

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35–28020]

Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended (“Act”)

August 26, 2005.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission’s Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by September 27, 2005, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–9303, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After September 27, 2005, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

KeySpan Corporation, et al. (70–09957)

KeySpan Corporation (“KeySpan”) and its wholly owned captive insurance company subsidiary, KeySpan Insurance Company (“KIC”), One MetroTech Center Brooklyn, New York 11201 have filed a post-effective amendment (“Application”) with the Commission under sections 6(a), 7, 12(b) and 13(b) of the Act and rules 45, 54, 90 and 91 under the Act.

By order dated April 24, 2003, HCAR No. 27669 (“First Captive Order”), the Commission authorized KeySpan to organize a subsidiary to engage in activities associated with a captive insurance company. In accordance with the First Captive Order, KeySpan formed KIC, which is authorized to provide certain insurance services to KeySpan and its subsidiaries (“KeySpan System” and/or “System Companies”).

By order dated February 3, 2004, HCAR No. 27795 (“Second Captive Order”), the Commission authorized KeySpan to expand the authority granted to the Applicants under the First Captive Order in order to allow KIC to provide additional insurance services covering property, boiler and machinery “all-risk” insurance services. KeySpan and KIC now seek an expansion of the authorization granted to KeySpan under the First Captive Order and the Second Captive Order (collectively referred to herein as the “Captive Orders”).

Under the Captive Orders, KIC is authorized to provide several major types of coverage to the KeySpan System, including automobile liability, workers’ compensation, general liability, property, and boiler and machinery “all-risk” insurance. In addition, KIC is authorized to provide general liability and workers’ compensation insurance to its principal contractors under an Owner’s Controlled Insurance Program (“OCIP”). The contractors provide scheduled gas main construction and maintenance to the KeySpan System. Except for the general liability and workers’ compensation insurance provided to the principal contractor under OCIP, KIC will not extend or provide to any non-affiliated company any insurance services, unless otherwise expressly authorized by the Commission.

KIC assumes the risk of the more predictable loss layer from the commercial insurers for automobile and general liability losses, workers’ compensation, property, boiler and machinery “all-risk” insurance. Commercial insurance will continue to be purchased for “unpredictable” losses above the predictable loss layers from various commercial insurance companies, as was done under the program prior to the formation of KIC. To the extent that KIC procures insurance at a lower cost than that which could be obtained through traditional insurers, the savings in the premiums flow through ratably to the KeySpan System companies through the operation of the allocation methodology used to establish premiums.

Applicants now propose that KIC would offer the following additional insurance services to the KeySpan System:

- **Excess Liability**—A reduction of costs could be realized by all system companies, in an amount equal to the percentage of coverage taken on by KIC, if KIC were to take a position in the upper layers of the Excess General Liability insurance purchased from the commercial market. Specifically, the KIC would take a specific percentage of

the Company’s \$265 million excess of \$35 million excess liability program, not to exceed 25 percent. Applicants assert that this limitation of 25 percent would serve to mitigate any potentially adverse event while saving the System Companies a potential 20 percent when compared to current market pricing.

- **Service/Maintenance Contracts Insurance**—KIC could be used to underwrite the risks posed to the service companies through warranty contracts. Currently the home energy service companies are being asked by State regulatory agencies to evidence financial backing of these contracts which does not exist at this time. Applicants assert that a savings of approximately 20 percent could be realized by using KIC versus utilizing the commercial insurance market.

- **Subsidiary Deductible Buy-Down Options**—KIC can be used to offer separate deductibles to operating entities according to their individual appetite for risk. Applicants assert that this would assist the operating entities, especially the smaller ones, in maintaining fiscal responsibility and would place their deductibles more in-line with their business operational risk.

- **Weather Insurance**—KeySpan currently uses the commercial market to hedge against adverse weather fluctuations in New England. Savings on the profit and administration paid to insurance companies would benefit the System Companies. Applicants state that System Companies would save approximately 15% by using KIC.

- **Certified Terrorism Coverage**—If the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (“TRIA”) is extended beyond December 31, 2005, KIC can offer this line of coverage because of its status as a licensed insurance company in the State of Vermont. This would save approximately 10–15% in current costs paid to the commercial market. In the event of a certified terrorism loss, KIC would have access to TRIA and would be able to recoup the loss associated with the event, subject to applicable deductible and co-insurance provisions.

- **Joint Venture Opportunities**—KIC can be a vehicle for insuring predictable risks associated with joint ventures, partnerships or other business combinations.

KeySpan currently insures excess liability, weather insurance, and certified terrorism coverage through the traditional commercial insurance market. It has various deductibles ranging from \$1 million to \$3 million. It purchases limits up to \$2.5 billion from the commercial insurance market. KeySpan does not presently purchase service/maintenance contracts

insurance, subsidiary deductible buy-down options, or joint venture opportunities insurance from the commercial insurance market but intends to provide coverage in these areas ranging from \$5 million to \$15 million through KIC.

Applicants state that KIC can be used as a vehicle to lower costs to the KeySpan System companies by acting as a buffer layer between current commercial market deductibles and planned increases in such deductibles. KeySpan could engage the commercial market at higher deductibles than currently possible because KIC would insure the increased risk associated with higher deductibles. Increasing the commercial market deductibles would allow the KeySpan System to reduce commercial market premiums. The premium charged by KIC for this buffer layer would be calculated based on expected losses, utilizing the same method as used by commercial insurance companies. Applicants state that, the premium charged by KIC would not include an additional charge for profit or administration and would therefore provide further savings to the KeySpan System companies.

Applicants state that, to the extent that KIC can provide insurance at a lower cost than that which could be obtained through traditional insurers, the savings would continue to flow through ratably to the KeySpan System companies through the allocation methodology used to establish premiums, as described above. Moreover, there would be no additional staffing requirements for KeySpan System companies. KIC would not be operated to generate profits beyond what is necessary to maintain adequate reserves.

For the Commission by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Bancorp International Group, Inc. File No. 500-1; Order of Suspension of Trading

August 31, 2005.

It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that all of the securities currently trading in the name of Bancorp International Group, Inc. ("BCIT") and purportedly signed by Thomas Megas as President and M. Puig

as Secretary are counterfeit. BCIT is quoted on the Pink Sheets LLC.

The Commission is of the opinion that the public interest and the protection of investors require a suspension of trading in the securities of BCIT.

Therefore, it is ordered, pursuant to section 12(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that trading in BCIT is suspended for the period from 9:30 a.m. e.d.t., August 31, 2005 through 11:59 p.m. e.d.t., on September 14, 2005.

By the Commission.

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-52341; File No. SR-BSE-2005-20]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Boston Stock Exchange; Order Granting Approval to Proposed Rule Change Relating to Trade Shredding

August 26, 2005.

I. Introduction

On June 23, 2005, the Boston Stock Exchange ("BSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² the proposed rule change relating to trade shredding. The proposed rule change was published for notice and comment in the **Federal Register** on July 22, 2005.³ The Commission received no comments on the proposal. This order approves the proposed rule change.

II. Description of the Proposal

The BSE proposed to add language to its existing BSE Rules to prohibit BSE members from splitting large orders into multiple smaller orders for any purpose other than best execution. The text of BSE Rules as the BSE is proposing to amend it is below. New text is in *italics*.

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Chapter II

Dealings on the Exchange

Sec. 4.

Units of Trading

The unit of trading in bonds shall be \$1000 in par value thereof.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240. 19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52033 (July 14, 2005), 70 FR 42396.

The unit of trading in stocks shall be 100 shares, except that the Exchange may fix a smaller number of shares in any particular instance.

Bids or offers for less than the unit of trading shall specify the par value of the bonds or number of shares of stock covered by the bid or offer.

A customer's order in the unit of trading, or multiples thereof, in any security traded on the Exchange, the primary market for which is on another Exchange, may not be split into odd-lots. *A member may not split any order into multiple smaller orders for any purpose other than seeking the best execution of the entire order.*

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III. Discussion and Commission Findings

The Commission has reviewed carefully the proposed rule change and finds that it is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange,⁴ particularly Section 6(b)(5) of the Act which, among other things, requires that the rules of a national securities exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating securities transactions, to remove impediments to perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.⁵ The Commission believes that the proposed rule change should help eliminate the distortive practice of trade shredding, and, therefore, promote just and equitable principles of trade.

IV. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁶ that the proposed rule change (File No. SR-BSE-2005-20), be and hereby is, approved.

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

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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⁴ In approving this proposed rule change, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).