

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. NYSE 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 reduce the fee charged to floor brokers in connection with the routing of their orders to other markets from \$0.0030 per share to \$0.0029 per share. The routing fee charged to all other market participants will remain at \$0.0030 per share.⁵ While the change to the Exchange's 2008 Price List pursuant to this proposal will be effective upon filing, the change will become operative on May 1, 2008.

The Exchange believes that it is justified in charging a slightly lower routing fee to floor brokers because of their importance to the continuation of the floor as an integral part of the Exchange's market model, which integrates the auction market with automated trading. Essential to this model is the interaction between the specialists, floor brokers and orders in the Display Book system, which creates opportunities for price improvement, provides information about changing market conditions and serves as a catalyst to trading. The Exchange believes that this decrease in the routing fee will assist floor brokers in remaining competitive.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act⁶ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁷ in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its members and other persons using its facilities. The Exchange believes that

⁵ The Exchange represents that: (i) these routing fees are charged only to Exchange member organizations; and (ii) customers have the ability to submit an order that can only be executed at the Exchange itself and may not be routed to other markets, and therefore the possibility that an order would be routed is within the customer's control. See e-mail from John Carey, Assistant General Counsel, Exchange, to Nathan Saunders, Special Counsel, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated April 28, 2008.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

the proposed reduction in the routing fee for floor brokers represents an equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges because floor brokers are integral to the Exchange's market model and the proposed fee reduction will assist floor brokers in remaining competitive.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purpose of the Exchange Act.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

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

The foregoing proposed rule change is filed pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act⁸ and subparagraph (f)(2) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder⁹ because it establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge applicable only to a member imposed by a self-regulatory organization. Accordingly, the proposal is effective upon Commission receipt of the filing. 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.

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-NYSE-2008-31 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-NYSE-2008-31. 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 NYSE. 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-NYSE-2008-31 and should be submitted on or before May 23, 2008.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁰

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #11206 and #11207]

Arkansas Disaster Number AR-00018

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Amendment 3.

SUMMARY: This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Arkansas (FEMA-1751-DR), dated 03/28/2008.

Incident: Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Incident Period: 03/18/2008 and continuing.

Effective Date: 04/21/2008.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 05/27/2008.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/29/2008.

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: The notice of the Presidential disaster declaration for the State of Arkansas, dated 03/28/2008 is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Conway, Garland, Hot Spring, Newton, Washington.

Contiguous Counties:

Arkansas: Clark, Dallas.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

M. Mitravich, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of the Presidential disaster declaration for the State of Arkansas, dated 03/28/2008 is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties:

Cleburne, Crawford, Jefferson, Lee, Miller, Phillips, Saint Francis, Searcy, Sebastian, White, Yell.

Contiguous Counties:

Arkansas: Cleveland, Desha, Hempstead, Lafayette, Lincoln, Little River.

Louisiana: Bossier, Caddo.

Mississippi: Bolivar, Coahoma, Tunica.

Oklahoma: Sequoyah.

Texas: Bowie, Cass.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, e-mail, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer to the addresses or fax numbers listed below.

(SSA), Social Security Administration, DCBFM, Attn: Reports Clearance Officer, 1333 Annex Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410-965-6400, E-mail address: OPLM.RCO@ssa.gov.

The information collections listed below are pending at SSA. SSA will submit them to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, submit your comments to SSA within 60 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-0454 or by writing to the address listed above.

1. Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program—20 CFR 411—0960-0644

The Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program allows individuals with disabilities who are receiving Social Security Disability Insurance benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments to work toward decreased dependence on government cash benefits programs without jeopardizing their benefits during the transition period to employment. Disability payment recipients choose a service provider who will guide them in obtaining, regaining, and maintaining self-supporting employment. 20 CFR 411.140-.730 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* discusses the regulations governing this program. We show the multiple categories of information collection requirements in these regulations in the chart below. The respondents are individuals entitled to Social Security benefits based on disability or individuals receiving SSI; program managers (PMs); employee network (EN) contractors; and State vocational rehabilitation agencies (SVRA).

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 121,981.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 46,553 hours.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #11206 and #11207]

Arkansas Disaster Number AR-00018

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Amendment 4.

SUMMARY: This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Arkansas (FEMA-1751-DR), dated 03/28/2008.

Incident: Severe Storms, Tornadoes, and Flooding.

Incident Period: 03/18/2008 and continuing.

Effective Date: 04/23/2008.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 05/27/2008.

EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/29/2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law (Pub. L.) 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes new information collections, revisions to OMB-approved information collections, and extensions (no change) of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the Agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility and clarity; and how to minimize the burden on respondents,