

Commission also notes that the Board's oversight of Admissions Committee decisions is similar to the rules adopted by certain other SROs.<sup>18</sup>

The Commission finds Amendment No. 3 consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange. Specifically, the Commission finds that the proposal is consistent with the requirements of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, because it removes impediments to and perfects the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system. Amendment No. 3 ensures that the advisory committee reviewing the validity of claims and giving an advisory opinion to the Board is balanced with the appointment of two non-industry governors to the committee.

The Commission finds good cause to approve Amendment No. 3 to the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice of filing of the amendment in the **Federal Register**. Specifically, Amendment No. 3, merely clarifies the administrative procedures for reviewing the validity of claims asserted against the membership, thus, adding greater transparency to the review process. Accordingly, the Commission believes that there is good cause, consistent with Sections 6(b)(5) and 19(b) of the Act,<sup>19</sup> to approve Amendment No. 3 to the proposal on an accelerated basis.

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning Amendment No. 3, including whether Amendment No. 3 is consistent with Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20549-0609. 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 at the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at

the principal office of the exchange. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-PHLX-98-23 and should be submitted by July 21, 1999.

#### V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>20</sup> that the proposed rule change (SR-PHLX-98-23), as amended, is approved.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>21</sup>

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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#### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

##### [Declaration of Disaster #3193]

##### State of Alabama

Jefferson County and the contiguous counties of Bibb, Blount, Saint Clair, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, and Walker in the State of Alabama constitute a disaster area as a result of damages caused by flash flooding that occurred on June 14, 1999. Applications for loans for physical damages may be filed until the close of business on August 20, 1999 and for economic injury until the close of business on March 21, 2000 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 2 Office, One Baltimore Place, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30308.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere .....	6.875
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere .....	3.437
Businesses with credit available elsewhere .....	8.000
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere .....	4.000
Others (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere .....	7.000
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere .....	4.000

The numbers assigned to this disaster are 319306 for physical damage and 9D1200 for economic injury.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: June 21, 1999.

**Aida Alvarez,**

*Administrator.*

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#### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

##### [Declaration of Disaster #3185]

##### State of Colorado; Amendment #2

In accordance with a notice received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency dated June 17, 1999, the above-numbered Declaration is hereby amended to expand the incident type for this disaster to include landslides and mudslides, in addition to severe storms and flooding, beginning on April 29 and continuing through May 19, 1999.

All other information remains the same, i.e., the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is July 15, 1999, and for economic injury the deadline is February 17, 2000.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: June 18, 1999.

**Bernard Kulik,**

*Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.*

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#### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

##### [Declaration of Disaster #3192]

##### State of Illinois

Coles County and the contiguous counties of Clark, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Moultrie and Shelby in the State of Illinois constitute a disaster area as a result of damages caused by severe storms and flooding that occurred on June 1, 1999. Applications for loans for physical damages as a result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on August 16, 1999 and for economic injury until the close of business on March 17, 2000 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 2 Office, One Baltimore Place, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30308.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere .....	6.875
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere .....	3.437

<sup>18</sup> See CBOE Rule 19.5 and AMEX, Constitution, Article IV, § 1(g).

<sup>19</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78(f)(5) and 78s(b).

<sup>20</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>21</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3 (a)(12).

	Percent
Businesses with credit available elsewhere .....	8.000
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere .....	4.000
Others (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere .....	7.000
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere .....	4.000

The numbers assigned to this disaster are 319206 for physical damage and 9D1100 for economic injury.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: June 17, 1999.

**Aida Alvarez,**  
Administrator.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Interest Rates

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the optional "peg" rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 5½ percent for the July-September quarter of FY 99.

**Arnold S. Rosenthal,**  
Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance.  
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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Washington, DC District Advisory Council, Public Meeting

The U.S. Small Business Administration Washington, DC District Advisory Council, located in the metropolitan area of Washington, DC, will hold a public meeting from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Wednesday, June 30, 1999, at Creative Associates, Inc., 5301 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 700,

Washington, DC, to discuss such matters as may be presented by members, staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, or others present.

For further information, write or call Anita L. Irving, Public Information Officer, U.S. Small Business Administration, 1110 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Suite 900 (P.O. Box 34500), Washington, DC 20043-4500; telephone 202-606-4000, ext. 275.

**Andrew A. Rivera,**  
Deputy Director of External Affairs.  
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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Wisconsin State Advisory Council

#### Public Hearing

The U.S. Small Business Administration Wisconsin State Advisory Council, located in the geographical area of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will hold a public meeting from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. July 17, 1999 at Metro Milwaukee Area Chamber (MMAC) Association of Commerce Building; 756 North Milwaukee Street, Fourth Floor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin to discuss such matters as may be presented by members, staff of the U. S. Small Business Administration, or others present.

For further information, write or call Yolanda Lassiter, U.S. Small Business Administration, 310 West Wisconsin Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203; Fax (414) 297-3928.

**Andrew A. Rivera,**  
Deputy Director of External Affairs.  
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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request

In compliance with Pub. L. 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, SSA is providing notice of its information collections that require submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). 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 on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The information collections listed below will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, comments and recommendations regarding the information collections would be most useful if received by the Agency within 60 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the address listed at the end of the notices. You can obtain a copy of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4145, or by writing to him.

### 1. Disability Evaluation Study-0960-NEW

The Social Security Administration is sponsoring the Disability Evaluation Study (DES); a national disability study of the civilian non-institutionalized population of working-age adults aged 18-69. The DES will provide a key source of data for disability program and policy goals of critical interest to SSA, Congress, and others. SSA will collect information from individuals, aged 18 to 69 years, and their medical providers. SSA will use the information to:

- Estimate and project the size of the potential pool of eligible persons, that is, severely impaired working age individuals who, but for work or other reasons, meet SSA's definition of disability;
- Determine what enables individuals with severe impairments to work;
- Construct self-reported disability measures to be included on national surveys to monitor future program changes and changes in the pool of eligible persons;
- Examine relationships between disability and retirement for older workers;
- Evaluate ways to improve the current disability decision process, such as use of additional objective performance measures.

Following is a listing of the information that will be collected and the burden imposed on the public:

Title of collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden hours per response	Estimated annual burden hours
<b>Pilot Study</b>				
Focus groups, cognitive laboratory studies, and pretest .....	100	1	2.00	200
In-person canvassing for area probability sample .....	11,795	1	0.08	944