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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

U.S. SECURITIES AND
EXCHANGE COMMISSION

JOHNSON-BOWLES COMPANY, INC., OTHERS CITED

The Commission announced the institution of public administrative proceedings against Johnson-Bowles Company, Inc., a Salt Lake City, Utah broker-dealer, Marlen V. Johnson and William R. Kasworm, also of Salt Lake City. The Order for Proceedings alleges that Johnson-Bowles, aided and abetted by Johnson and Kasworm, wilfully violated provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, relating to net capital, customer protection and telegraphic notice; and further, that Johnson-Bowles, aided and abetted by Johnson, wilfully violated provisions of the Exchange Act relating to recordkeeping and amendments on Form BD. A hearing will be scheduled to take evidence on the staff's allegations and to afford the respondents an opportunity to offer any defenses thereto, and for the purpose of determining whether any action of a remedial nature should be ordered by the Commission. (Rel. 34-17743)

CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

JOHN P. HUBERTY INDICTED

The Chicago Regional Office announced that on April 9 John P. Huberty of Minnetonka, Minnesota, pled guilty, before the Honorable Miles W. Lord, U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota, to two counts of mail fraud. On November 9, 1980, a federal grand jury in Minneapolis indicted Huberty on 15 counts of mail fraud. Judge Lord ordered that a pre-sentence report be prepared before Huberty is sentenced. The indictment alleged that Huberty, a salesman for a registered broker-dealer, obtained approximately \$1 million to purchase securities which he took for his own use.

In an action previously filed by the Commission, Huberty was preliminarily enjoined from violating the antifraud provisions of the securities laws and a receiver was appointed. (U.S. v. John P. Huberty, USDC for the District of Minnesota, Criminal Action No. 4-80-112). (LR-9352)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

EGT MONEY MARKET TRUST

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until May 26 to request a hearing on an application by EGT Money Market Trust, a registered, open-end, diversified, management company, for an order pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, exempting it from the provisions of Section 2(a)(41) of the Act and Rules 2a-4 and 22c-1 thereunder, to the extent necessary to permit it to use the amortized cost valuation method for the purpose of pricing its shares for sale, repurchase and redemption. (Rel. IC-11750 - Apr. 28)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

CENTRAL AND SOUTH WEST CORPORATION

An order has been issued authorizing Central and South West Corporation, a registered holding company, to make capital contributions of up to \$45 million to Central Power and Light Company, up to \$55 million to Southwestern Electric Company, and up to \$10 million to West Texas Utilities. These subsidiaries would each use the proceeds to repay short-term loans. (Rel. 35-22028 - Apr. 24)

MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY

An order has been issued authorizing Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company (PE), and West Penn Power Company, subsidiaries of Allegheny Power System, Inc. (APS), to amend their Charters to increase the authorized number of shares of common stock from 3,960,000 to 5,460,000 shares, from 10,375,000 to 12,075,000 shares and from 11,054,923 to 15,052,923 shares respectively. Monongahela, PE and West Penn propose to issue and sell from time to time prior to December 31, 1981, and APS proposes to acquire from each of them, 660,000, 1,950,000 and 3,000,000 shares of common stock respectively. (Rel. 35-22029 - Apr. 27)

GULF POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until May 21 to request a hearing on a proposal by Gulf Power Company, subsidiary of The Southern Company, primarily to acquire a 25% interest in two generating plants and other utility assets from Georgia Power Company, another Southern subsidiary, and other non-affiliated companies. (Rel. 35-22030 - Apr. 27)

CONSOLIDATED NATURAL GAS COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until May 28 to request a hearing on a proposal of Consolidated Natural Gas Company, a registered holding company, to act as surety on a \$18,200,000 bond of its subsidiary, Consolidated Gas Supply Corporation, said bond being required by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in connection with the collection of increased rates and charges for natural gas service. (Rel. 35-22031 - Apr. 28)

LISTING, DELISTING AND UNLISTED TRADING ACTIONS

UNLISTED TRADING GRANTED

An order has been issued granting the applications of the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. for unlisted trading privileges in the common stock (\$.50 par value) of Grolier, Inc. and the common stock (\$50 par value) of Reading Co. which are listed and registered on another national securities exchange and are reported in the consolidated transaction reporting system. (Rel. 34-17758)

SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

The American Stock Exchange, Inc., Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated, and the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc., have filed proposed rule changes pursuant to Rule 19b-4 (SR-Amex-81-8, SR-CBOE-81-8 and SR-Phlx-81-7) to amend their joint options allocation plan. Publication of the proposals are expected to be made in the Federal Register during the week of April 27. (Rel. 34-17757)

SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATIONS

The following registration statements have been filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933. The information noted below has been taken from the cover page and the facing sheet of the prospectus and registration statement and will appear as follows: Form; Name, address and phone number (if available) of the issuer of the security; Title and the number or face amount of the securities being offered; Name of the managing underwriter (if applicable); Whether the offering is a rights offering; File number and date filed; Assigned Branch; and whether the registration statement is a New Issue.

- (S-18) SKIPPER'S, INC., 1715 114th S.E., Bellevue, WA 98007 (206) 454-3456 - 450,000 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Foster & Marshall Inc. The company is engaged in operating and franchising a chain of "Skipper's Seafood 'n Chowder House" restaurants in the Western United States and British Columbia. (File 2-71917-S - Apr. 21) (Br. 4 - New Issue)

- (S-8) CASCO-NORTHERN CORPORATION, One Monument Sq., Portland, ME 04101 (207) 774-8221 - 101,787 shares of common stock. (File 2-71923 - Apr. 23) (Br. 1)
- (S-15) WESTERN BANCORPORATION, 707 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213) 614-3001 - 11,875 shares of common stock. (File 2-71944 - Apr. 24) (Br. 1)
- (S-16) MGF OIL CORPORATION, Seventh Floor, Vaughn Bldg., P.O. Box 360, Midland, TX 79702-0360 - 2,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated, Blyth Eastman Paine Webber Incorporated and Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards Incorporated. The company is engaged in oil and gas exploration and development. (File 2-71947 - Apr. 24) (Br. 4)
- (S-16) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, 2244 Walnut Grove Ave., P.O. Box 800, Rosemead, CA 91770 (213) 572-1212 - \$200 million of first and refunding mortgage bonds, Series PP, due 2011. The company supplies electric energy. (File 2-71948 - Apr. 24) (Br. 8)
- (S-16) CONTINENTAL TELEPHONE CORPORATION, 56 Perimeter Center East, Atlanta, GA 30346 (404) 391-8000 - 2,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: E. F. Hutton & Company Inc. and Drexel Burnham Lambert Incorporated. The company is a telephone holding company. (File 2-71950 - Apr. 24) (Br. 7)
- (S-16) ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY, 500 South 27th St., Decatur, IL 62525 (217) 424-6600 - 3,000,000 shares of common stock. Underwriters: The First Boston Corporation and Merrill Lynch White Weld Capital Markets Group. The company is engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electric energy. (File 2-71955 - Apr. 24) (Br. 8)
- (S-6) HARTFORD VARIABLE ANNUITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY VARIABLE ACCOUNT "C.B.", Hartford Plaza, Hartford, CT 06115 (203) 547-3171 - an indefinite number of units of interest. Depositor: Hartford Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company. (File 2-71956 - Apr. 24) (Br. 20 - New Issue)
- (S-8) INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORPORATION, 320 Park Ave., New York, NY 10022 (212) 752-6000 - 2,000,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-71957 - Apr. 24) (Br. 5)
- (S-8) DEKALB AGRESEARCH, INC., Sycamore Rd., DeKalb, IL 60115 (815) 758-3461 - \$3,150,000 of participations. (File 2-71978 - Apr. 27) (Br. 3)
- (S-8) SULLAIR CORPORATION, 3700 East Michigan Blvd., Michigan City, IN 46360 (219) 879-5451 - 134,150 and 115,850 common shares. (File 2-71980 - Apr. 27) (Br. 9)

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