

including, among others, rules governing trading halts, responsibilities of the specialist, account opening, and customer suitability requirements. In addition, the Shares will be subject to NYSE listing and delisting/suspension rules and procedures governing the trading of ICUs on the NYSE.³⁹ The Commission believes that listing and delisting criteria for the Shares should help to maintain a minimum level of liquidity and therefore minimize the potential for manipulation of the Shares. Finally, the Commission believes that the information circular the Exchange will distribute will inform members and member organizations about the terms, characteristics and risks in trading the Shares.

IV. Amendment Nos. 1 and 2

The NYSE has requested that the Commission grant accelerated approval to Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 to the proposed rule change.⁴⁰ The Commission believes that the amendments proposed in Amendment No. 1 regarding the Marketing Agent, a registered broker-dealer, certain fees and expenses, and other minor changes to the proposal, provide clarity and additional detail, but do not change the substance of the proposal. Similarly, Amendment No. 2 clarifies the dissemination of the IIV and indicative spot price of gold, additional information about the Shares to be provided on the NYSE Web site, and rule text relating to ICUs and requests accelerated approval of Amendments Nos. 1 and 2. Because these amendments clarify and make other minor changes to the proposal, the Commission therefore finds good cause, consistent with Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁴¹ to approve Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 to the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice of filing thereof in the **Federal Register**.

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the Amendment No. 1 and No. 2 are consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

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. Please include File

Number SR-NYSE-2004-22 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSE-2004-22. 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 Section, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NYSE. 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-NYSE-2004-22 and should be submitted on or before November 26, 2004.

V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,⁴² that the proposed rule change (SR-NYSE-2004-22), is approved and Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 are approved on an accelerated basis.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁴³

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Notice of Meetings; United States International Telecommunication Advisory Committee, International Telecommunication Union Telecommunications Development Advisory Group Preparations

The Department of State announces meetings of the U.S. International Telecommunication Advisory Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Department on policy and technical issues with respect to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). The purpose of these meetings is to prepare for the December 2004 meeting of the Telecommunications Development Advisory Group (TDAG).

An ITAC meeting will be held on Friday, November 19, 2004, at the State Department from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. to begin preparations for the meeting of the ITU Telecommunications Development Advisory Group, which will take place December 15-17, 2004, in Geneva, Switzerland. An additional meeting is scheduled concerning preparations for the TDAG on Wednesday, December 8, 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. All of these meetings will be at the Department of State in Room 2533A.

Members of the public may attend these meetings and are welcome to participate in the discussions, subject to the discretion of the Chair. Directions to meeting location may be determined by calling the ITAC Secretariat at 202 647-2592. Entrance to the State Department is controlled; in order to get precleared for each meeting, people planning to attend should send an e-mail to mccorklend@state.gov no later than 48 hours before the meeting. This e-mail should include the name of the meeting and date of meeting, your name, social security number, date of birth, and organizational affiliation. One of the following valid photo identifications will be required for admission to the State Department: U.S. driver's license, passport, U. S. Government identification card. Enter the Department of State from the C Street Lobby; in view of escorting requirements, non-Government attendees should plan to arrive not less than 15 minutes before the meeting begins.

Dated: November 1, 2004.

Doreen McGirr,

Director, ITU-D, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State.

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³⁹ See NYSE Rule 1300.

⁴⁰ See Amendments Nos. 1 and 2, *supra* notes 4 and 5.

⁴¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁴² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁴³ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).