

between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. 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-FINRA-2007-040 and should be submitted on or before January 24, 2008.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; New York Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Relating to NYSE Rule 409(f)

December 27, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1)¹ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on December 21, 2007, the New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE” or the “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 substantially prepared by NYSE. NYSE has designated the proposed rule change as constituting a “non-controversial” rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)⁴ thereunder, which renders the proposal effective upon receipt of this filing by the Commission. 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 is to amend New York Stock Exchange Rule 409 (Statements of

Accounts to Customers) to delete the requirement that certain confirmations and reports include the name of the securities market on which a transaction is effected. The proposed rule change conforms NYSE’s version of NYSE Rule 409 to proposed amendments filed by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) to its version of NYSE Rule 409. Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is in italics; proposed deletions are in brackets.

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Rule 409. Statements of Accounts to Customers

(a) through (e) No change.

(f) Confirmation of all transactions (including those made “over-the-counter” and on other exchanges) in securities admitted to dealings on the Exchange, sent by members or member organizations to their customers, shall [indicate] *clearly set forth with a suitable legend* the settlement date of each transaction [and bear the name of the securities market on which the transaction was made]. This requirement also applies to confirmations or reports from an organization to a correspondent, but does not apply to reports made by floor brokers to the member organization from whom the orders were received.

[All confirmations shall contain a suitable legend clearly setting forth all required information.]

(g) 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 self-regulatory organization included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The self-regulatory organization 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

On July 30, 2007, NASD and NYSE Regulation, Inc. consolidated their member firm regulation operations into

a combined organization, FINRA.⁵ Pursuant to FINRA’s new regulatory responsibilities, FINRA amended FINRA’s NYSE Rule 409 to delete the requirement that certain confirmations and reports include the name of the securities market on which a transaction is effected. The NYSE is proposing to amend its version of NYSE Rule 409 to conform to FINRA’s NYSE Rule 409.

As noted in Item 2 of this filing, the operative date of the proposed rule change is January 1, 2008, which is the operative date of FINRA’s identical amendments to its version of Rule 409.

2. Statutory Basis

The basis under the Act for this proposed rule change is the requirement under Section 6(b)(5)⁶ that an Exchange have rules that are 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 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 will impose any burden on competition that is 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 has neither solicited nor received written comments on the proposed rule change.

⁵ Pursuant to Rule 17d-2 under the Exchange Act, NYSE, NYSE Regulation, Inc., and NASD entered into an agreement (the “Agreement”) to reduce regulatory duplication for firms that are members of FINRA and also members of NYSE on or after July 30, 2007 (“Dual Members”), by allocating to FINRA certain regulatory responsibilities for selected NYSE rules. The Agreement includes a list of all of those rules (“Common Rules”) for which FINRA has assumed regulatory responsibilities. See Securities and Exchange Act Release No. 56148 (July 26, 2007), 72 FR 42146 (August 1, 2007) (Notice of Filing and Order Approving and Declaring Effective a Plan for the Allocation of Regulatory Responsibilities). The Common Rules are the same NYSE rules that FINRA has incorporated into its rulebook. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56418 (July 26, 2007), 72 FR 42146 (August 1, 2007) (Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change to Incorporate Certain NYSE Rules Relating to Member Firm Conduct; File No. SR-NASD-2007-054). Paragraph 2(b) of the 17d-2 Agreement sets forth procedures regarding proposed changes by either NYSE or FINRA to the substance of any of the Common Rules.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

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

The foregoing rule change is being filed for immediate effectiveness pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)⁷ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)⁸ promulgated thereunder. The foregoing rule change effects a change that (A) does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (B) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (C) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) becomes effective upon filing but normally does not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing. However, pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii),⁹ the Commission may designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and public interest. The Exchange requests that the Commission waive the 30-day delayed operative date, so that the proposed rule change may become operative on January 1, 2008. In particular, the sole purpose of the proposed rule change is to conform NYSE's version of NYSE Rule 409 to FINRA's proposed amendments to NYSE Rule 409, in furtherance of the consolidation of the member firm regulations functions of NYSE Regulation and NASD. NYSE requests that the effective date of the proposed rule change be January 1, 2008, to conform to the effective date of FINRA's identical amendment to Rule 409 to ensure that Rule 409 maintains its status as a Common Rule under the 17d-2 Agreement. As provided in paragraph 2(b) of the Agreement, FINRA and NYSE will, absent a disagreement about the substance of a proposed rule change to one of the Common Rules, promptly propose conforming changes to ensure that such rules continue to be Common Rules under the Agreement.

In accordance with Rule 19b-4,¹⁰ NYSE submitted written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing. NYSE has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay contained in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)¹¹ under the Act based upon

a representation that the temporary exemptive relief provided by FINRA and NYSE expires on January 1, 2008, and to conform to the identical rule amendments proposed by FINRA. In light of the foregoing, the Commission believes such waiver is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective upon filing with the Commission and operative on January 1, 2008.¹²

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

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change 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 e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NYSE-2007-118 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2007-118. 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 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, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NYSE. 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-NYSE-2007-118 and should be submitted on or before January 24, 2008.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹³

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 6051]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: Ancient Greek Objects: "The Krimisa Apollo" and "Bronze Hydria"

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, Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the ancient Greek objects, "The Krimisa Apollo" and "Bronze Hydria," to be imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton, New Jersey, from on or about January 13, 2008, until on or about January 15, 2012, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁸ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

¹² For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay of this proposal, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).