

not only by firms, associated persons, and other market professionals, but also by non-professionals who receive the service through authorized vendors, including, for example, on-line brokerage firms. Before August 31, 2000, NQDS data was available through authorized vendors at a monthly rate of \$50 for professionals and non-professional users alike. In August 2000, NASD, through Nasdaq, filed a proposed rule change to reduce from \$50 to \$10 the monthly fee that non-professional users pay to receive NQDS data. The Commission approved the pilot on August 22, 2000, and the fee reduction began on August 31, 2000 on a pilot basis.⁸ On September 4, 2001, August 29, 2002, and August 15, 2003, Nasdaq filed proposed rule changes to extend the pilot for additional one-year periods.⁹

Nasdaq proposes to extend the Pilot for another year, beginning September 1, 2004 and running through August 31, 2005. Nasdaq proposes no other changes to the Pilot at this time.

2. Statutory Basis

Nasdaq believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A of the Act,¹⁰ in general, and with Section 15A(b)(5) of the Act,¹¹ in particular, in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among members and issuers and other persons using any facility or system which Nasdaq operates or controls, and it does not unfairly discriminate between customers, issuers, brokers or dealers.

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

Nasdaq does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended.

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

Written comments were neither solicited nor 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 Act¹² and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.¹³ 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.

Nasdaq has asked that the Commission waive the five-day pre-filing notice requirement and the 30-day operative delay contained in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act.¹⁴ The Commission believes such waivers are consistent with the protection of investors and the public interest, for they will allow the Pilot to operate without interruption through August 31, 2005. For these reasons, the Commission designates the proposal to be effective and operative upon filing with the Commission.¹⁵

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:

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-NASD-2004-127 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-NASD-2004-127. 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 20549-0609. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NASD. 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-NASD-2004-127 and should be submitted on or before October 1, 2004.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁶

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3615]

State of Florida (Amendment #2)

In accordance with a notice received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency—effective August 30, 2004, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to establish the incident period for this disaster as beginning August 11, 2004, and continuing through August 30, 2004.

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is

¹⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

⁸ See footnote 6, *supra*.

⁹ See Securities Exchange Act Release Nos. 44788 (September 13, 2001), 66 FR 48303 (September 23, 2001) (SR-NASD-2001-56); 46446 (August 30, 2002), 67 FR 57260 (September 7, 2002) (SR-NASD-2002-117); and 48386 (August 21, 2003), 68 FR 51618 (August 27, 2003) (SR-NASD-2003-132).

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3.

¹¹ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3(b)(5).

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

¹³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

¹⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

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

October 12, 2004 and for economic injury the deadline is May 13, 2005.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: September 1, 2004.

Cheri L. Cannon,

Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Public Federal Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Hearing

The Small Business Administration Region IX Regulatory Fairness Board and the SBA Office of the National Ombudsman will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 29, 2004 at 1 p.m. at Maricopa Community College, Governing Board Room, 2411 West 14th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281, to receive comments and testimony from small business owners, small government entities, and small non-profit organizations concerning regulatory enforcement and compliance actions taken by federal agencies. This will be a bilingual hearing in English and Spanish.

Anyone wishing to attend or to make a presentation must contact Bruce Hodgman in writing or by fax, in order to be put on the agenda. Bruce Hodgman, Deputy District Director, SBA Arizona District Office, 2828 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, phone (602) 745-7220, fax (603) 745-7210, e-mail: bruce.hodgman@sba.gov.

For more information, see our Web site at <http://www.sba.gov/ombudsman>.

Dated: September 1, 2004.

Peter Sorum,

Senior Advisor, Office of the National Ombudsman.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Privacy Act System of Records Notice

AGENCY: Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice of new system of records.

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) is adding a new system of records to the Agency's Privacy Act System of Records. The new system is called "Servicing and Contract System/Minority Enterprise Development Headquarters Repository (SACS/MDHR). The first purpose is to collect confidential business and financial information used to determine

if applicants and current 8(a) participants are in compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements for continued program participation. This electronic system uses information collected on SBA forms and other financial information such as participant and business net worth (collected from personal financial statements and business' balance sheets). The SBA forms have previously been approved by OMB and used as a vehicle to collect 8(a) participant information. Some of this information is entered into the SACS/MEDHR System.

DATES: The new system will be effective immediately without further notice unless comments are received that result in a need for modification.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Michael P. McHale, Associate Administrator, HUBZone Program, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 5900, Washington, DC 20416.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. McHale, Associate Administrator, HUBZone Program, (202) 205-6731.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

SYSTEM NAME:

Servicing and Contracts System/Minority Enterprise Development Headquarters Repository—SBA 180.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

SBA Headquarters and all SBA district offices. See Appendix A.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM INCLUDE:

Applicants and program participants in SBA's 8(a) Business Development program (8(a)).

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM INCLUDE:

8(a) Business Development program applications, business development working files, business plan files and contract files containing personal and financial information.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Public Law 100-656, Small Business Act 15 U.S.C. 636, section (j) (Technical and Management Assistance); Public Law 100-656, 15 U.S.C. 637, section 8(a) (Business Development).

PURPOSE:

To collect confidential business and financial information used to determine if applicants and current 8(a) participants are in compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements for continued eligibility for program participation. This information

facilitates the Agency in carrying out the functions of the Office of 8(a) Business Development.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES, THESE RECORDS MAY BE USED, DISCLOSED, OR REFERRED:

a. To a Congressional office, when the office is inquiring on the individual's behalf; the Member's access rights are no greater than the individual's.

b. To Agency volunteers, interns, grantees, experts and contractors who have been engaged by the Agency to assist in the performance of a service related to this system or records and who need access to the records in order to perform this activity. Recipients of these records shall be required to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a.

c. To the Federal, state, local or foreign agency or professional organization which investigates, prosecutes, or enforces violation or potential violation of law, arising by general or program statute, or by regulation, rule, or order.

d. To the Department of Justice (DOJ) when any of the following is a party to litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and the use of such records by the DOJ is deemed by the agency to be relevant and necessary to the litigation, provided, however, that in each case, the agency determines the disclosure of the records to the DOJ is a use of the information contained in the records that is compatible with the purpose for which the records were collected:

- (1) The agency, or any component thereof;
- (2) Any employee of the agency in his or her official capacity;
- (3) Any employee of the agency in his or her individual capacity where the DOJ has agreed to represent the employee; or
- (4) The United States Government, where the agency determines that litigation is likely to affect the agency or any of its components.

e. In a proceeding before a court, or adjudicative body, or a dispute resolution body before which the agency is authorized to appear or before which any of the following is a party to litigation or has an interest in litigation, provided, however, that the agency determines that the use of such records is relevant and necessary to the litigation, and that, in each case, the agency determines that disclosure of the records to a court or other adjudicative body is a use of the information contained in the records that is compatible with the purpose for which the records were collected: