rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or are derivable from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC's web site (http://www.pbgc.gov).

DATES: The interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in December 2000. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in January 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202–326–4024. (For TTY/TDD users, call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339 and ask to be connected to 202–326–4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4006.4(b)(1) of the PBGC's regulation on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate in determining a single-employer plan's variable-rate premium. The rate is the ''applicable percentage'' (currently 85 percent) of the annual yield on 30-year Treasury securities for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid (the ''premium payment year''). The yield figure is reported in Federal Reserve Statistical Releases G.13 and H.15.

The assumed interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning in December 2000 is 4.91 percent (*i.e.,* 85 percent of the 5.78 percent yield figure for November 2000).

The following table lists the assumed interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between January 2000 and December 2000.

For premium payment years beginning in:	The assumed interest rate is:
January 2000	5.40
February 2000	5.64
March 2000	5.30
April 2000	5.14
May 2000	4.97
June 2000	5.23
July 2000	5.04
August 2000	4.97
September 2000	4.86
October 2000	4.96
November 2000	4.93
December 2000	4.91

Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

The PBGC's regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in January 2001 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044.

Issued in Washington, DC, on this day of December 2000.

David M. Strauss,

Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application to Withdraw from Listing and Registration; (Ramco Energy plc, American Depositary Shares (Representing Ordinary Shares, Nominal Value 10p Per Share) File No. 1–14582

December 11, 2000.

Ramco Energy plc, a company organized under the laws of Scotland (''Company''), 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 American Depositary Shares (representing Ordinary Shares, nominal value 10p per share) (''Security''), from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange (''Amex'').

While the Company's Security is listed and registered in the United States on the Amex, the Company's related Ordinary Shares are listed in England on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange. The Company has stated that the trading volume for its Security on the Amex is very limited. In order to avoid the direct and indirect costs of maintaining the Amex listing, therefore, the Company's board of directors unanimously approved a resolution on November 21, 2000, authorizing the Security's withdrawal from listing and registration on the Amex.

The Company has stated in its application that it has complied with the rules of the Amex governing the voluntary withdrawal of a security from listing and registration. In addition, the Company has stated that its application relates solely to the listing and registration of its Security on the Amex and shall have no effect on the continued listing of its related Ordinary Shares on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange.

Any interested person may, on or before January 3, 2001, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 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.[3]

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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[1] 15 U.S.C. 78*l*(d).

[2] 17 CFR 240.12d2–2(d).

[3] 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(1).

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration; (Resource Bankshares Corporation, Common Stock, $1.50 Par Value) File No. 1–14319

December 11, 2000.

Resource Bankshares Corporation, a Virginia corporation (''Company''), has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission (''Commission''), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of