

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

1. Purpose

The Exchange recently amended Exchange Rules 600, 604, 620, 623, and 1024 and Equity Floor Procedure Advice ("EFPA") and Option Floor Procedure Advice ("OFPA") F-25; and adopted EFPA F-34 and OFPA F-34 to create a more efficient, centralized registration process by migrating from a manual paper-based Exchange procedure to the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.'s Web Central Registration Depository ("Web CRD") process for registration and processing of fingerprints.<sup>5</sup>

The purpose of this proposed rule change is to further clarify Exchange Rules 600, 604, 620 and 1024 and corresponding EFPAs and OFPAs F-25 and F-34, as they relate to the new Web CRD process. The Exchange believes that the clarifying language should help all members, participants, and member and participant organizations to better understand the rules relating to Web CRD.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act<sup>6</sup> in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act<sup>7</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest by clarifying Phlx rules and corresponding EFPAs and OFPAs in connection with providing information to Web CRD.

*B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any burden on competition not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

*C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

No written comments were either solicited or received.

**III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action**

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>8</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>9</sup>

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

A proposed rule change filed under Rule 19b-4(f)(6) normally may not become operative prior to 30 days after the date of filing.<sup>10</sup> However, Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii)<sup>11</sup> permits the Commission to designate a shorter time if such action is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest. The Phlx provided the Commission with written notice of its intent to file this proposed rule change at least five business days prior to the date of filing of the proposed rule change. In addition, the Phlx has requested that the Commission waive the 30-day operative delay. The Commission believes that waiving the 30-day operative delay is consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest because the proposed rule change clarifies existing Exchange rules relating to Web CRD. For this reason, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective and operative upon filing with the Commission.<sup>12</sup>

**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. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

<sup>8</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>9</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

<sup>10</sup> CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

<sup>11</sup> *Id.*

<sup>12</sup> For purposes only of waiving the 30-day operative delay, the Commission has considered the proposed rule's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

*Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-Phlx-2006-83 on the subject line.

*Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2006-83. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). 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 also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-Phlx-2006-83 and should be submitted on or before January 17, 2007.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>13</sup>

**Florence E. Harmon,**  
Deputy Secretary.

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

[Disaster Declaration # 10761 and # 10762]

**Oregon Disaster # OR-00015**

**AGENCY:** Small Business Administration.

<sup>13</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<sup>5</sup> See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 53612 (April 6, 2006), 71 FR 18798 (April 12, 2006) (SR-Phlx-2006-15).

<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>7</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the State of OREGON dated 12/19/2006.

Incident: Severe Winter Storm & Flooding.

Incident Period: 11/02/2006 through 11/08/2006.

Effective Date: 12/19/2006.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 02/20/2007.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 09/19/2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road Fort, Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

*Primary County:* Tillamook.

*Contiguous Counties:*

Oregon: Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln Polk, Washington, Yamhill.

*The Interest Rates are:*

	Percent
Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	6.000
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	3.000
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	8.000
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	4.000
Other (Including Non-Profit Organizations) With Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	5.250
Businesses And Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere: .....	4.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 10761 B and for economic injury is 10762 0.

**The State which received an EIDL Declaration # is Oregon.**

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Dated: December 19, 2006.

**Steven C. Preston,**

*Administrator.*

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION****Administrator's Line of Succession Designation, No. 1-A, Revision 27**

This document replaces and supersedes "Line of Succession Designation No. 1-A, Revision 26."

**Line of Succession Designation No. 1-A, Revision 27**

Effective immediately, the Administrator's Line of Succession Designation is as follows:

(a) In the event of my inability to perform the functions and duties of my position, or my absence from the office, the Deputy Administrator will assume all functions and duties of the Administrator. In the event the Deputy Administrator and I are both unable to perform the functions and duties of the position or are absent from our offices, I designate the officials in listed order below, if they are eligible to act as Administrator under the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, to serve as Acting Administrator with full authority to perform all acts which the Administrator is authorized to perform:

- (1) Chief of Staff
- (2) General Counsel
- (3) Associate Deputy Administrator for Management and Administration
- (4) Chief Financial Officer
- (5) Regional Administrator for Region 6.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of SBA Standard Operating Procedure 00 01 2, shall I11 "absence from the office," as used in reference to myself in paragraph (a) above, means

(1) I am not present the office and cannot be reasonably contacted by phone or other electronic means, and there is an immediate business necessity for the exercise of my authority; or

(2) I am not present in the office and, upon being contacted by phone or other electronic means, I determine that I cannot exercise my authority effectively without being physically present in the office.

(c) An individual serving in an acting capacity in any of the positions listed in subparagraph (a) (1) through (5), unless designated as such the Administrator, is not also included in this Line of Succession. Instead, the next non-acting incumbent in the Line of Succession shall serve as Acting Administrator.

(d) This designation shall remain in full force and effect until revoked or superseded in writing by the Administrator, or by the Deputy Administrator when serving as Acting Administrator.

(e) Serving as Acting Administrator has no effect on the officials listed in subparagraphs (a) (1) through (5), above, with respect to their full-time position's authorities, duties and responsibilities (except that such official cannot both recommend and approve an action).

Stephen C. Preston,  
*Administrator.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 5628]

**Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting**

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 in room 6319 of the U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters building, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC, 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 51st Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Subcommittee on Fire Protection to be held at the Royal Horticultural Halls and Conference Center in London, UK from February 5-9, 2007.

Discussion will focus on papers received and draft U.S. positions regarding:

- Performance testing & approval standards for fire safety systems;
- Comprehensive review of the Fire Test Procedures Code;
- Recommendations on evacuation analysis for new and existing passenger ships;
- Review of the SPS Code;
- Development of provisions for gas fueled ships;
- Measures to prevent fires in engine-rooms and cargo pump-rooms;
- Consideration of IACS unified interpretations;
- Analysis of fire casualty records;
- Fire resistance of ventilation ducts;
- Application of requirements for dangerous goods in SOLAS and the 2000 HSC Code;
- Unified interpretation on the number and arrangement of portable extinguishers;
- Review of the fire safety of external areas on passenger ships; and
- Performance standards for fixed water spraying, fire detection and fire alarm systems for cabin balconies.