A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to limit the liability of OCC to Phlx members and member organizations resulting from their use, non-use or inability to use the Linkage. The Phlx, along with the American Stock Exchange LLC, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc., the International Securities Exchange, Inc., and the Pacific Exchange, Inc. (together with the Phlx, known as the "Exchanges"), entered into an agreement with OCC regarding the construction and on-going maintenance and operation of the Linkage (the "Agreement"). In the Agreement, the Exchanges consented to each file a proposed rule change with the Commission limiting OCC's liability to the respective Exchanges' members. The Phlx believes that the present proposed rule change satisfies its respective obligation.

The Phlx believes that the proposed rule change is a reasonable extension of the existing limitation of liability enjoyed by the Exchange in Phlx By-Law Article XII, Section 12-11 (the "By-Law") to OCC. Both the OCC and the Exchange are performing functions related to the on-going maintenance and operation of the Linkage, the benefits of which are enjoyed by the Exchange's members. While the Phlx believes that the By-Law would afford the Exchange protection from liability from members' and member organizations' use of Exchange facilities regarding Linkage, the By-Law, in its current form, does not extend similar protection to OCC. The proposed By-Law amendment would extend that protection to OCC, which should prevent OCC from being the target of liability claims made by members and member organizations who may look for satisfaction to an otherwise unprotected OCC. The Phlx believes that this protection should contribute to the efficient operation of the Linkage.

2. Statutory Basis

The Phlx believes that its proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act³ in general, and furthers the objectives of Section 6(b)(5) of the Act⁴ in particular, in that it is intended to promote just and equitable principles of trade, foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest by promoting efficient operation of the Linkage by extending liability protection to OCC, which provides functions related to the Linkage's on-going maintenance and operations.

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

The Phlx does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition.

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

The Phlx neither solicited nor received written comments concerning the proposed rule change.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding, or (ii) as to which the Phlx consents, the Commission will:

(A) By order approve such proposed rule change; or

(B) Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

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. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. 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 Room. Copies of such filings will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx. All

submissions should refer to File No. SR–Phlx–2003–43 and should be submitted by September 9, 2003.

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

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary. [FR Doc. 03–21178 Filed 8–18–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8010–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4450]

Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizen Services, Office of Children's Issues; 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Form DS–3013, Application for Assistance Under The Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction; OMB Control Number 1405–0076

AGENCY: Department of State. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

The following summarizes the information collection proposal submitted to OMB:

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Originating Office: Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizen Service, Office

of Children's Issues, CA/OCS/CI

Title of Information Collection: Application for Assistance Under The Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects

of International Child Abduction. Frequency: On occasion. Form Number: DS–3013. Respondents: Individuals. Estimated Number of Respondents: 500.

Average Hours Per Response: 1. Total Estimated Burden: 500 hours. Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

• Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

• Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

^{4 15} U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁵ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

• Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

• Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents may be obtained from Office of Children's Issues, CA/OCS/CI, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520-4818, 202-312-9700. Public comments and questions should be directed to the State Department Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20530, who may be reached on 202-395-3897.

Dated: August 8, 2003.

Dianne M. Andruch,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, [FR Doc. 03-21204 Filed 8-18-03; 8:45 am]

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

2003–2004 Allocations of the Tariff-rate Quotas for Raw Cane Sugar, Refined Sugar, and Sugar-Containing Products

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is providing notice of the country-bycountry allocations of the in-quota quantity of the tariff-rate quotas for imported raw cane sugar, refined sugar, and sugar-containing products for the period that begins October 1, 2003 and ends September 30, 2004.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries may be mailed or delivered to Sharon Sydow, Director of Agricultural Trade Policy, Office of Agricultural Affairs, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Sydow, Office of Agricultural Affairs, 202-395-6127.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Additional U.S. Note 5 to chapter 17 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), the United States maintains tariff-rate quotas for imports of raw cane and refined sugar. Pursuant to additional U.S. Note 8 to chapter 17 of the HTS, the United States also maintains a tariff-rate quota for certain sugar-containing products.

Section 404(d)(3) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3601(d)(3)) authorizes the President to allocate the in-quota quantity of a tariffrate quota for any agricultural product among supplying countries or customs areas. The President delegated this authority to the United States Trade Representative under Presidential Proclamation 6763 (60 FR 1007).

The in-quota quantity of the tariff-rate quota for raw cane sugar for the period October 1, 2003-September 30, 2004, has been established by the Secretary of Agriculture at 1,117,195 metric tons, raw value (1,231,497 short tons), the minimum to which the United States is committed under the World Trade Organization Agreement. The quantity of 1,117,195 metric tons, raw value is being allocated to the following countries:

Country	FY 2004 allocation
Argentina	45,281
Australia	87,402
Barbados	7,371
Belize	11,583
Bolivia	8,424
Brazil	152,691
Colombia	25,273
Congo	7,258
Cote d'Ivoire	7,258
Costa Rica	15,796
Dominican Republic	185,335
Ecuador	11,583
El Salvador	27,379
Fiji	9,477
Gabon	7,258
Guatemala	50,546
Guyana	12,636
Haiti	7,258
Honduras	10,530
India	8,424
Jamaica	11,583 7,258
Madagascar Malawi	10,530
Mauritius	12,636
Maunius	7,258
Mozambique	13,690
Nicaragua	22,114
Panama	30,538
Papua New Guinea	7,258
Paraguay	7,258
Peru	43,175
Philippines	142,160
South Africa	24,220
St. Kitts & Nevis	7,258
Swaziland	16,849
Taiwan	12,636
Thailand	14,743
Trinidad-Tobago	7,371
Uruguay	7,258
Zimbabwe	12,636

These allocations are based on the countries' historical shipments to the United States. The allocations of the raw cane sugar tariff-rate quota to countries that are net importers of sugar are

conditioned on receipt of the appropriate verifications of origin.

This allocation includes the following minimum quota-holding countries: Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Gabon, Haiti, Madagascar, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, St. Kitts & Nevis, and Uruguay.

The in-quota quantity of the tariff-rate quota for refined sugar for the period October 1, 2003–September 30, 2004, has been established by the Secretary of Agriculture at 39,000 metric tons, raw value (42,990 short tons), of which the Secretary has reserved 18,656 metric tons (20,565 short tons) for specialty sugars. Of the quantity not reserved for specialty sugars, a total of 10,300 metric tons (11,354 short tons) is being allocated to Canada and 2.954 metric tons (3,256 short tons) is being allocated to Mexico. The remaining 7,090 metric tons (7,815 short tons) of the in-quota quantity not reserved for specialty sugars may be supplied by any country on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to any other provision of law. The 18,656 metric tons (18,360 short tons) reserved for specialty sugars is also not being allocated among supplying countries and is available on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to any other provision of law.

With respect to the tariff-rate quota of 64,709 metric tons (71,329 short tons) for certain sugar-containing products maintained pursuant to additional U.S. Note 8 to chapter 17 of the HTS, 59,250 metric tons (65,312 short tons) of sugarcontaining products is being allocated to Canada. The remaining in-quota quantity for this tariff-rate quota is available to other countries on a firstcome, first-served basis. Conversion factor: 1 metric

ton=1.10231125 short tons.

Allen F. Johnson,

Chief Agricultural Negotiator. [FR Doc. 03-21129 Filed 8-18-03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3190-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

FAA Approval of Noise Compatibility Program 14 CFR Part 150, Toledo Express Airport, Toledo, OH

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its findings on the noise compatibility program submitted by the Toledo-Lucas county Port Authority under the