

Each contention shall be given a separate numeric or alpha designation within one of the following groups:

1. Technical—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in technical documents for the proposed action.
2. Environmental—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the environmental documents for the proposed action.
3. Emergency Planning—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Emergency Plan as it relates to the proposed action.
4. Physical Security—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Physical Security Plan as it relates to the proposed action.
5. Miscellaneous—does not fall into one of the categories outlined above.

If the requester/petitioner believes a contention raises issues that cannot be classified as primarily falling into one of these categories, the requester/petitioner must set forth the contention and supporting bases, in full, separately for each category into which the requester/petitioner asserts the contention belongs with a separate designation for that category.

Requesters/petitioners should, when possible, consult with each other in preparing contentions and combine similar subject matter concerns into a joint contention, for which one of the co-sponsoring requesters/petitioners is designated the lead representative. Further, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.309(f)(3), any requester/petitioner that wishes to adopt a contention proposed by another requester/petitioner must do so, in accordance with the E-Filing rule, within ten (10) days of the date the contention is filed, and designate a representative who shall have the authority to act for the requester/petitioner.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.309(g), a request for hearing and/or petition for leave to intervene may also address the selection of the hearing procedures, taking into account the provisions of 10 CFR 2.310.

III. Further Information

Documents related to this action are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this Notice are ML071020274,

Letter from T. Hardgrove, COGEMA Mining, Re: Request for Amendment to License SUA-1341 for Restart of Irigaray/Christensen Ranch Facilities, and ML080140205, Tom Hardgrove ltr re: Amendment Request to Change From Restoration and Decommissioning Status to Operating Status, Irigaray/Christensen Ranch Facilities, Cogema Mining, Inc. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov. These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of March, 2008.

For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Keith I. McConnell,

Deputy Director, Decommissioning and Uranium Recovery, Licensing Directorate, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Progress Energy; Notice of Receipt and Availability of Application for a Combined License

On February 19, 2008, Progress Energy (PE, or the applicant) filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) pursuant to Section 103 of the Atomic Energy Act and 10 CFR part 52, an application for a combined license (COL) for two AP1000 advanced passive pressurized water power reactors at the Shearon Harris facility near the town of New Hill in Wake County, North Carolina. The reactors are to be identified as Shearon Harris Units 2 and 3.

An applicant may seek a COL in accordance with Subpart C of 10 CFR part 52. The information submitted by the applicant includes certain administrative information such as financial qualifications submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 52.77, as well as technical information submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 52.79. The applicant also requested exemptions from certain requirements of Section IV.A.2.a

Appendix D to 10 CFR part 52 and 10 CFR 52.79(a)(44), as documented in part 7 of the application.

Subsequent **Federal Register** notices will address the acceptability of the tendered COL application for docketing and provisions for participation of the public in the COL review process.

A copy of the application is available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, members of the public can access the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS), which provides text and files of the NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession number for the application is ML080580078. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC Public Document Room staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov. The application may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee. The application is also available at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/col.html>.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of March 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Serita Sanders,

Project Manager, AP1000 Projects Branch 2, Division of New Reactor Licensing, Office of New Reactors.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meeting during the week of March 17, 2008:

A Closed Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at 2 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5

U.S.C. 552b(c)(3) (5), (6), (7), (9)(B), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (6), (7), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Casey, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the closed meeting in closed session.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 19, 2008 will be:

Formal orders of investigation;
Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Resolution of litigation claims;
Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature;

A collection matter;

A matter related to an enforcement proceeding; and

A matter related to investigative techniques and procedures.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items.

For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Dated: March 12, 2008.

Nancy M. Morris,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange, LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change To Amend Rules Pertaining to the Terms of Index Option Contracts

March 7, 2008.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on February 19, 2008, American Stock Exchange, LLC ("Amex" or "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 substantially by Amex. Amex filed the proposed rule change as a "non-controversial" proposed rule change pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)

of the Act³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder,⁴ which renders it effective upon filing with the Commission. 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

Amex proposes to add new Commentary .05 to Rule 903C to allow the listing of up to seven expiration months for options on certain broad-based indexes.

The text of the proposed rule change is available at <http://www.amex.com>, the principal office of Amex, and 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, 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. 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 proposes to add new Commentary .05 to Amex Rule 903C (Series of Stock Index Options) to allow the Exchange to list up to seven (7) expiration months for index options based on broad-based securities indexes (including reduced-value and jumbo) upon which a constant three-month volatility index is calculated. Currently, subparagraphs (i) and (ii) to Rule 903C(a) permit the Exchange to list only six (6) expiration months in any stock index option at any one time.

Volatility products offer investors a unique set of tools for hedging. For example, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE") Volatility Index ("VIX") options, first introduced in February 2006, have proven to be one of CBOE's most successful new products ever listed, currently averaging over 90,000 contracts traded per day. In a recent proposal, CBOE explained that it plans to introduce new volatility products and new volatility indexes in the near future, including the CBOE S&P 500

Three-Month Volatility Index ("VXV").⁵ Similar to the VIX, the VXV is a measure of S&P 500 implied volatility, the volatility implied by S&P option prices. Instead of reflecting a constant one-month implied volatility period, however, VXV is designed to reflect the implied volatility of an option with a constant three months to expiration. Since there is only one day on which an option has exactly three months to expiration, VXV is calculated as a weighted average of options expiring immediately before and immediately after the three-month standard. Accordingly, an index calculator would need to use four consecutive expiration months in order to calculate a constant three-month volatility index.⁶

Under the current application of subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of Amex Rule 903C(a), the Exchange generally lists three consecutive near term months and three months on a quarterly expiration cycle. One of the three consecutive near term months is always a quarterly month; however, that near term contract month (which is also a quarterly month) is not included as part of the three months listed on a quarterly expiration cycle. Therefore, in order to permit the addition of four consecutive near term months under Rule 903C(a), the Exchange would only be able to list two months on a quarterly expiration cycle. Because of customer demand and other investment strategy reasons for having three months on a quarterly expiration cycle, the Exchange is seeking to increase, from six to seven, the number of expiration months for broad-based security index options upon which a constant three-month volatility index is calculated.

Proposed Commentary .05 to Rule 903C will permit the Exchange to list up to seven expiration months at any one time for any broad-based security index option contract⁷ upon which any exchange calculates a constant three-month volatility index. As a result, the Exchange, eight times a year, would be able to add an additional seventh expiration month in order to

⁵ CBOE calculates volatility indexes on other broad-based security indexes, such as the Dow Jones Industrial Average index ("DJX"), the Nasdaq-100 index ("NDX"), and the Russell 2000 index ("RUT"). CBOE may calculate a constant three-month volatility index on DJX, NDX, or RUT in the future. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56821 (November 20, 2007), 72 FR 66210 (November 27, 2007) (SR-CBOE-2007-82) ("CBOE Proposal").

⁶ See *Id.* In CBOE Proposal, CBOE provides examples illustrating the need for a seventh month in order to maintain four consecutive near term contract months.

⁷ See Amex Rule 900C(b)(1). Examples of such broad-based securities indexes include the S&P 500, DJX, NDX and RUT.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).