

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

Written comments on the proposed rule change were neither solicited nor received.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁹ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder¹⁰ because it does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) may not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing unless the Commission designates a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.¹¹ Nasdaq has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay, which would make the rule change operative immediately upon filing with the Commission. The Commission believes waiving the 30-day operative date is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the proposed rule change provides greater transparency to issuers and investors and may reduce the likelihood of untimely notification of dividend declarations.¹² For these reasons, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective and operative upon filing with the Commission.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of a rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act,¹³ the Commission may summarily abrogate

the rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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. 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-NASDAQ-2007-094 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NASDAQ-2007-094. 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 Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Nasdaq. 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-NASDAQ-2007-094 and

should be submitted on or before February 21, 2008.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration # 11158 and # 11159]

Massachusetts Disaster # MA-00013

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts dated 01/25/2008.

Incident: Fire.

Incident Period: 01/21/2008.

Effective Date: 01/25/2008.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 03/25/2008.

Economic Injury (Eidl) Loan Application Deadline Date: 10/27/2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, 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:

Primary Counties:

Essex.

Contiguous Counties:

Massachusetts: Middlesex and Suffolk.

New Hampshire: Hillsborough and Rockingham.

The Interest Rates are:

| | Percent |
|---|---------|
| Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere | 5.500 |
| Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere | 2.750 |
| Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere | 8.000 |

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹¹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) requires that a self-regulatory organization submit to the Commission written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Commission notes that Nasdaq has satisfied the five-day pre-filing notice requirement.

¹² For purposes only of waiving the 30-day pre-operative period, the Commission has considered the impact of the proposed rule change on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

| | Percent |
|---|---------|
| Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |
| Other (Including Non-Profit Organizations) With Credit Available Elsewhere | 5.250 |
| Businesses And Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere | 4.000 |

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 11158 5 and for economic injury is 11159 0.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Dated: January 25, 2008.

Steven C. Preston,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Region IV North Florida District Advisory Council; Public Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app.2, section10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the U.S. Small Business Administration North Florida District Advisory Council will host a public meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 12 p.m. EST. The meeting will take place at the Jacksonville Port Authority located at 9810 August Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32226.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss such matters that may be presented by members, and staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, or others present. The agenda items will include a presentation by JaxPort Executive Director Rick Ferrin as well as matters of the SBA including loan reports and goals status for FY 2008. Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation to the Board must contact Wilfredo J. Gonzalez, District Director, in writing by letter or fax no later than Monday, February 4, 2008, in order to be placed on the agenda. Wilfredo J. Gonzalez, District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration, 7825 Baymeadows Way; Suite 100B, Jacksonville, FL 32256; Telephone (904) 443-1900 or FAX (904) 443-1980.

Cherylyn Lebon,

Committee Management Officer.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Houston District Advisory Council; Public Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, section 10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the U.S. Small Business Administration Houston District Advisory Council will hold a federal public meeting on Friday February 8, 2008, starting at 11 a.m. The meeting will take place at the U.S. Small Business Administration, Houston District Office, located at 8701 S. Gessner, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77074.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the following: Houston District Office Performance for 2007; Houston District Office Goals for 2008; National SBA Initiative; Local Issues from the Advisory Council Members; the Role of the District Offices through Centralization including Marketing, Processing and Legal; Community Express Loans; 504 Loans; 7(a) Loans; Patriot Express Loans; 8(a) Certification; SBA's Resource Partners—SBDC and SCORE; Small Business Week Awards Luncheon; MID America.

For further information, please contact Alfreda Crawford, Business Development Specialist, at the U.S. Small Business Administration, Houston District Office, 8701 S. Gessner, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77074; e-mail, Alfreda.Crawford@sba.gov; telephone (713) 773-6555.

Cherylyn Lebon,

Committee Management Officer.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

National Advisory Council; Public Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. APP. 2, section 10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) National Advisory Council (NAC) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 2 p.m. (eastern). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and outline FY 2008 projects for the NAC.

The meeting will be open to the public. Anyone wishing to participate must contact Mina Wales or Adrienne Abney-Cole by phone or e-mail in order to be added to the agenda. Mina Wales, NAC Designated Federal Officer, 202-205-7180, Mina.Wales@sba.gov or Adrienne Abney-Cole, NAC Committee

Management Specialist, 202-205-6742, Adrienne.Abney-Cole@sba.gov.

The meeting will take place using an audio conferencing system. To participate, please call our toll free conferencing service at 1-866-740-1260 and enter access code 3711001 at the prompt.

For more information about the National Advisory Council, please visit our Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/nac/index.html>.

Cherylyn Lebon,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 6087]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Land Border Crosser Survey (Passport Demand Study Phase II), OMB No.1405-0177, SV-2007-0021

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments and submission to OMB of proposed information collection.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- *Title of Information Collection:* Land Border Crosser Survey (Passport Demand Study Phase II)

- *OMB Control Number:* OMB No.1405-0177

- *Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Passport Services Office: CA/PPT

- *Form Number:* SV-2007-0021

- *Respondents:* A nationally representative sample of the United States land border crosser population

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,000 respondents per survey

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 8,000 responses per year.

- *Average Hours Per Response:* 10 minutes

- *Total Estimated Burden:* 1,334 hours annually

- *Frequency:* Passport will conduct the land border survey semi-annually (twice per year).

- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary.

DATES: Submit comments to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for up to March 3, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Direct comments and questions to Katherine Astrich, the