particular member or member organization may be asserted even after the posting period has run under By-Law Article XV, Section 15–4. However, it is extraordinarily rare that claims against a membership transfer are submitted to the Exchange, as such matters are usually settled by the parties prior to the effectiveness of a transfer.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act [5] in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) [6] in particular, because it is designed to perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and to protect investors and the public interest by providing a reduction of the posting period from 14 to seven days while retaining appropriate notice of applicants for membership and participation and transfers of memberships and preserving members' ability to submit information concerning the qualifications and fitness for membership of applicants.

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

The Phlx does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

The Exchange did not solicit or receive written comments on the proposed rule change.

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

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the Phlx consents, the Commission will:

(A) by order approve such proposed rule change, or

(B) institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be 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. Persons making written submissions should fix six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549–0609. 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. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All submissions should refer to the File No. SR–Phlx–2001–74 and should be submitted by October 17, 2001.

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

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary,

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[5] 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

[6] 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

[7] 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Data Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Small Business Administration's intentions to request approval on a new, and/or currently approved information collection.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments regarding whether these information collections are necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, whether the burden estimates are accurate, and if there are ways to minimize the estimated burden and enhance the quality of the collections, to Sandra Johnston, Program Analyst, Office of Financial Assistance, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 8300, Washington DC 20416

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Johnston, Program Analyst, (202) 205–7528 or Curtis B. Rich, Management Analyst, (202) 205–7030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Settlement Sheet.

Form No: 1050.

Description of Respondents: SBA Borrowers.

Annual Responses: 39,988.

Annual Burden: 19,994.

Title: Lender Transcript of Account.

Form No: 1149.

Description of Respondents: SBA Guaranty Lenders.

Annual Responses: 5,000.

Annual Burden: 5,000.

Jacqueline White,

Chief, Administrative Information Branch.

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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 P.L. 104–13 effective October 1, 1995, The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. 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 and at the following addresses:

(OMB), Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, New Executive Office Building, Room 10230, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, D.C. 20503.

(SSA), Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Frederick W. Brickenkamp, 1–A–21 Operations Bldg., 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235.

I. The information collections listed below 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 410–965–4145, or by writing to him at the address listed above.

1. Modified Benefits Formula Questionnaire, Employer—0960–0477. Form SSA–58 is used by the Social Security Administration (SSA) to verify or disprove a claimant's allegation regarding a pension based on non-covered employment after 1956. It also shows whether that claimant was eligible for the pension before 1986. The respondents are persons who are eligible (after 1985) for both Social Security benefits and a pension from their employer, based on work not covered by SSA.

Number of Respondents: 30,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 20 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 10,000 hours.

2. Application for Survivors Benefits—0960–0062. The information collected on Form SSA–24 is needed to satisfy the ''Jointly Prescribed Application'' of title 38 USC 5105. The provision requires that survivors who file with SSA or the VA shall be deemed to have filed with both agencies, and that each agency's forms must request information to constitute an application for both SSA and VA benefits. The respondents are survivors of military service veterans filing for Social Security benefits

Number of Respondents: 3,200.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 800 hours.

3. Medical Report (Individual With Childhood Impairment)—0960–0102. The information on Form SSA–3827–BK is needed to determine the claimant's physical and mental status prior to making a childhood disability determination. The respondents are medical sources.

Number of Respondents: 12,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 6,000 hours.

4. Work Activity Report (Self-Employed)—0960–0598. Form SSA–820–F4 is used to determine whether work an individual performs in self-employment is at the substantial gainful activity (SGA) level. An individual's entitlement to benefits ends if he/she demonstrates an ability to perform SGA. The respondents are social security disability beneficiaries and Supplemental Security Income recipients.

Number of Respondents: 100,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 50,000 hours.

5. Agreement to Sell Property—0960–0127. Form SSA–8060–U3 is used by SSA to document and ensure that individuals or couples who are otherwise eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments, but who own in excess of the statutory limit, may receive conditional benefit payments if they agree to dispose of the excess resources and repay any overpayments with the proceeds of the disposition. The form is also used to ensure that the individuals understand their obligations under the agreement. The respondents are individuals (or couples) who are receiving (or will receive) conditional SSI payments.

Number of Respondents: 20,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 3,333 hours.

6. Reconsideration Disability Report-0960–0144. SSA uses the information collected on Form SSA–3441 to determine if the claimant's medical or vocational situation changed after the initial disability determination, when the claimant requests a reconsideration of a denied disability claim. The form also elicits additional sources of medical and vocational evidence that were not considered in the initial determination. The respondents are disability beneficiaries who request a reconsideration of their claim.

Number of Respondents: 400,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Average Burden: 200,000 hours.

7. Electronic Benefit Verification Information—0960–0595. SSA provides verification of benefits, when requested, to individuals receiving title II and/or title XVI benefits. In order to provide to the public an easy and convenient means of requesting benefit information, SSA has developed an electronic request form that will allow persons to request the information through the Internet. The information collected on the electronic screens will be used by SSA to process the request for a benefit verification statement. To ensure appropriate confidentiality, the statement will be mailed to the recipient/beneficiary address shown in SSA's records. The respondents are title II and XVI recipients/beneficiaries who request benefit verification information using the Internet.

Number of Respondents: 133,920.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: ½ minute.
Estimated Average Burden: 1,116 hours.

8. Statement by School Official About Student's Attendance; Statement to U.S. Social Security Administration By School Outside the United States About Student's Attendance—0960–0090. The information collected on Forms SSA–1371 and SSA–1371–FC is used by SSA to verify a student's alleged full-time attendance at an educational institution, in order to determine the student's eligibility for Social Security student benefits. The respondents are school officials who provide the information on these forms.

Number of Respondents: 5,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.
Estimated Average Burden: 833 hours.

9. Report of Continuing Disability Interview—0960–0072. SSA periodically reviews the cases of individuals who receive Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) to determine if disability continues. During a review, SSA uses Form SSA–454–BK to collect information on disability. The information on the form is used to update the record of the disabled individual on recent medical treatment, vocational and educational experiences, work activity, and evaluations of potential for return to work. Based on this information and other evidence, SSA makes a determination on whether disability continues or has ended, and if so, when disability ended. The respondents are individuals who receive Social Security or SSI disability benefits, or their representatives.

Number of Respondents: 852,000.
Frequency of Response: 1.
Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Annual Burden: 426,000 hours.

II. The information collections listed below have been submitted to OMB for clearance. Your comments on the information collections would be most useful if received by OMB and SSA within 30 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the OMB clearance package by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965–4145, or by writing to him at the address listed above.

1. Request for Social Security Earnings Information—0960–0525. The Social Security Act provides that a wage earner, or someone authorized by a

wage earner, may request Social Security earnings information from the Social Security Administration, using form SSA–7050. SSA uses the information collected on the form to verify that the requestor is authorized to access the earnings record and to produce the earnings statement. The respondents are wage earners and organizations and legal representatives authorized by the wage earner.

Number of Respondents: 61,494.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 11 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 11,274 hours.

2. Survey of Adults to Determine Public Understanding of Social Security Programs—0960–0612. As a result of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), SSA must measure its progress in achieving Agency-level goals. One of SSA's strategic goals is to ''Strengthen public understanding of Social Security programs.'' In order to measure its performance in meeting this strategic objective, SSA established the Public Understanding Measurement System (PUMS) which involves surveying the public about their knowledge of Social Security programs. The Gallup Organization has been conducting PUMS surveys, on behalf of SSA, since fiscal year 1999.

For the next series of surveys, SSA has made some modifications to the PUMS survey process to bring it into compliance with its most recent Agency Strategic Plan, *Mastering the Challenge*, and plans to conduct 22,000 surveys beginning this fall as shown below:

- 1,000 national surveys will be used to determine the FY 2001 performance level; *e.g.*, the percent of Americans knowledgeable about Social Security programs.
- 1,050 national surveys will be used to ensure that SSA has equal data for specific demographic groups (African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Asian Americans) that have been underrepresented in previous national surveys. This data will be used to improve SSA's public education programs directed to these populations.
- 19,950 ''area'' surveys will provide area managers with statistically valid local GPRA performance data. This data will be used to measure local progress and to improve SSA public education programs in those areas. This will ensure that SSA's resources are used effectively and that it continues to make progress in meeting its strategic objective.

The respondents will be randomly selected adults residing in the United States.

	National surveys	Area surveys
Number of respondents	2,050	19,950.
Frequency of response	1	1.
Average burden per response	10.5 minutes	10.5 minutes.
Estimated annual burden	359 hours	3,491 hours.

Dated: September 20, 2001.

Frederick W. Brickenkamp,

Reports Clearance Officer.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

2001–2002 Allocations of the Tariff-Rate Quotas for Raw Cane Sugar, Refined Sugar, and Sugar Containing Products

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is providing notice of the country-by-country allocations of the in-quota quantity of the tariff-rate quotas for imported raw cane sugar, refined sugar, and sugar containing products for the period that begins October 1, 2001 and ends September 30, 2002.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries may be mailed or delivered to Sharon Sheffield, Director of Agricultural Trade Policy, Office of Agricultural Affairs, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Sheffield, Office of Agricultural Affairs, 202–395–6127.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to additional U.S. Note 5 to chapter 17 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), the United States maintains tariff-rate quotas for imports of raw cane and refined sugar. Pursuant to additional U.S. Note 8 to chapter 17 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule, the United States also maintains a tariff-rate quota for certain sugar-containing products.

Section 404(d)(3) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3601(d)(3)) authorizes the President to allocate the in-quota quantity of a tariff-rate quota for any agricultural product among supplying countries or customs areas. The President delegated this authority to the United States Trade Representative under paragraph (3) of Presidential Proclamation No. 6763 (60 FR 1007).

The in-quota quantity of the raw cane tariff-rate quota for the period October 1, 2001–September 30, 2002, has been established by the Secretary of Agriculture at 1,254,983 metric tons, raw value (1,383,382 short tons). This quantity includes 1,117,195 metric tons, raw value, the minimum to which the United States is committed under the Uruguay Round Agreement, and 137,788 metric tons, raw value, which is the additional amount that the United States is providing to Mexico under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The quantity of 1,117,195 metric tons, raw value is being allocated to the following countries:

Country	FY 2002 allocation
Argentina	45,281
Australia	87,402
Barbados	7,371
Belize	11,583
Bolivia	8,424
Brazil	152,691
Colombia	25,273
Congo	7,258
Cote d'Ivoire	7,258
Costa Rica	15,796
Dominican Republic	185,335
Ecuador	11,583
El Salvador	27,379
Fiji	9,477
Gabon	7,258
Guatemala	50,546
Guyana	12,636
Haiti	7,258
Honduras	10,530
India	8,424
Jamaica	11,583
Madagascar	7,258
Malawi	10,530
Mauritius	12,636
Mexico	7,258
Mozambique	13,690
Nicaragua	22,114
Panama	30,538
Papua New Guinea	7,258
Paraguay	7,258