

19b-4(f)(6)(iii)¹⁴ permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 30-day operative delay so that the proposed rule change may become effective and operative immediately upon filing. The Exchange states that the waiver will allow the Exchange, as soon as it begins to list non-convertible bonds by issuers with equity securities listed on NYSE and NYSE American,¹⁵ to have access to information about such issuers' equity securities that is material to the Exchange's decisions to suspend, de-list, or halt trading in the bonds.

The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The proposed rule change highlights in the Exchange bond listing rules the existing obligation of issuers listing non-convertible bonds to provide the Exchange with all material information that could reasonably be expected to affect the value of, or influence investors' decision, concerning Nasdaq listed non-convertible bonds including material information about an issuer's listed equity securities that could have such an affect, even if the equity security is listed on another national securities exchange.¹⁶ Such material information is important for the protection of investors and the public interest because this information will help the Exchange evaluate whether and when to suspend, de-list, or halt trading in the listed non-convertible bonds pursuant to Exchange rules. For these reasons, the Commission hereby waives the 30-day operative delay requirement and designates the proposed rule change as operative upon filing.¹⁷

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend 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. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings

¹⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

¹⁵ Under Exchange Rule 5702(a)(2), a non-convertible bond is eligible for listing on the Exchange only if its issuer concurrently lists at least one class of an equity security on either Nasdaq, NYSE, or NYSE American.

¹⁶ See *id.*

¹⁷ For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has also considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

to determine whether the proposed rule change should be approved or disapproved.

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 an email to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-NASDAQ-2019-031 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2019-031. This file number should be included on the subject line if email 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 website (<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 website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2019-031 and should be submitted on or before May 24, 2019.

¹⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁸

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Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #15944 and #15945;
MISSISSIPPI Disaster Number MS-00111]

Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Mississippi

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Mississippi (FEMA-4429-DR), dated 04/23/2019.

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, Tornadoes, and Flooding.

Incident Period: 02/22/2019 through 03/29/2019.

DATES: Issued on 04/23/2019.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 06/24/2019.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/23/2020.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416, (202) 205-6734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 04/23/2019, Private Non-Profit organizations that provide essential services of a governmental nature may file disaster loan applications at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Calhoun, Chickasaw, Clay, Grenada Lowndes, Pontotoc, Tishomingo.

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage: Non-Profit Organizations with Credit Available Elsewhere ...	2.750

	Percent
Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.750
<i>For Economic Injury:</i> Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.750

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 15944B and for economic injury is 159450.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 59008)

James Rivera,
Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Initiate Section 106 Consultation for the Proposed LaGuardia Access Improvement Project at LaGuardia Airport (LGA), New York City, Queens County, New York

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Request for Scoping Comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is issuing this notice under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared to assess the potential impacts of the proposed LaGuardia Airport Access Improvement Project and its enabling projects and connected actions (the proposed action). The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (Port Authority) proposes to construct an elevated automated people mover (APM) that would provide direct access between LGA and two existing transit stations at Mets-Willets Point.

Currently, LGA is accessible only by road. Passengers and employees face increasing and unreliable travel times and traffic congestion on off-Airport roadways. The project will provide air passengers and employees with a time-certain option for access to LGA and permit the Port Authority to provide adequate employee parking for the geographically constrained airport. Two (2) public scoping meetings and one (1)

governmental agency scoping meeting will be held to identify public and agency concerns related to the proposed action. FAA is the lead agency on the preparation of the EIS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Andrew Brooks, Environmental Program Manager, Eastern Regional Office, AEA-610, Federal Aviation Administration, 1 Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, NY 11434. Telephone: 718-553-2511.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this notice is to inform federal, state, and local government agencies and the public of the intent to prepare an EIS and to conduct a public and agency scoping process. Information, data, opinions, and substantive comments obtained throughout the scoping process will be considered in preparing the EIS.

The scoping process for this EIS will include scoping meetings and a comment period for interested agencies and members of the public to submit oral and/or written comments with respect to any potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed project, or comments representing the concerns, issues, and alternatives they believe should be addressed in the EIS. Please submit any written comments to the FAA no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday, June 17, 2019.

The EIS will be prepared in accordance with the procedures described in FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, and FAA Order 5050.4B, *National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions*. Additionally, pursuant to Executive Order 13807, Establishing Discipline and Accountability in the Environmental and Permitting Process for Infrastructure, this EIS will be used by all federal approving and permitting agencies. Accordingly, it will comply with any requirements of these cooperating and participating agencies. The FAA and cooperating and participating agencies intend to use the preparation of this EIS to comply with the concurrent statutory review process under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), as amended, and its implementing regulations, *Protection of Historic Properties* (36 CFR part 800); Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act; the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. This Notice of Intent also serves to notify the public that this EIS process will satisfy the public notice and comment requirements of Section 106 of the NHPA, Section 4(f) of the Department of

Transportation (DOT) Act, DOT Order 5610.2(a), *Environmental Justice in Minority and Low-Income Populations*; Executive Order 11990, *Protection of Wetlands*; DOT Order 5660.1A, *Preservation of the Nation's Wetlands*; Executive Order 11988, *Floodplain Management*; and DOT Order 5650.2, *Floodplain Management and Protection*.

The Port Authority, the operator of LGA, proposes the following project components of the proposed action:

- Construction of an above ground fixed guideway automated people mover (APM) system approximately 2.3 miles in length that extends from the LGA Central Hall Building to the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) Mets-Willets Point Station and the New York City Transit (NYCT) 7 Line Mets-Willets Point Station;
- construction of two on-Airport APM stations; construction of one off-Airport APM station at Mets-Willets Point that provides connections to the Mets-Willets Point LIRR and NYCT 7 Line stations;
- construction of passenger walkway systems to connect the APM stations to the passenger terminals, parking garages, and ground transportation facilities;
- construction of a multi-level APM operations, maintenance, and storage facility (OMSF) that includes 500 Airport employee parking spaces;
- construction of three traction power substations: one located at the on-airport East Station, another at Willets Point Station, and the third at the OMSF to provide power to the APM guideway;
- construction of a 27kV main substation located adjacent to the OMSF structure on MTA property; and
- construction of utilities infrastructure, both new and modified, as needed, to support the proposed action.

The proposed action also includes various enabling projects to allow construction and connected actions, including: Utility relocation and demolition of certain existing facilities; reconstruction and/or relocation of the Passerelle Bridge; modifications to the MTA LIRR Mets-Willets Point Station, including service changes to the LIRR Port Washington Line; and the relocation of several Flushing Bay Marina facilities, including a boat lift, Marina office, and boat storage.

The FAA is required to consider a range of alternatives that could potentially meet the purpose and need to provide a time-certain transportation option that connects passengers and employees to LGA. As part of the information submittal process, the Port