

by the individual Participants pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Exchange Act establishing the minimum increments by which equities or options are quoted on the respective markets or until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

By the Commission.

By: Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 500-1]

American Healthcare Providers, Inc.; Order of Suspension of Trading

June 15, 2000.

It appears to the Securities and Exchange Commission that there is a lack of current and accurate information concerning the securities of American Healthcare Providers, Inc. ("American Healthcare") because of questions regarding the accuracy of assertions by American Healthcare, and by others, in press releases concerning, among other things, a contract entered into by American Healthcare.

The Commission is of the opinion that the public interest and the protection of investors require a suspension of trading in the securities of the above listed company.

Therefore, it is ordered, pursuant to Section 12(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, that trading in the above listed company is suspended for the period from 9:30 a.m. EDT, on Thursday, June 15, 2000 through 11:59 p.m. EDT, on Wednesday, June 28, 2000.

By the Commission.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change by the American Stock Exchange LLC, Relating to an Increase in Fees for Registered Options Trader and Specialist Transactions in Exchange Traded Fund Shares

June 9, 2000.

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 May 25, 2000, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

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

The Amex proposes to revise fees for Registered Options Trader and Specialist transactions in Exchange Traded Fund Shares.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning 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. The Amex 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 the Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

(1) Purpose

The Amex currently imposes charges for transactions in Portfolio Depositary Receipts ("PDRs"), Index Fund Shares and Trust Issued Receipts ("TIRs") executed on the Exchange. Currently, charges include fees for

Registered Options Trader and Specialist transactions in PDRs, Index Fund Shares and TIRs, including Nasdaq-100 Index Trust, SPDRs, DIAMONDS, WEBS, MidCap SPDRs, Select Sector SPDRs, and HOLDERS. The current rate for Specialist transactions in these products is \$0.006 per share (\$0.60 per 100 shares), capped at \$300 per trade (50,000 shares). The current rate for Registered Options Trader transactions is \$0.007 per share (\$0.70 per 100 shares), capped at \$350 per trade (50,000 shares). Off floor orders (*i.e.*, customer and broker-dealer) are charged \$0.006 per share (\$0.60 per 100 shares), capped at \$100 per trade (16,667 shares).

The Exchange proposes to revise fees for Registered Options Trader and Specialist transactions in PDRs, Index Fund Shares and TIRs. The Exchange will apply the revised transaction fees to all Registered Options Trader and Specialist transactions in currently traded as well as newly listed PDRs, Index Fund Shares and TIRs. The proposed revision is in the amount of \$0.03 per 100 shares for Specialist and Registered Options Trader transactions. As a result, upon implementation of the proposed fee revision, Specialist fees for transactions in PDRs, Index Fund Shares and TIRs will increase from \$0.006 per share (\$0.60 per 100 shares) to \$0.0063 per share (\$0.63 per 100 shares) and Registered Options Trader fees will increase from \$0.007 per share (\$0.70 per 100 shares) to \$0.0073 per share (\$0.73 per 100 shares).

The Exchange is undertaking the proposed revision in fees to offset increased Exchange expenses and costs associated with the continued development, listing and trading of additional PDRs, Index Fund Shares and TIRs. Because the proposed revision in fees will better enable the Exchange to further develop, list and trade new Exchange Traded Fund Shares, the Exchange believes it is appropriate and necessary to implement the revised fee schedule.

(2) Statutory Basis

The proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)³ of the Act in general and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(4)⁴ in particular, in that it is designed to provide for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees, and other charges among its members and issuers and other persons using its facilities.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).