

on the NYSE, an NYSE specialist is responsible only for any loss sustained up to and including the next business day's opening price. Currently, if that deadline is missed on Amex, however, the Amex member or member organization can still make a written request up to the next business day's close, and the Amex equity specialist will be responsible for one-half of any loss established before that close. (On both exchanges, if the member or member organization makes a written request by one-half hour before the next business day's opening, the specialist is responsible until he or she responds to the request.)

The Exchange believes that its rule should be changed to put Amex equity and ETF specialists on equal footing with the NYSE specialists. Thus, the Exchange proposes to revise Amex Rule 178(b) to provide that, if a written request for a report is not made by one-half hour before the next business day's opening, then the Amex equity or ETF specialist would be responsible only for any loss sustained up to and including the next business day's opening price. The Exchange believes that its rule should have the same flexibility as the NYSE rule and is proposing to revise Amex Rule 178(a) to permit Amex to change the half-hour deadline on a temporary basis if "market conditions so warrant." Specifically, the Exchange proposes that the Senior Supervisory Officer or, in his or her absence, a Floor Governor or an Executive Vice President responsible for Market Operations, would have the authority to make the decision to change the one-half hour deadline.

2. Statutory Basis

Amex believes that the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act⁵ in general and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5)⁶ in particular, in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

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

Amex believes that the proposed rule change, as amended, would impose no 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 did not solicit or receive any written comments with respect to the proposal.

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 Exchange consents, the Commission will:

- A. By order approve such proposed rule change, as amended, or
- B. Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change, as amended, 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, 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-Amex-2005-030 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-Amex-2005-030. 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 Section. 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; 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-Amex-2005-030 and should be submitted on or before May 2, 2005.

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

Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration # 10096 and # 10097]

Georgia Disaster # GA-00002

AGENCY: Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the State of Georgia, dated April 4, 2005.

Incident: Severe Storms and Tornadoes.

Incident Period: March 22, 2005.

Effective Date: April 4, 2005.

Physical Loan Application Deadline

Date: June 3, 2005.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: January 4, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area Office 1, 360 Rainbow Blvd. South 3rd Floor, Niagara Falls, NY 14303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration on April 4, 2005, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

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

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Primary Counties:

Miller, Wayne

Contiguous Counties: Georgia

Appling, Baker, Brantley, Decatur,

Early, Glynn, Long, McIntosh,

Pierce, Seminole, Tattnall

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere	5.875
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere	2.937
Businesses with credit available elsewhere	6.000
Businesses & small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere	4.000
Other (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere	4.750
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere	4.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 10096 C and for economic injury is 10097 0.

The State which received an EIDL Declaration # is Georgia.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008.)

Dated: April 4, 2005.

Hector V. Barreto,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Region 3—Washington Metropolitan Area District Office Advisory Council; Public Meeting

The U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington Metropolitan Area District Office, will host a public meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2005, starting at 9 a.m. until 12 noon, at the Washington Metropolitan Area District Office, located at 1110 Vermont Avenue, NW., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. Seating is limited and is available on a first come, first served basis. The focus of the meeting includes a review/update of the status of the district's FY 2005 goals, update on new initiatives and other matters that may be presented by members and staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington Metropolitan Area District Office or others present.

Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation to the Board must contact Joseph P. Loddo, District Director, Washington Metropolitan Area District Advisory Council, in writing or by fax no later than April 19, 2005, in order to

be put on the agenda. Joseph P. Loddo, District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington Metropolitan Area District Office, 1110 Vermont Avenue, NW., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20005, telephone (202) 606-4000, ext. 261, or fax (202) 481-1656.

Matthew K. Becker,

Committee Management Specialist.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 5045]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Forms DS-573, DS-574, DS-575, and DS-576, Overseas Schools—Grant Request Automated Submissions Program (GRASP), OMB Control No. 1405-0036

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Overseas Schools Grant Request Automated Submissions Program (GRASP).
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0036.
- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* A/OPR/OS.
- *Form Number:* DS-573, DS-574, DS-575, DS-576.
- *Respondents:* Recipients of grants.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 190.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 190.
- *Average Hours Per Response:* 1.50.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 285 hours.
- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to retain a benefit.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from April 11, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Public comments, or requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice, should be directed to Keith D. Miller, Office of Overseas Schools.

You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* millerkd2@state.gov. You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in the subject line of your message.

- *Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions):* Keith D. Miller, Office of Overseas Schools, U.S. Department of State, Room H-328, 2401 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20522-0132.

- *Fax:* 202-261-8224.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Same as mailing address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Keith D. Miller, Office of Overseas Schools, U.S. Department of State, Room H-328, 2401 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20522-0132, who may be reached on 202-261-8200 or at millerkd2@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The Office of Overseas Schools of the Department of State (A/OPR/OS) is responsible for determining that adequate educational opportunities exist at Foreign Service Posts for dependents of U.S. Government personnel stationed abroad, and for assisting American-sponsored overseas schools to demonstrate U.S. educational philosophy and practice. The information gathered enables A/OPR/OS to advise the Department and other foreign affairs agencies regarding current and constantly changing conditions, and enables A/OPR/OS to make judgments regarding assistance to schools for the improvement of educational opportunities.

Methodology

Information is collected via electronic media.