

section 12(b) of the Act³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴

Any interested person may, on or before October 8, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application of Host America Corporation To Withdraw From Listing and Registration Its Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value, From the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. File No. 0-16196

September 17, 2002.

Host America Corporation, a Colorado corporation ("Issuer"), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 12d2-2(d) thereunder,² to withdraw its Common Stock, \$.001 par value ("Security"), from listing and registration on the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. ("BSE" or "Exchange").

The Issuer stated in its application that it has complied with the Rules of the BSE that govern the removal of securities from listing and registration on the Exchange. In making the decision to withdraw the Security from listing and registration on the BSE, the Issuer considered the relative liquidity provided by the BSE versus other securities exchanges and the cost associated with maintaining multiple listings. The Issuer stated in its

application that the Security has been listed on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market since July 27, 1998. The Issuer represented that it will maintain its listing on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market.

The Issuer's application relates solely to the Security's withdrawal from listing on the BSE and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴

Any interested person may, on or before October 8, 2002, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the BSE and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 Thereto by the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc., Revising the Maintenance Listing Criteria for Underlying Securities in CBOE Rule 5.4

September 16, 2002.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 12, 2002, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. ("CBOE" 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 by the Exchange. The

CBOE submitted Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change on September 13, 2002.³ The CBOE submitted Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change on September 16, 2002.⁴ The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change, as amended, from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to amend CBOE Rule 5.4 to permit the addition of a new series of individual equity option contracts that otherwise meet the maintenance listing standards except for the requirement that the market price per share of the underlying security be at least \$3.00. The text of the proposed rule change is provided below. Proposed new language is italicized; deletions are in brackets.

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Rule 5.4. Withdrawal of Approval of Underlying Securities

Whenever the Exchange determines that an underlying security previously approved for Exchange option transactions does not meet the then current requirements for continuance of such approval or for any other reason should no longer be approved, the Exchange will not open for trading any additional series of options of the class covering that underlying security and therefore may prohibit any opening purchase transactions in series of options of that class previously opened, to the extent it deems such action necessary or appropriate; provided, however, that where exceptional circumstances have caused an underlying security not to comply with the Exchange's current approval maintenance requirements, regarding number of publicly held shares or publicly held principal amount, number of shareholders, trading volume or market price the Exchange, in the interest of maintaining a fair and orderly market or for the protection of investors, may determine to continue to open additional series of option contracts of

³ In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange clarified that the proposed rule change would apply when opening an additional series of options contracts traded on a national securities exchange other than the CBOE. See letter from Edward Joyce, President and Chief Operating Office, CBOE, to Steven Johnston, Special Counsel, Division of Market Regulation ("Division"), dated September 12, 2002 ("Amendment No. 1").

⁴ In Amendment No. 2, the Exchange made a technical change to proposed rule text. See letter from James Flynn, Attorney II, CBOE, to Steven Johnston, Special Counsel, Division of Market Regulation, dated September 16, 2002 ("Amendment No. 2").

³ 15 U.S.C. 78(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78(g).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78(d).

² 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(d).

³ 15 U.S.C. 78(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78(g).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.