

Security's withdrawal from listing on the NYSE and from registration under section 12(b) of the Act³ and shall not affect its obligation to be registered under section 12(g) of the Act.⁴

Any interested person may, on or before October 14, 2003, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the NYSE and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁵

Jonathan G. Katz,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: [68 FR 53618, September 11, 2003]

STATUS: Closed meeting.

PLACE: 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC.

DATE AND TIME OF PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED MEETING: Thursday, September 18, 2003, 10 a.m.

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: Cancellation of meeting.

The Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 18, 2003, was cancelled.

For further information please contact: The Office of the Secretary at (202) 942-7070.

Dated: September 23, 2003.

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

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 meeting during the week of September 29, 2003:

A Closed Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 30, 2003 at 2 p.m.

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), (5), (7), (9)(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a) (3), (5), (7), (9)(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, 2003 will be:

Institution and settlement of administrative proceedings of an enforcement nature; Institution and settlement of injunctive actions; Formal orders of investigation; and Adjudicatory matter.

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: September 23, 2003.

Margaret McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Public Company Accounting Oversight Board; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rules Relating to Compliance With Auditing and Related Professional Practice Standards and Advisory Groups

September 22, 2003.

Pursuant to section 107(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Act"),

notice is hereby given that on July 14, 2003, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (the "Board" or the "PCAOB") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rules described in Items I and II below, which items have been prepared by the Board. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rules from interested persons.

I. Board's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rules

On June 30, 2003, the Board adopted rules relating to compliance with auditing and related professional practice standards and relating to advisory groups. The proposal includes two rules (PCAOB Rules 3100 and 3700) and a definition that would appear in Rule 1001. The text of the proposed rules is as follows:

Section 1. General Provisions

Rule 1001. Definitions of Terms Employed in Rules

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(a)(viii) Auditing and Related Professional Practice Standards.

The term "auditing and related professional practice standards" means the auditing standards, related attestation standards, quality control standards, ethical standards, and independence standards (including any rules implementing Title II of the Act), and any other professional standards, that are established or adopted by the Board under section 103 of the Act.

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Section 7. Professional Standards

Part 1—General Requirements

Rule 3100. Compliance With Auditing and Related Professional Practice Standards

A registered public accounting firm and its associated persons shall comply with all applicable auditing and related professional practice standards.

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Part 7—Establishment of Professional Standards

Rule 3700. Advisory Groups

(a) Formation.

To assist it in carrying out its responsibility to establish auditing and related professional practice standards, the Board will convene one or more advisory groups, in accordance with section 103(a)(4) of the Act.

(b) Composition.

Advisory groups, in combination or as sub-groups designated by the Board within one advisory group, will contain

³ 15 U.S.C. 78j(b).

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78j(g).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(1).