

*12:30 p.m.–2 p.m.: Technical Assessment and Proposed Recommendations for Resolving GSI-186, “Potential Risk and Consequences of Heavy Load Drops in Nuclear Power Plants”* (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the technical assessment and recommendations proposed by the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research for resolving GSI-186.

*2:15 p.m.–3:45 p.m.: Draft Final Review Standard for Reviewing Core Power Uprate Applications* (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the draft final review standard to be used by the staff for reviewing core power uprate applications.

*4 p.m.–5:15 p.m.: Draft Final Revision 3 to Regulatory Guide 1.82 (DG-1107), “Water Sources for Long-Term Recirculation Cooling Following a LOCA”* (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding draft final revision 3 to Regulatory Guide 1.82 (DG-1107) including resolution of public comments, and related matters.

*5:15 p.m.–6 p.m.: Review of PIRT Process* (Open)—The Committee will hear a presentation by Dr. Nourbakhsh, ACRS Senior Fellow, regarding his review of the phenomena identification and ranking table (PIRT) process.

*6:15 p.m.–7:30 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting. In addition, the Committee will discuss a proposed ACRS report on safeguards and security matters (Closed).

**Friday, September 12, 2003, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

*8:30 a.m.–8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman* (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

*8:35 a.m.–9:30 a.m.: Draft Final Revision 1 to Regulatory Guide 1.53, “Application of the Single Failure Criterion to Safety Systems”* (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the draft final revision 1 to Regulatory Guide 1.53.

*9:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m.: Preparation for Meeting with the NRC Commissioners* (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed topics for discussion during the ACRS meeting with the NRC Commissioners which is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, October 1, 2003, between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

*11:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: Subcommittee Report on Fire Protection Issues* (Open)—The Fire Protection Subcommittee Chairman will provide a brief report on matters discussed during the September 9, 2003 meeting.

*11:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee* (Open)—The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures

Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments.

*12:15 p.m.–12:30 p.m.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and Recommendations* (Open)—The Committee will discuss the responses from the NRC Executive Director for Operations (EDO) to comments and recommendations included in recent ACRS reports and letters. The EDO responses are expected to be made available to the Committee prior to the meeting.

*1:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting. In addition, the Committee will discuss a proposed ACRS report on safeguards and security (Closed).

**Saturday, September 13, 2003, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland**

*8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports* (Open/Closed)—The Committee will continue discussion of the proposed ACRS reports.

*1 p.m.–1:15 p.m.: Miscellaneous* (Open)—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACRS meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 11, 2002 (67 FR 63460). In accordance with those procedures, oral or written views may be presented by members of the public, including representatives of the nuclear industry. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during the open portions of the meeting. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the Associate Director for Technical Support named below five days before the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made to allow necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during the meeting may be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for this purpose may be obtained by contacting the Associate Director prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACRS meetings may be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should check with the Associate Director for Technical Support if such rescheduling would result in major inconvenience.

In accordance with subsection 10(d) Public Law 92-463, I have determined that it is necessary to close portions of this meeting noted above to discuss and protect information classified as national security information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, as well as the Chairman's ruling on requests for the

opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting Dr. Sher Bahadur, Associate Director for Technical Support (301-415-0138), between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., e.t.

ACRS meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available through the NRC Public Document Room at [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov), or by calling the PDR at 1-800-397-4209, or from the Publicly Available Records System (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS) which is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/> (ACRS & ACNW Mtg schedules/agendas).

Videoteleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACRS meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACRS meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACRS Audio Visual Technician (301-415-8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m., e.t., at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment and facilities that they use to establish the videoteleconferencing link. The availability of videoteleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: August 18, 2003.

**Andrew L. Bates,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for a Revised Information Collection: SF-15, Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. The Application for 10-Point Veteran Preference (Standard Form 15) is used by agencies, OPM examining offices, and agency appointing officials to adjudicate individuals' claims for veterans' preference in accordance with the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944. OPM intends to update the form to reflect elimination of the Federal Personnel Manual and Standard Form 171 (Application for Federal Employment), and revised forms issued by the

Department of Veterans Affairs used to document service-connected disabilities.

Approximately 4,500 forms are completed annually. Each form takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 750 hours.

*Comments are particularly invited on:* Whether this information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of OPM, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or e-mail to [mbtoomey@opm.gov](mailto:mbtoomey@opm.gov). Please be sure to include a mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** We will consider comments received on or before October 21, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver written comments to: Leah Meisel, Deputy Associate Director for Talent and Capacity Policy, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 6551, Washington, DC 20415.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Kay Coles James,**  
Director.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-48355; File No. SR-BSE-2002-15]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Amendment No. 3 to the Proposed Rule Change by the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. Establishing Trading Rules for the Boston Options Exchange Facility

August 15, 2003.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on August 15, 2003, the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. ("BSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange

Commission ("Commission") Amendment No. 3 to the proposed rule change, as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The BSE submitted the proposed rule change to the Commission on October 31, 2002. On December 18, 2002, the BSE filed Amendment No. 1 that entirely replaced the original rule filing.<sup>3</sup> On January 9, 2003, the BSE filed Amendment No. 2 that entirely replaced the original rule filing and Amendment No. 1.<sup>4</sup> Amendment No. 2 was published in the **Federal Register** on January 22, 2003 ("BOX Proposing Release").<sup>5</sup> The Commission received 43 comment letters.<sup>6</sup> In response to the concerns

<sup>3</sup> See Letter from George W. Mann, Jr., Executive Vice President and General Counsel, BSE, to Annette Nazareth, Director, Division of Market Regulation ("Division"), Commission, dated December 18, 2002 ("Amendment No. 1").

<sup>4</sup> See Letter from George W. Mann, Jr., Executive Vice President and General Counsel, BSE, to Annette Nazareth, Director, Division, Commission, dated January 8, 2003 ("Amendment No. 2").

<sup>5</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 47186 (January 14, 2003), 68 FR 3062 ("BOX Proposing Release").

<sup>6</sup> See Letters to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Commission, from Paul Fred, CEO, PFTC Trading, LLC, dated January 24, 2003; Myron Wood, Statistician, Changes, LLC, dated January 30, 2003; Mike Ianni, dated February 2, 2003; Shawn Gibson, Senior VP, Equity Derivatives, Scott & Stringfellow, dated February 6, 2003; CSFB Next Fund, Inc., Interactive Brokers Group, LLC, LabMorgan Corporation, Salomon Brothers Holding Company, Inc., UBS (USA) Inc., dated February 6, 2003; Sallerson-Troob, LLC, dated February 9, 2003; Christopher D. Bernard, dated February 10, 2003; George Papa, Director, PEAK6 Investments, dated February 10, 2003; Frank Hirsch, CBOE Market Maker, dated February 10, 2003; Richard W. Cusack, Operations Manager, Sparta Group of Chicago, LP, dated February 11, 2003; Paul Britton, CEO, MAKO Global Derivatives LLC, dated February 11, 2003; John Colletti, Samuelson Trading, dated February 11, 2003; Robert S. Smith, Chief Technology Officer, GETCO, LLC, dated February 11, 2003; Phillip Sylvester, CBOE Market Maker, dated February 11, 2003; Keith Fishe, DRW Holdings, LLC, dated February 11, 2003; Daniel C. Bigelow, president, Monadnock Capital Management, dated February 11, 2003; Erich Tengelsen, Chicago Trading Company, dated February 12, 2003; Thomas Peterffy, Chairman, David M. Battan, Vice President and General Counsel, Interactive Brokers LLC, dated February 12, 2003; John T. Thomas, Van Der Moolen USA LLC, dated February 12, 2003; Robert C. Sheehan, Electronic Brokerage Systems LLC, dated February 12, 2003; Thomas J. Murphy, TJM Investments, LLC, dated February 12, 2003; Meyer S. Frucher, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc., dated February 12, 2003; Michael Resch, dated February 12, 2003; Todd Silverberg, General Counsel, Susquehanna International Group LLP, dated February 12, 2003; Michael J. Simon, Senior Vice President and Secretary, International Securities Exchange, Inc. ("ISE"), dated February 12, 2003; Juan Carlos Pinilla, Managing Director, Equity Derivatives Trading, JP Morgan, dated February 12, 2003; Marc J. Liu, Options Specialist, AGS Specialist Partners, dated February 12, 2003; Jan-Joris Hoefnagel, President, Optiver Derivatives Trading, dated February 13, 2003; Steve Tumen, CEO, and David

raised in the comment letters and discussions with Commission staff, the BSE filed Amendment No. 3. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on Amendment No. 3 from interested persons.

### I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

As described in the BOX Proposing Release, the BSE proposes to create a new electronic options trading facility of the Exchange, called the Boston Options Exchange ("BOX"). The text of Amendment No. 3 to the proposed rule change is available for inspection at the Office of the Secretary, the BSE, the Commission's Public Reference Room, and on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro/shtml>).

### II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

#### A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

##### 1. Purpose

As discussed in detail in the BOX Proposing Release,<sup>7</sup> the BSE proposes to

Barclay, General Counsel, Equitec Group, LLC, dated February 14, 2003; Michael J. Ryan, Jr., Executive Vice President & General Counsel, American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex"), dated February 14, 2003; Williams J. Brodsky, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. ("CBOE"), dated February 14, 2003; Paul Roesler, Lead Market Maker, Pacific Exchange, Inc. ("PCX"), dated February 14, 2003; Andrew W. Lo, dated February 15, 2003; Nicholas Bonn, Executive Vice President, State Street Global Markets, LLC, dated February 21, 2003; Robert Bellick, Christopher Gust, Wolverine Trading, LLC, dated February 27, 2003; Philip D. DeFeo, Chairman and CEO, PCX, dated February 27, 2003; Thomas N. McManus, Executive Director and Counsel, Morgan Stanley, dated March 3, 2003; Philip C. Smith, Jr., Vice President, Options, The Interstate Group, dated March 7, 2003; Bryan Rule, dated March 11, 2003; Michael J. Ryan, Jr., Executive Vice President & General Counsel, Amex, dated March 13, 2003; David Hultman, dated March 25, 2003; Stephen D. Barret, dated March 26, 2003; and John Welker, June 11, 2003.

<sup>7</sup> See *supra* note 5.

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.