

proven, would be of no consequence in the proceeding because it would not entitle petitioner to relief.

A person permitted to intervene becomes a party to the proceeding, subject to any limitations imposed pursuant to 10 CFR 2.714(f). Unless otherwise expressly provided in the order allowing intervention, the granting of a petition for leave to intervene does not change or enlarge the issues specified in the notice of hearing.

Petitions for leave to intervene may be filed by delivery to the NRC Public Document Room at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852-2738, or by mail addressed to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. Because of the continuing disruptions in delivery of mail to United States Government offices, it is also requested that petitions for leave to intervene be transmitted to the Secretary of the Commission either by facsimile transmission to 301-415-1101 or by e-mail to hearingdocket@nrc.gov. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Assistant General Counsel for Reactor Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Thomas S. O'Neill, Associate General Counsel Exelon Nuclear, 4300 Winfield Road, Warrenville, IL 60555, and to Stephen Frantz, Esquire, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, 1111 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004. All petitions must be accompanied by proof of service upon all parties to the proceeding or their attorneys of record.

A person who is not a party may, in the discretion of the presiding officer, be permitted to make a limited appearance by making an oral or written statement of his position on the issues at any session of the hearing or any prehearing conference within such limits and on such conditions as may be fixed by the presiding officer, but may not otherwise participate in the proceeding.

A copy of the Exelon ESP application is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records are accessible from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. The accession number for the application is ML032721596. 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, 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

The application is also available to local residents at the Vespasian Warner Public Library in Clinton, Illinois, and it is available on the NRC Web page at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/license-reviews/esp.html>.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of December, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Policy Statement on the Treatment of Environmental Justice Matters in NRC Regulatory and Licensing Actions

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft policy statement: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On November 5, 2003 (68 FR 62642), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published for public comment a draft policy statement on the treatment of environmental justice matters in NRC regulatory and licensing actions. Several persons have subsequently requested an extension of time for submitting comments. In the interest of obtaining public comment from the broadest range of stakeholders, the comment period on the draft policy statement is being extended for an additional 30 days from the original January 5, 2004 deadline to February 4, 2004.

DATES: The comment period on this draft policy statement has been extended and now expires on February 4, 2004. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. Deliver comments to: 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., on Federal workdays. Because of continuing disruptions in the delivery of mail to United States Government offices, it is requested that comments also be transmitted to the Secretary of

the Commission either by means of facsimile transmission to (301) 415-1101, or by e-mail to SECY@nrc.gov. You may also provide comments via NRC's interactive rulemaking Web site (<http://ruleforum.llnl.gov>). This site also provides the availability to upload comments as files if your Web browser supports that function. Comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, or at NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Lieberman, Special Counsel, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001. Telephone: (301) 415-2746; fax number: (301) 415-2036; e-mail: jxl@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of December 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act, Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: [68 FR 68126, December 5, 2003].

STATUS: Closed Meeting.

PLACE: 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ADDITIONAL MEETING: Additional Meeting.

A Closed Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2003 at 3 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 matter may also be present.

Commissioner Campos, as duty officer, determined that no earlier notice thereof was possible.

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. 552(b)(5), (7), (9), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(5), (7), (9) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

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

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting to be held on Thursday, December 11, 2003 will be: Institution of injunctive actions; and Institution of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature

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) 942-7070.

Dated: December 10, 2003.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act; Meetings

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 meetings during the week of December 15, 2003:

A Closed Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2003 at 2 p.m., and an Open Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2003, at 10 a.m. in Room 1C30, the William O. Douglas Room.

Commissioner Campos, as duty officer, determined that no earlier notice thereof was possible.

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)(5), (7), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(5), (7), (9)(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Campos, 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 Tuesday, December 16, 2003 will be:

Formal orders of investigation; Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature; Institution and settlement of injunctive actions; and

Adjudicatory matter.

The subject matter of the Open Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 17, 2003 will be:

1. The Commission will consider whether to approve a proposed rule change by the New York Stock Exchange to amend and restate its Constitution to reform the governance and management architecture of the Exchange.

For further information, please contact Rebekah Liu, at (202) 942-0133.

2. The Commission will consider whether to propose amendments to Form N-1A under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Investment Company Act of 1940 that would require an open-end management investment company to provide enhanced prospectus disclosure regarding breakpoint discounts on front-end sales loads.

For further information, please contact Christian L. Broadbent at (202) 942-0721.

3. The Commission will consider whether to issue a concept release on mutual fund transaction costs. The release would seek public comment on whether mutual funds should be required to quantify and disclose to investors as a separate line item the amount of transaction costs they incur; include transaction costs in their expense ratios and fee tables; provide other quantitative measures or additional disclosure that would provide investors an indication of the level of the investment company's transaction costs; or some combination of the above. The release also would seek comment on whether mutual funds should be required to record transaction costs or the portion of those costs that represent soft dollar benefits (*i.e.*, the non-execution portion) as an expense in their financial statements.

For further information contact: Paul Goldman at (202) 942-0510.

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) 942-7070.

Dated: December 10, 2003.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4555]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "Byzantium: Faith and Power (1261-1557)"

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

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 "Byzantium: Faith and Power (1261-1557)," 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. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, from on or about March 15, 2004, to on or about July 4, 2004, and at possible additional venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public notice of these determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**. Additionally, notice is hereby given that one object for which determinations were previously made, and published in the **Federal Register** on July 30, 2003, are included in this exhibition.

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) 619-6529). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Room 700, Washington, DC 20547-0001.

Dated: December 8, 2003.

C. Miller Crouch,

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

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