

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 will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Phlx-2003-77 and should be submitted by December 29, 2003.

IV. Commission's Findings and Order Granting Accelerated Approval of Proposed Rule Change

The Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange.²⁰ In particular, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b)(5) of the Act, which requires that the rules of an exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national securities system, and protect investors and the public interest.²¹

The Commission believes that the extension of the Pilot should assist specialists in maintaining fair and orderly markets during periods of peak market activity. In that regard, the Commission notes that in response to Commission staff concerns the Exchange modified its system to provide that if the disseminated size exceeds the specified disengagement size and an eligible order is delivered for a number of contracts that is greater than the specified disengagement size, such an order will be automatically executed up to the disseminated size. The Commission believes that an extension of the Pilot program for a one-year period should allow the Exchange to continue its efforts to deploy more fully automate its systems.

Accordingly, the Commission finds good cause, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,²² for approving the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice thereof in the **Federal Register**. The

Commission recognizes that, according to the Phlx, no complaints from customers, floor traders, or member firms have been received during the entire period of the Pilot program.²³ The Commission believes that granting accelerated approval to extend the Pilot program for one additional year will allow Phlx to continue, without interruption, the existing operation of its AUTO-X system.

V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,²⁴ that the proposed rule change (SR-Phlx-2003-77) is hereby approved on an accelerated basis, as a one-year Pilot, scheduled to expire on November 30, 2004.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.²⁵

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as Amended by Public Law 104-13; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Tennessee Valley Authority.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). The Tennessee Valley Authority is soliciting public comments on this proposed collection as provided by 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1). Requests for information, including copies of the information collection proposed and supporting documentation, should be directed to the Agency Clearance Officer: Alice D. Witt, Tennessee Valley Authority, 1101 Market Street (EB 5B), Chattanooga, TN 37402-2801; (423) 751-6832. (SC: 000YZ1N) Comments should be sent to the Agency Clearance Officer no later than February 6, 2004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of Request: Regular submission, proposal to extend a currently approved

collection of information (OMB control number 3316-0062).

Title of Information Collection: TVA Procurement Documents, including Invitation to Bid, Request for Proposal, Request for Quotation, and other related Procurement or Sales Documents.

Frequency of Use: On occasion.

Type of Affected Public: Individuals or households, businesses or other for-profit, non-profit institutions, small businesses or organizations.

Small Business or Organizations Affected: Yes.

Federal Budget Functional Category Code: 999.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 24,300.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 49,100.

Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Response: 0.49.

Need For and Use of Information: TVA procures goods and services to fulfill its statutory obligations and sells surplus items to recover a portion of its investment costs. This activity must be conducted in compliance with a variety of applicable laws, regulations, and Executive Orders. Vendors and purchasers who voluntarily seek to contract with TVA are affected.

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Manager, Enterprise Operations, Information Services.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Request for Comments Concerning Compliance With Telecommunications Trade Agreements

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and reply comment.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 1377 of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 (19 U.S.C. 3106) ("section 1377"), the Office of the United States Trade Representative ("USTR") is reviewing, and requests comments on: the operation and effectiveness of and the implementation of and compliance with the World Trade Organization ("WTO") Basic Telecommunications Agreement; other WTO agreements affecting market opportunities for telecommunications products and services of the United States; the telecommunications provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement ("NAFTA"); Chile and

²⁰ In approving this proposal, the Commission has considered its impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

²¹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

²² 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

²³ Pursuant to telephone conversation between Richard S. Rudolph, Director and Counsel, Phlx, and Marc McKayle, Special Counsel, Division, Commission on November 24, 2003.

²⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

²⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).