leave to intervene must set forth with particularity the contentions sought to be raised. For each contention, the request or petition must:

1. Provide a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted;

2. Provide a brief explanation of the basis for the contention;

3. Demonstrate that the issue raised in the contention is within the scope of the proceeding;

4. Demonstrate that the issue raised in the contention is material to the findings that the NRC must make to support the action that is involved in the proceeding;

5. Provide a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinions which support the requester's/petitioner's position on the issue and on which the requester/petitioner intends to rely to support its position on the issue; and

6. Provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. This information must include references to specific portions of the application (including the applicant's environmental report and safety report) that the requester/petitioner disputes and the supporting reasons for each dispute, or, if the requester/petitioner believes the application fails to contain information on a relevant matter as required by law, the identification of each failure and the supporting reasons for the requester's/petitioner's belief.

In addition, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.309(f)(2), contentions must be based on documents or other information available at the time the petition is to be filed, such as the application, supporting safety analysis report, environmental report or other supporting document filed by an applicant or licensee, or otherwise available to the petitioner. On issues arising under the National Environmental Policy Act, the requester/petitioner shall file contentions based on the applicant's environmental report. The requester/ petitioner may amend those contentions or file new contentions if there are data or conclusions in the NRC draft, or final environmental impact statement, environmental assessment, or any supplements relating thereto, that differ significantly from the data or conclusions in the applicant's documents. Otherwise, contentions may be amended or new contentions filed after the initial filing only with leave of the presiding officer.

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 the Safety Evaluation Report for the proposed action.

2. Environmental—primarily concerns issues relating to matters discussed or referenced in the Environmental Report for the proposed action.

3. 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 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, including the application for amendment and supporting documentation, 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: Request for License **Renewal Transmittal Letter** (ML073470645), License Renewal Application (combined technical and environmental reports), Part 1 (ML073480266), License Renewal Application (combined technical and environmental reports), Part 2 (ML073480267), and the acceptance review letter dated March 28, 2008 (ML080720341). 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 email to *pdr@nrc.gov*.

These documents 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.

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 31st day of March, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. William vonTill,

Branch Chief, Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs.

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

#### **Excepted Service**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

## ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This gives notice of OPM decisions granting authority to make appointments under Schedules A, B, and C in the excepted service as required by 5 CFR 6.6 and 213.103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Penn, Group Manager, Executive Resources Services Group, Center for Human Resources, Division for Human Capital Leadership and Merit System Accountability, 202–606–2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Appearing in the listing below are the individual authorities established under Schedules A, B, and C between February 1, 2008, and February 29, 2008. Future notices will be published on the fourth Tuesday of each month, or as soon as possible thereafter. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 is published each year.

## Schedule A

No Schedule A appointments were approved for February 2008.

# Schedule B

No Schedule B appointments were approved for February 2008.

## Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointments were approved during February 2008.

Section 213.3303 Executive Office of the President

Office of National Drug Control Policy

- QQGS80005 Confidential Assistant to the Director. Effective February 27, 2008.
- QQGS80007 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff. Effective February 28, 2008.

Office of Management and Budget

BOGS70018 Legislative Analyst to the Associate Director for Legislative Affairs. Effective February 13, 2008.

BOGS80006 Press Secretary to the Associate Director for Communications. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3304 Department of State

- DSGS60980 Staff Assistant to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and Security Affairs. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DSGS61225 Legislative Management Officer to the Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DSGS61269 Protocol Officer (Ceremonials) to the Chief of Protocol. Effective February 12, 2008.
- DSGS61290 Deputy Assistant Secretary to the Assistant Secretary for Economic and Business Affairs. Effective February 12, 2008.
- DSGS61291 Staff Assistant to the Chief Financial Officer. Effective February 12, 2008.
- DSGS61060 Protocol Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Protocol. Effective February 26, 2008.

Section 213.3305 Department of the Treasury

- DYGS00440 Public Affairs Specialist to the Assistant Secretary (Public Affairs) and Director of Policy Planning. Effective February 08, 2008.
- DYGS00503 Senior Advisor to the Director of the Mint. Effective February 08, 2008.
- DYGS00464 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary (Deputy Under Secretary) for Legislative Affairs. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3306 Department of Defense

- DDGS17122 Public Affairs Specialist to the Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs). Effective February 06, 2008.
- DDGS17134 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense

(Legislative Affairs). Effective February 13, 2008.

- DDGS17131 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict and Interdependent Capabilities). Effective February 26, 2008.
- DDGS17126 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs). Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3307 Department of the Army

- DWGS60087 Personal and Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Army. Effective February 19, 2008.
- DWGS00091 Program Analyst (Business Transformation Initiatives) to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Army for Business Transformation Initiatives. Effective February 26, 2008.
- DWGS00093 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environment). Effective February 26, 2008.

Section 213.3308 Department of the Navy

DNGS08060 Confidential Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy. Effective February 06, 2008.

Section 213.3309 Department of the Air Force

DFGS00010 Secretary to the Assistant Secretary (Financial Management and Comptroller). Effective February 26, 2008.

Section 213.3310 Department of Justice

- DJGS00160 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Attorney General (Legislative Affairs). Effective February 04, 2008.
- DJGS00159 Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General (Legal Policy). Effective February 26, 2008.

Section 213.3311 Department of Homeland Security

- DMGS00746 Staff Assistant to the White House Liaison. Effective February 20, 2008.
- DMGS00606 Component Liaison Officer to the Executive Director for Operations and Administration. Effective February 26, 2008.
- DMGS00689 Advance Representative to the Director of Scheduling and
- Advance. Effective February 26, 2008. DMGS00516 Confidential Assistant to the Executive Director for Operations and Administration. Effective February 29, 2008.

DMGS00745 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3312 Department of the Interior

- DIGS01115 Associate Director— External and Intergovernmental Affairs to the Director, External and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective February 21, 2008.
- DIGS01114 Chief of Staff to the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3313 Department of Agriculture

- DAGS00931 Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Under Secretary, Research, Education and Economics. Effective February 08, 2008.
- DAGS00932 Special Assistant to the Administrator, Rural Housing Service. Effective February 28, 2008.
- DAGS00933 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3314 Department of Commerce

- DCGS00541 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Domestic Operations. Effective February 04, 2008.
- DCGS00290 Special Assistant to the Senior Advisor. Effective February 19, 2008.
- DCGS00162 Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for Market Access and Compliance. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3315 Department of Labor

- DLGS00171 Special Assistant to the Director of Scheduling. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DLGS60117 Special Assistant to the Wage and Hour Administrator. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DLGS60198 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management. Effective February 15, 2008.
- DLGS60122 Senior Advisor to the Wage and Hour Administrator. Effective February 20, 2008.
- DLGS60161 Attorney Advisor to the Solicitor of Labor. Effective February 20, 2008.
- DLGS60138 Chief of Staff to the Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health. Effective February 27, 2008.
- DLGS60219 Staff Assistant to the Director, 21st Century Office and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective February 27, 2008.

- DLGS60217 Senior Legislative Officer to the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective February 29, 2008.
- DLGS60272 Special Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff. Effective February 29, 2008.

# Section 213.3316 Department of Health and Human Services

- DHGS60065 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DHGS60539 Special Assistant to the General Counsel. Effective February 13, 2008.
- DHGS60066 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 19, 2008.

Section 213.3317 Department of Education

- DBGS00663 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Media Relations and Strategic Communications. Effective February 13, 2008.
- DBGS00421 Confidential Assistant to the Special Assistant. Effective February 14, 2008.
- DBGS00436 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Media Relations and Strategic Communications. Effective February
- 14, 2008.
- DBGS00586 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Media Relations and Strategic Communications. Effective February

14, 2008.

- DBGS00664 Chief of Staff to the Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education. Effective February 15, 2008.
- DBGS00249 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education. Effective February 19, 2008.
- DBGS00614 Confidential Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Communications and Outreach. Effective February 20, 2008.
- DBGS00368 Confidential Assistant to the Special Assistant. Effective February 22, 2008.
- DBGS00184 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 28, 2008.
- DBGS00604 Deputy Director, Office of International Affairs to the Director, International Affairs Office. Effective February 28, 2008.
- DBGS00662 Deputy Assistant Secretary to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Communications and Outreach. Effective February 28, 2008.
- DBGS00222 Confidential Assistant to the Director, Scheduling and Advance Staff. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3325 United States Tax Court

- JCGS60070 Trial Clerk to the Chief Judge. Effective February 11, 2008.
- JCGS60055 Secretary (Confidential Assistant) to the Chief Judge. Effective February 29, 2008.

Section 213.3331 Department of Energy

- DEGS00637 Assistant Press Secretary to the Director, Public Affairs. Effective February 01, 2008.
- DEGS00638 Public Affairs Specialist to the Director of Congressional Intergovernmental and Public Affairs. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DEGS00639 Case Analyst to the Director, Investment Security. Effective February 27, 2008.
- DEGS00640 Trip Coordinator to the Director, Office of Scheduling and Advance. Effective February 28, 2008.

Section 213.3332 Small Business Administration

- SBGS00649 Senior Advisor to the Associate Administrator for Capital Access. Effective February 05, 2008.
- SBGS00652 Congressional Liaison to the Assistant Administrator for Congressional and Legislative Affairs. Effective February 05, 2008.
- SBGS00190 Deputy Chief of Staff to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 12, 2008.
- SBGS00650 Senior Advisor to the Deputy Administrator. Effective February 12, 2008.
- SBGS00653 Deputy General Counsel to the General Counsel. Effective February 22, 2008.

Section 213.3360 Consumer Product Safety Commission

- PSGS60064 Special Assistant (Legal) to a Commissioner. Effective February 15, 2008.
- PSGS72150 Staff Assistant to a Commissioner. Effective February 15, 2008.

Section 213.3384 Department of Housing and Urban Development

- DUGS60179 Advance Coordinator to the Director of Executive Scheduling. Effective February 07, 2008.
- DUGS60249 Congressional Relations Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations. Effective February 07, 2008.
- DUGS60522 Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grant Programs to the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development. Effective February 08, 2008.

Section 213.3393 Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

BGSL00096 Chief of Staff to the Interim Director. Effective February 05, 2008.

# Section 213.3394 Department of Transportation

- DTGS60258 Associate Director for Governmental Affairs to the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs. Effective February 05, 2008.
- DTGS60192 Special Assistant to the Assistant to the Secretary and Director of Public Affairs. Effective February 12, 2008.
- DTGS60197 Confidential Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective February 12, 2008.
- DTOT00240 Deputy Assistant Administrator for Communications to the Assistant Administrator for Communications. Effective February 13, 2008.
- DTGS60129 Counselor to the General Counsel. Effective February 29, 2008.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

# Howard C. Weizmann,

Deputy Director.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–57589; File No. SR–Amex– 2008–09]

# Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 1 Thereto, Relating to Options Linkage Fees

April 1, 2008.

## I. Introduction

On February 8, 2008, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> a proposed rule change relating to fees for trades executed through the intermarket options linkage (the "Options Linkage"). On February 19, 2008, Amex submitted Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on

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

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