

date of the proposal to September 30, 2002 so that the ROS pilot program may continue without interruption after it would have otherwise expired on September 30, 2002. For this reason, the Commission, consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, has determined to accelerate the operative date of the proposal to September 30, 2002.¹³

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. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 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 in 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-CBOE-2002-58 and should be submitted by October 28, 2002.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁴

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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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 5.000 (5) percent for the October-December quarter of FY 2003.

James E. Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4146]

**Office of the Procurement Executive;
60-Day Notice of Proposed Information
Collection: Department of State
Acquisition Regulation (DOSAR); OMB
Control Number 1405-0050**

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. This process is conducted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The following summarizes the information collection proposal to be submitted to OMB:

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Originating Office: Bureau of Administration, Office of the Procurement Executive.

Title of Information Collection: Department of State Acquisition Regulation (DOSAR).

Frequency: On occasion.

Form Number: N/A.

Respondents: Any business, other for-profit, individual, not-for-profit, or household organizations wishing to receive Department of State contracts.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,790.

Average Hours Per Response: Varies.

Total Estimated Burden: 225,503 hours.

Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including

through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Public comments, or requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice should be directed to Gladys Gines, Procurement Analyst, Office of the Procurement Executive, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, who may be reached on (703) 516-1691.

Dated: September 11, 2002.

Lloyd W. Pratsch,

Procurement Executive, Bureau of Administration, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Transportation Labor-Management Board; Establishment and Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Establishment and notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Following consultation with the General Services Administration, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announces the establishment of the Transportation Labor-Management Board (Board) and the Board's first meeting. Notice of the establishment of the Board and the meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Time and Place: The Board will meet on Tuesday, October 22, 2002, at 9 a.m., at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, room 4438/40, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The room is located on the 4th floor.

Type of Meeting: The meeting is open to the public. Please note that visitors without a government identification badge should enter the Nassif Building at the Southwest lobby, for clearance at the Visitor's Desk. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should contact DOT to obtain appropriate accommodations.

Point of Contact: Stephen Gomez, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary, Corporate Human Resource Policy Division, M-13, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., room 7411, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9455.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Transportation Labor-

¹³ For purposes only of accelerating the operative period for this proposal, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).