

requests for approval of extension on the following rule: Rule 15c2-1.

Rule 15c2-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.15c2-1) prohibits the commingling under the same lien of securities of margin customers (a) with other customers without their written consent and (b) with the broker or dealer. The rule also prohibits the rehypothecation of customers' margin securities for a sum in excess of the customer's aggregate indebtedness. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 2690 (November 15, 1940); Securities Exchange Act Release No. 9428 (December 29, 1971). Pursuant to Rule 15c2-1, respondents must collect information necessary to prevent the rehypothecation of customer securities in contravention of the rule, issue and retain copies of notices of hypothecation of customer securities in accordance with the rule, and collect written consents from customers in accordance with the rule. The information is necessary to ensure compliance with the rule and to advise customers of the rule's protections.

There are approximately 145 respondents (*i.e.*, broker-dealers that carry or clear customer accounts that also have bank loans) that require an aggregate total of 3263 hours to comply with the rule. Each of these approximately 145 registered broker-dealers makes an estimated 45 annual responses. Each response takes approximately 0.5 hours to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is 3263 burden hours.

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

Comments regarding the estimated burden hours should be directed to: (i) The Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or by sending an e-mail to David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312 or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: March 23, 2006.

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon written request, copies available from: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension: Rule 15c2-7; SEC File No. 270-420; OMB Control No. 3235-0479.

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 ("OMB") a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

- Rule 15c2-7, Identification of Quotations

Rule 15c2-7 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.15c2-7) enumerates the requirements with which brokers and dealers must comply when submitting a quotation for a security (other than a municipal security) to an inter-dealer quotation system.

It is estimated that there are 8,500 brokers and dealers. Industry personnel estimate that approximately 900 notices are filed pursuant to Rule 15c2-7 annually. Based on industry estimates that respondents complying with Rule 15c2-7 spend 30 seconds to add notice of an arrangement and 1 minute to delete notice of an arrangement, the staff estimates that, on an annual basis, respondents spend a total of 11.25 hours to comply with Rule 15c2-7, based upon past submissions. The average cost per hour is approximately \$35. Therefore, the total cost of compliance for brokers and dealers is approximately \$393.75

The retention period for the recordkeeping requirement under Rule 15c2-7 is three years following the date a quotation is submitted. The recordkeeping requirement under this Rule is mandatory to assist the Commission with monitoring brokers and dealers who submit quotations to an inter-dealer quotation system. 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

respond 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 following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or by sending an e-mail to David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312 or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: March 23, 2006.

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-53545; File No. SR-NYSEArca-2006-06]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; NYSE Arca, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto Relating To Extending the Time Period by Which the Exchange Will Amend the NASD-PCX Agreement Pursuant to Rule 17d-2

March 23, 2006.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on March 21, 2006, NYSE Arca, Inc. ("Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. On March 23, 2006, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ The Exchange filed the proposal as a "non-controversial" rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder,⁵ which renders the proposal effective upon filing with the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange revised the statutory basis section of the filing.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

Commission.⁶ The Commission is publishing this notice, as amended, 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 Exchange is proposing to amend its undertaking⁷ to extend for 90 days from the date of this filing the time period by which the Exchange will amend and restate the agreement between the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") and the Exchange currently in place pursuant to Rule 17d-2 under the Act⁸ (the "NASD-PCX Agreement" or the "Agreement"). As described in more detail below, the revisions to the NASD-PCX Agreement will expand the scope of the NASD's regulatory responsibility.

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

On September 22, 2005, the Commission approved a proposed rule change submitted by the Exchange relating to the acquisition of PCX Holdings, Inc. (now known as NYSE Arca Holdings, Inc.)⁹ by Archipelago Holdings, Inc.¹⁰ In that filing, the Exchange (formerly known as the Pacific Exchange, Inc.) committed to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement

within 90 days of the Commission's approval of SR-PCX-2005-90 to expand the scope of the NASD's regulatory functions under the NASD-PCX Agreement so as to encompass all of the regulatory oversight and enforcement responsibilities with respect to the broker-dealer affiliate of Archipelago Holdings, Inc., Archipelago Securities, L.L.C. ("Archipelago Securities").¹¹ The Exchange submitted a subsequent filing on December 21, 2005 requesting a 90-day extension with respect to the requirements discussed above.¹² The Exchange and the NASD (collectively, the "Parties") have executed an amended and restated agreement and, on January 20, 2006, the Parties filed the amended and restated agreement with the Commission but have not yet received Commission approval of the amended and restated agreement.

The Exchange believes that an extension of time for an additional 90 days from the date of this filing to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement will give the Commission staff sufficient time to publish and take action on the proposal. There is currently a plan in place (*i.e.*, the NASD-PCX Agreement) allocating to the NASD the responsibility to receive regulatory reports from Archipelago Securities, to examine Archipelago Securities for compliance and to enforce compliance by Archipelago Securities with the Act, the rules and regulations thereunder and the rules of the NASD, and to carry out other specified regulatory functions with respect to Archipelago Securities. The Exchange notes that the current NASD-PCX Agreement will remain in full force and effect during the interim period, and the Exchange will continue to abide by the terms of the agreement. The Exchange believes, therefore, that the requested extension of time is consistent with the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, and will not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest and does not impose any significant burden on competition.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with Section 6(b)¹³ of the Act, in general, and furthers the

objectives of Section 6(b)(5)¹⁴ of the Act, in particular, in that it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change, as amended, will impose any burden on competition that is not 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, as amended, were neither solicited nor received by the Exchange.

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

Because the foregoing rule: (i) Does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) does not impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) by its terms, does not become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate if consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest,¹⁵ the proposed rule change has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act¹⁶ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹⁷

The Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay, which would make the rule change effective and operative upon filing. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest.

⁶ The Exchange has asked the Commission to waive the 5-day pre-filing notice requirement and the 30-day operative delay. See Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act, and Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) thereunder. 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A), 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

⁷ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52497 (September 22, 2005), 70 FR 56949 (September 29, 2005) (approving SR-PCX-2005-90, as amended).

⁸ 17 CFR 240.17d-2. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 16858 (May 30, 1980), 45 FR 37927 (June 5, 1980) (File No. 4-267).

⁹ See SR-PCX-2006-24.

¹⁰ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52497, *supra* note 7.

¹¹ Archipelago Securities acts as the outbound order router for the NYSE Arca Marketplace and, as such, is regulated as an exchange "facility" of the Exchange and NYSE Arca Equities, Inc.

¹² See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 52995 (December 21, 2005), 70 FR 77232 (December 29, 2005) (notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of SR-PCX-2005-140, as amended). This 90-day extension period expired on March 21, 2006.

¹³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹⁵ Pursuant to Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act, the Exchange is required to give 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 Exchange has requested that the Commission waive the 5-day pre-filing notice requirement. The Commission has determined to waive this requirement.

¹⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

Because the current time period expired on March 21, 2006, such waiver will allow the Exchange to remain in compliance with its undertaking made in connection with the Commission's approval of SR-PCX-2005-90 to amend the NASD-PCX Agreement. The Commission notes that the Exchange has filed with the Commission, on January 20, 2006, an executed amended and restated agreement. Extending the compliance date for the Exchange's undertaking by an additional 90 days will provide time for the Exchange to respond to any comments from the Commission's staff on the amended and restated agreement, as well as provide time for publication of, and action on, the amended and restated agreement. The Commission further notes that the current Commission-approved NASD-PCX Agreement will remain in full force and effect during the interim period, and the Exchange will continue to abide by the terms of that Agreement. For these reasons, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective and operative upon filing with the Commission.¹⁸

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such 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.¹⁹

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, 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 NYSEArca-2006-06 on the subject line.

¹⁸For the purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁹For purposes of calculating the 60-day period within which the Commission may summarily abrogate the proposed rule change under Section 19(b)(3)(C) of the Act, the Commission considers the period to commence on March 23, 2006, the date on which the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1. See 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(C).

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 NYSEArca-2006-06. 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. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. 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 NYSEArca-2006-06 and should be submitted on or before April 20, 2006.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.²⁰

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5357]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "The Gospel of Judas"

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat.

2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition "The Gospel of Judas," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the National Geographic Society, Washington, DC, from on or about April 6, 2006, until on or about October 6, 2006, and possibly at other venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these Determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Julianne Simpson, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202/453-8049). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Room 700, Washington, D.C. 20547-0001.

Dated: March 27, 2006.

C. Miller Crouch,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending March 10, 2006

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1382 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: OST-2006-24132.

Date Filed: March 7, 2006.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC2 Mail Vote 475; Special Amending Resolution 010f Between Germany and Europe.

Intended effective date: 1 April 2006.

Docket Number: OST-2006-24136.

Date Filed: March 8, 2006.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

²⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).