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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of August 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David B. Matthews,**

*Director, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

### Required Interest Rate Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

**AGENCY:** Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

**SUMMARY:** This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or can be derived from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's Web site (<http://www.pbgc.gov>).

**DATES:** The required interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in August 2002. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in September 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202-326-4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate (the "required interest rate") in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. The required interest rate is the "applicable percentage" (currently 100 percent) of the annual yield on 30-year Treasury securities for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the "premium payment year"). (Although the Treasury Department has ceased issuing 30-year securities, the Internal Revenue Service announces a surrogate yield figure each month—based on the 30-year Treasury bond maturing in February 2031—which the PBGC uses to determine the required interest rate.)

The required interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in August 2002 is 5.39 percent.

The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between September 2001 and August 2002.

| For premium payment years beginning in: | The required interest rate is: |
|---|--------------------------------|
| September 2001 .....                    | 4.66                           |
| October 2001 .....                      | 4.66                           |
| November 2001 .....                     | 4.52                           |
| December 2001 .....                     | 4.35                           |
| January 2002 .....                      | 5.48                           |
| February 2002 .....                     | 5.45                           |
| March 2002 .....                        | 5.40                           |
| April 2002 .....                        | 5.71                           |
| May 2002 .....                          | 5.68                           |
| June 2002 .....                         | 5.65                           |
| July 2002 .....                         | 5.52                           |
| August 2002 .....                       | 5.39                           |

## Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

The PBGC's regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in September 2002 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044.

Issued in Washington, DC, on this 8th day of August, 2002.

**Joseph H. Grant,**

*Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.*

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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

### Proposed Data Collection Available for Public Comment and Recommendations

**Summary:** In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

**Comments are invited on:** (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

### Title and Purpose of Information Collection

Evidence of Marital Relationship, Living with Requirements; OMB 3220-0021.

To support an application for a spouse or widow(er)'s annuity under Sections 2(c) or 2(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act, an applicant must submit proof of a valid marriage to a railroad employee. In some cases, the existence of a marital relationship is not formalized by a civil or religious ceremony. In other cases, questions may arise about the legal termination of a prior marriage of an employee, spouse, or widow(er). In these instances, the RRB must secure additional information to resolve questionable marital relationships. The circumstances requiring an applicant to submit documentary evidence of marriage are prescribed in 20 CFR 219.30.

In the absence of documentary evidence to support the existence of a valid marriage between a spouse or widow(er) annuity applicant and a railroad employee, the RRB needs to obtain information to determine if a

valid marriage existed. The RRB utilizes Forms G-124, Statement of Marital Relationship; G-124a, Statement Regarding Marriage; G-237, Statement Regarding Marital Status; G-238, Statement of Residence; and G-238a, Statement Regarding Divorce or

Annulment to secure the needed information. One response is requested of each respondent. Completion is required to obtain benefits. The RRB proposes minor non-burden impacting cosmetic, editorial and formatting

changes to all the forms in the collection.

#### Estimate of Annual Respondent Burden

The estimated annual respondent burden is as follows:

| Form #(s)               | Annual responses | Time (Min) | Burden (Hrs) |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------|--------------|
| G-124 (In person) ..... | 125              | 15         | 31           |
| G-124 (By mail) .....   | 75               | 20         | 25           |
| G-124a .....            | 300              | 10         | 50           |
| G-237 (In person) ..... | 75               | 15         | 19           |
| G-237 (By mail) .....   | 75               | 20         | 25           |
| G-238 (In person) ..... | 150              | 3          | 8            |
| G-238 (By mail) .....   | 150              | 5          | 13           |
| G-238a .....            | 150              | 10         | 25           |
| Total .....             | 1,100            | .....      | 196          |

**Additional Information or Comments:**  
To request more information or to obtain a copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (312) 751-3363. Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 N. Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

**Chuck Mierzwa,**  
Clearance Officer.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Requests Under Review by Office of Management and Budget

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

#### Extension:

Rule 15c1-5, SEC File No. 270-422, OMB Control No. 3235-0471

Rule 15c1-6, SEC File No. 270-423, OMB Control No. 3235-0472

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget requests for approval of extension on the following:

Rule 15c1-5 ((17 CFR 240.15c1-5) states that any broker-dealer controlled by, controlling, or under common

control with the issuer of a security that the broker-dealer is trying to sell to or buy from a customer must give the customer written notification disclosing the control relationship at or before completion of the transaction. The Commission estimates that 360 respondents collect information annually under Rule 15c1-5 and that approximately 3,600 hours would be required annually for these collections.

There is no retention period requirement under Rule 15c1-5. This Rule does not involve the collection of confidential information.

Rule 15c1-6 (17 CFR 240.15c1-6) states that any broker-dealer trying to sell to or buy from a customer a security in a primary or secondary distribution in which the broker-dealer is participating or is otherwise financially interested must give the customer written notification of the broker-dealer's participation or interest at or before completion of the transaction. The Commission estimates that 725 respondents collect information annually under Rule 15c1-6 and that approximately 7,250 hours would be required annually for these collections.

There is no retention period requirement under Rule 15c1-6. This Rule does not involve the collection of confidential information.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

General comments regarding the estimated burden hours should be directed to the Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission at the address below. Any comments concerning the accuracy of the estimated average burden hours for compliance with Commission rules and

forms should be directed to Michael E. Bartell, Associate Executive Director, Office of Information Technology, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549 and Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Room 10202, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20503. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 9, 2002.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw From Listing and Registration on the American Stock Exchange LLC (Northeast Pennsylvania Financial Corp., Common Stock, \$.01 par value) File No. 1-13793

August 9, 2002.

Northeast Pennsylvania Financial Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,<sup>2</sup> to withdraw its Common Stock, \$.01 par value ("Security"), from listing and

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78j(d).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).