner in the same option within any fifteen (15) second period. The text of the proposed rule change appears below. Proposed deletions are in [brackets].

Rule 933—ANTE

Automatic Matching and Execution of Options Orders

(a)–(d) No change.
(e) The Options Trading Committee shall determine the size parameters of orders eligible for automatic matching and execution. The Committee may determine to set the eligible order size parameter in any option class as the disseminated quote size. [An automatic matching and execution eligible order

[1] 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).
[2] 17 CFR 240.19b–4.
[3] 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).
[4] 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6).
[5] The Amex has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay, as specified in Rule 19b–4(f)(6)(iii). 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(6)(iii).

for any account in which the same person is directly or indirectly interested may only be entered at intervals of no less than 15 seconds between entry of each such order in a call class and/or a put class for the same option. Members and member organizations are responsible for establishing procedures to prevent orders in a call class and/or a put class for the same option for any account in which the same person is directly or indirectly interested from being entered at intervals of less than 15 seconds.]
(f)–(g) No change.
Commentary * * * 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. The text of these 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 Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The Exchange proposes to revise Amex Rule 933—ANTE(e) in order to increase the number of orders handled through ANTE. Currently, Amex Rule 933—ANTE(e) prohibits the entry of multiple orders for any account of the same beneficial owner in the same option class within any fifteen (15) second period. The original purpose of the Rule in connection with the Exchange's Automatic Execution System ("Auto-Ex") [6] was to assist Exchange specialists and Registered Options Traders ("ROTs") in managing their risk of multiple executions of orders delivered in rapid succession. Prior to the introduction of ANTE, specialists and ROTs would find it very difficult to timely revise their quotations. As a result, the Exchange, as well as the other options exchanges, at that time adopted rules to prohibit the entry of multiple orders for any account of the same beneficial owner within fifteen (15) seconds. The purpose of the Rule was to protect investors and other market participants from the potential

[6] The Auto-Ex system was established to provide small customer orders with an immediate single price execution.