supplement to the GEIS available for public inspection.

Any interested party may submit comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS for consideration by the NRC staff. To be certain of consideration, comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS and the proposed action must be received by March 2, 2005. Comments received after the due date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC staff is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Written comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS should be sent to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop T-6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001

Comments may be hand-delivered to the NRC at 11545 Rockville Pike, Room T-6D59, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays. Electronic comments may be submitted to the NRC by e-mail at BrownsFerryEIS@nrc.gov. All comments received by the Commission, including those made by Federal, State, and local agencies, Native American Tribes, or other interested persons, will be made available electronically at the Commission's PDR in Rockville, Maryland, and from the PARS component of ADAMS.

The NRC staff will hold two public meetings to present an overview of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS and to accept public comments on the document. The public meetings will be held on January 25, 2005, at the Athens State University, Student Center Cafeteria Ballroom, 300 North Beaty Street, Athens, Alabama. The first session will convene at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m., as necessary. The second session will convene at 7 p.m. with a repeat of the overview portions of the meeting and will continue until 10 p.m., as necessary. Both meetings will be transcribed and will include: (1) a presentation of the contents of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the draft report. Additionally, the NRC staff will host informal discussions one hour before the start of each meeting at the Athens State University, Student Center Cafeteria Ballroom. No comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS will be accepted during the informal discussions. To be considered, comments must be provided either at the transcribed public meetings or in writing, as discussed below. Persons

may register to attend or present oral comments at the meetings by contacting Dr. Michael Masnik, by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 1191, or by email at BrownsFerryEIS@nrc.gov no later than January 18, 2005. Members of the public may also register to speak at the meeting within 15 minutes of the start of each session. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. Members of the public who have not registered may also have an opportunity to speak, if time permits. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, Dr. Masnik will need to be contacted no later than January 18, 2004, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

For Further Information Contact: Dr. Michael Masnik, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Dr. Masnik may be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated in Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of November, 2004.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Program Director, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Pub. L. 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold the following meetings during the week of December 13, 2004:

A closed meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 2004 at 2 p.m. and an Open meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 15, 2004 at 2 p.m. in Room 1C30, the William O. Douglas Room.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the closed meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters may also be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or

more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3), (4), (5), (7), (8), (9)(B), and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (4), (5), (7), (8), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the closed meeting.

Commissioner Atkins, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the closed meeting in closed session and determined that no earlier notice thereof was possible.

The subject matter of the closed meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, 2004, will be:

Formal orders of investigations; Institution and settlement of injunctive actions;

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature; and a regulatory matter regarding a financial institution.

The subject matter of the Open Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 15, 2004 will be:

1. The Commission will consider whether to republish for public comment proposed rules under Regulation NMS and two amendments to the joint industry plans for disseminating market information, to give the public an opportunity to review and comment on proposed modifications to the original rule text to reflect comments received. In particular, the Commission will consider whether to repropose the follow rules and amendments:

A. Rule 611 of Regulation NMS ("Order Protection Rule"), which would establish marketwide price protection for automated quotations that are immediately accessible;

B. Rule 610 of Regulation NMS ("Access Rule"), which would promote fair and non-discriminatory access to quotations through a private access approach and establish a limit on access fees to harmonize the pricing of quotations across different trading centers:

C. Rule 612 of Regulation NMS ("Sub-Penny Rule"), which would establish a uniform pricing increment of no less than a penny for orders, quotations, or indications of interest, except for those priced at less than \$1.00 per share;

D. Amendments to Rules 11Aa3-1 and 11Ac1-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") (redesignated as Rule 601 and 603 of Regulation NMS) ("Market Data Rules"), which would update the requirements for consolidating, distributing, and displaying market information, and amendments to the joint industry plans for disseminating market information that would modify the formulas for allocating plan revenues ("Allocation Amendment") and broaden

participation in plan governance ("Governance Amendment"); and

E. Redesignation of the national market system ("NMS") rules adopted under the Exchange act and inclusion of those rules, as well as proposed Rules 610, 611, and 612, under Regulation NMS. Regulation NMS would also include a separate definitional rule that would (i) retain most of the definitions currently used in the NMS rules, (ii) include new definitions related to the reproposed rules, and (iii) update or eliminate obsolete definitions in the NMS rules.

For further information, please contact Jennifer Colihan, Special Counsel, at (202) 942-0735 (Order Protection Rule); David Liu, Attorney, at (202) 942-8085 (Access Rule); Ronesha Butler, Special Counsel, at (202) 942-0791 (Sub-Penny Rule): Sapna Patel. Special Counsel, at (202) 942-0166 (Market Data Rules, Allocation Amendment, and Governance Amendment); or Yvonne Fraticelli, Special Counsel, at (202) 942-0197 (Regulation NMS).

2. The Commission will consider whether to adopt new and amended rules and forms to address the registration, disclosure and reporting requirements for asset-backed securities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The new and amended rules and forms relate to four primary regulatory areas: Securities Act registration; disclosure requirements; communications during the offering process; and ongoing reporting under the Exchange Act.

For further information, please contact Jeffrey J. Minton, Special Counsel, or Jennifer G. Williams, Attorney-Advisor, Office of Rulemaking, Division of Corporation Finance, at (202)942-2910.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items. For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: December 8, 2004.

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by **National Stock Exchange To Eliminate** the "CBOE Exerciser Member" Membership Class. To Eliminate the **Exchange's Special Nominating** Committee, and To Remove Certain Special Limitations on Changes to Certain By-Laws and Rules

December 6, 2004.

Pursuant to section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") 1 and Rule 19b-4 thereunder.2 notice is hereby given that on October 21, 2004, National Stock Exchange ("NSX" or "Exchange") 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 by the Exchange. 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

NSX is proposing to amend its By-Laws and Rules in order to eliminate the right of the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Incorporated ("CBOE") members to become NSX members without purchasing membership certificates, to eliminate NSX's Special Nominating Committee, and to remove certain special limitations on changes to certain By-Laws and Rules. The text of the proposed rule change is below. Proposed new language is in italics; proposed deletions are in [brackets]. *

CODE OF REGULATIONS (BY-LAWS) OF NATIONAL STOCK EXCHANGE

ARTICLE I. Definitions

Section 1. When used in this Code of Regulations (By-Laws), unless the context otherwise requires—

* * *

(k) The term "Proprietary Member" means a person who was a "Regular Member" prior to the effective date of these By-Laws or a person who, pursuant to the provisions of Article II of these By-Laws, has applied for, and been admitted to, membership as a proprietary member subsequent to the effective date of these By-Laws.

References contained in these By-Laws to Proprietary Members shall be deemed to refer to both Proprietary Members with certificates and Proprietary Members without certificates unless expressly provided otherwise.]

[(m) The term "Protected Provisions" shall mean the provisions contained in Articles I, II, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XII, and XIII of these By-Laws and Rules 11.9 and 11.10 of the Exchange Rules as in effect on the effective date of this provision of these By-Laws.]

([n]m) No change. ([o]n) No change.

ARTICLE II. Exchange Membership

Section 1. Classes of Exchange Members

The membership of the Exchange shall be comprised of [three] two classes of members:

- (i) Proprietary Members[with certificates].
- (ii) [Proprietary Members without certificates.
- (iii)] Access Participant Members ("Access Participants").

Section 5. Restrictions on Admittance to or Continuance in Membership and Association

5.2. Certain Restrictions Applicable to Proprietary Members Only

(a) No applicant for proprietary membership[, except an applicant who is a CBOE member,] who fails to purchase and own a certificate of proprietary membership after the Exchange has approved such person's application shall become a Proprietary Member of the Exchange. A CBOE member [shall be eligible to become who became a Proprietary Member without certificate prior to the effective date of this provision of these By-Laws ("CBOE Exerciser Member") shall have ninety days from such effective date to purchase a certificate of proprietary membership[of the Exchange without having to purchase and own a certificate of proprietary membership, provided such CBOE member meets all other requirements for eligibility set forth in these By-Laws]. During such ninety day period, a CBOE Exerciser Member who has not yet purchased a certificate of proprietary membership shall have the rights and obligations of a Proprietary Member without certificate as such rights and obligations were in effect prior to the effective date of this provision of these By-Laws. At the conclusion of the ninety

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

^{2 17} CFR 240.19b-4.