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In its filing with the Commission, NSCC 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. NSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.²

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

The purpose of the proposed filing is to make technical corrections relating to two previous approved NSCC rule filings.³ Both filings modified NSCC Procedure II (Trade Comparison Service) but failed to make corresponding changes to Rule 7 and Addendum A. This current filing will make the necessary corresponding changes in Rule 7 and Addendum A by deleting references to Demand Withhold and Demand As-Of processing with regard to over-the-counter equity securities and Demand As-Of processing for debt securities.

NSCC believes that this proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 17A of the Act⁴ and the rules and regulations thereunder because by making technical changes to NSCC's rules to properly reflect the transaction types that are permitted by NSCC with regard to over-the-counter equity and debt securities, the proposed rule change should help promote the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of securities transactions.

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

NSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have an impact on or impose a burden on competition.

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

No written comments relating to the proposed rule change have been solicited or received. NSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments it receives.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Act⁵ and Securities Exchange Act Rule 19b-4(f)(1)⁶ because it constitutes a stated practice with respect to the administration of an existing rule of NSCC. At any time within sixty days of the filing of such 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.

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 5th Street NW., Washington, DC 20549-0069. Comments may also be submitted electronically at the following e-mail address: rule-comments@sec.gov. All comment letters should refer to File No. SR-NSCC-2003-10. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help us process and review comments more efficiently, comments should be sent in hardcopy or by e-mail but not by both methods. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the rule filing that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the rule filing between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at NSCC's principal office. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-NSCC-2003-10 and

should be submitted by September 3, 2003.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁷

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Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-48284; File No SR-NSCC-2003-13]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change Relating to Fee Schedule Revisions for the Insurance Processing Service

August 5, 2003.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on June 16, 2003, NSCC filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared primarily by NSCC. 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 proposed rule change revises NSCC's fee schedule for the Initial Application Information ("APP") feature of its Insurance Processing Service ("IPS").

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

In its filing with the Commission, NSCC 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. NSCC has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.²

² The Commission has modified the text of the summaries prepared by NSCC.

³ Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 39864 (Apr. 14, 1998), 63 FR 19781 (Apr. 21, 1998) [File No. SR-NSCC-97-14] and 47494 (Mar. 13, 2003), 68 FR 13975 (Mar. 21, 2003) [File No. SR-NSCC-2002-10].

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁵ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(i).

⁶ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(1).

⁷ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² The Commission has modified the text of the summaries prepared by NSCC.

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

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to adjust the fees that NSCC charges for the APP feature of its IPS. The effective date for the adjustment is (i) June 1, 2003, for changes resulting in a decrease in fees and (ii) July 1, 2003, for all other changes. The proposed rule change also establishes APP fees for members for whom settlement is not available. These fees are effective June 16, 2003.

The current fee for APP for member for whom settlement is available is as follows: 0 to 499 items per month, \$5.00 per item; 500 to 1,249 items per month, \$4.00 per item; 1,250 to 2,499 items per month, \$2.00 per item; and for more than 2,499 items per month, \$1.00 per item. Pursuant to this rule change, the new APP fees will be as follows: 0 to 1,999 items per month, \$3.00 per item; 2,000 to 3,499 items per month, \$2.00 per item and for more than 3,499 items per month, \$1.00 per item. The fee for APP for members for whom settlement is not available will be: 0 to 1,999 items per month, \$1.50 per item and for more than 1,999 items per month, \$1.00 per item.

NSCC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act³ and the rules and regulations thereunder because it provides for the equitable allocation of dues, fees, and other charges among NSCC's participants.

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

NSCC does not believe that the proposed rule change will have an impact on or impose a burden on competition.

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

No written comments relating to the proposed rule change have been solicited or received. NSCC has notified participants who use IPS of the fee changes. NSCC will notify the Commission of any written comments it receives.

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

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to Section

19(b)(3)(A)(ii) of the Act⁴ and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁵ because it establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge of NSCC. At any time within sixty days of the filing of such 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.

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 5th Street NW., Washington, DC 20549-0069. Comments may also be submitted electronically at the following e-mail address: rule-comments@sec.gov. All comment letters should refer to File No. SR-NSCC-2003-13. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help us process and review comments more efficiently, comments should be sent in hardcopy or by e-mail but not by both methods. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the rule filing that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the rule filing between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at NSCC's principal office. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-NSCC-2003-13 and should be submitted by September 3, 2003.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁶

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-48299; File No. SR-NYSE-2002-36]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Amendment Nos. 2 and 3 to Proposed Rule Change by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. To Adopt Amendments to Exchange Rule 342 ("Offices—Approval, Supervision and Control") and its Interpretation, Rule 401 ("Business Conduct"), Rule 408 ("Discretionary Power in Customers' Accounts"), and Rule 410 ("Records of Orders")

August 7, 2003.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on August 16, 2002, the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change. On November 20, 2002, the Exchange submitted Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ The proposed rule change, as amended, was published for public comment in the **Federal Register** on November 27, 2002.⁴ On April 28, 2003, the Exchange submitted Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change.⁵ On August 7, 2003, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 3 to the proposed rule change.⁶ Amendment Nos. 2 and 3 are 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 Amendment Nos. 2 and 3 to the proposed rule change from interested persons.

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

The proposed amendments address several issues involving the

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See letter to Nancy Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, from Darla Stuckey, Corporate Secretary, NYSE, dated November 18, 2002 ("Amendment No. 1"). In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange added "customer changes of investment objectives" to the list of enumerated activities with regard to which Exchange members must maintain written policies and procedures.

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 46858 (November 20, 2002), 67 FR 70994 ("Original Notice").

⁵ In Amendment No. 2, the Exchange submitted a response to comments received in response to the Original Notice. Also, the Exchange amended the rule text to address certain of the commenters' concerns.

⁶ Amendment No. 3 replaces and supercedes Amendment No. 2 in its entirety.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(2).

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).