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Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of February, 2005.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 500-1]

### 21st Century Technologies, Inc.; Order of Suspension of Trading

February 18, 2005.

It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that there is a lack of current and accurate information concerning the securities of 21st Century Technologies, Inc., ("21st Century") because of questions that have been raised about the accuracy of publicly disseminated information concerning, among other things, the valuations assigned to certain purported assets of 21st Century in the company's most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in other filings with the Commission.

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

in the securities of the above listed company.

Therefore, it is ordered, pursuant to section 12(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that trading in the above listed company is suspended for the period from 9:30 a.m. e.s.t., February 18, 2005, through 11:59 p.m. e.s.t., on March 4, 2005.

By the Commission.

**Jonathan G. Katz,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the American Stock Exchange LLC To Require Members To Use and Maintain a Back-up Automatic Quote System in ANTE Classes

February 15, 2005.

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 January 12, 2005, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in items I, II and III below, which items have been prepared by the Amex. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

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

The Amex proposes to require members to use and maintain a back-up quoting system in ANTE classes and to incorporate violations of this requirement in the Exchange's Minor Rule Violation Plan ("Plan"). The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Amex's Web site (<http://www.amex.com>), at the Amex's Office of the Secretary, and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

#### 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 Amex included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the

proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in item IV below. The Amex 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

The Exchange seeks to amend Amex Rule 950-ANTE(l), Commentary .02(a) to require a Specialist utilizing an Exchange-approved proprietary automatic quote system in a class trading on Amex's ANTE system to have available for immediate use the Exchange-provided automatic quote system that is independent of the Specialist's primary automatic quote system. Specialists would be required to take appropriate provisions to immediately fall back onto the Exchange-provided automatic quotation system should their Exchange-approved proprietary automatic quote system fail. Included within "appropriate provisions" would be the requirement that Specialists be diligent in keeping their theoretical values current in their back-up system. This requirement would apply at all times during market hours. The Amex believes that the back-up system would need to be independent in order to ensure that any event that could cause a failure to the primary automatic quote system would not corrupt the back-up system.

The Exchange believes that the failure of a proprietary automatic quote system could result in the Amex's inability to open an entire group of listed options classes for a brief or sometimes lengthy time period. Thus, the Amex seeks to require that Specialists have the Exchange-provided automatic quotation system ready, as a back-up, should their primary automatic quote system fail. The Exchange believes that failure to comply with the proposed requirement should be subject to sanction under the Plan.

The Exchange has had the Plan since 1976, which provides a simplified procedure for the resolution of minor rule violations. Codified in Amex Rule 590, the Plan has three distinct sections: Part 1 ("General Rule Violations") which covers more substantive matters that, nonetheless, are deemed "minor" by the Commission and the Amex; Part 2 ("Floor Decorum") which covers Floor Decorum and operational matters; and Part 3 ("Reporting Violations") which

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

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