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COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

U.S. SECURITIES AND
EXCHANGE COMMISSION

COMMISSION ASKED CONTINUED COOPERATION
IN VOLUNTARY MORATORIUM ON OPTIONS EXPANSION

The Commission announced that it has requested the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and each national securities exchange which presently trades, or which has proposed to trade standardized options to continue to honor the Commission's July 18, 1977 request for a voluntary moratorium on further expansion of options trading until the Commission has had the opportunity to review and evaluate the findings of its current investigation and study of the options markets.

The Commission's determination to make this request is based upon its desire to resolve its regulatory concerns with respect to the options markets in a cooperative effort with the concerned self-regulatory organizations, rather than by formalizing the moratorium on expansion of options trading by the adoption, at this time, of proposed Rule 9b-1(T). In this connection, the Commission notes that the self-regulatory organizations have demonstrated, by their compliance with the voluntary moratorium to date, their willingness to assist the Commission in its effort to complete the Options Study as expeditiously as possible and to aid the Commission in developing the data necessary to enable the Commission to evaluate various proposals to expand options trading. In furtherance of this cooperative effort, the Commission also has requested that the self-regulatory organizations withdraw those rule change proposals presently pending before the Commission which would have the effect of expanding options trading. (Rel. 34-14878)

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COURT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

BARBARA BELLE ENJOINED

The New York Regional Office announced that on May 23 the Honorable Charles H. Tenney of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York signed a final judgment of permanent injunction against Barbara Belle, also known as Barbara B. Newman (Belle), of Los Angeles, California. The judgment enjoins Belle from further violations of Section 5 and 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and Rule 10b-5 thereunder. The complaint, which was filed on October 31, 1977, alleges that Belle and fourteen other defendants participated in an illegal distribution of, and a manipulation of the trading market for, the common stock of Dimensional Entertainment Corporation. Belle consented to the entry of the injunction without admitting or denying the allegations of the Commission's complaint. The civil injunctive action is currently pending against three defendants. (SEC v. Dimensional Entertainment Corporation, 77 Civ. 5290 CHT). (LR-8442)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

VARIABLE ANNUITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

An order has been issued on an application of Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company of America declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. (Rel. IC-10286 - June 22)

HOLDING COMPANY ACT RELEASES

CENTRAL AND SOUTH WEST FUELS

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until July 18 to request a hearing on a proposal of Central Power and Light Company, Southwestern Electric Power Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma and West Texas Utilities Company, all subsidiaries of Central and South West Corporation, to organize a new fuel subsidiary, Central and South West Fuels, Inc. (Rel. 35-20596 - June 22)

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER SERVICE CORPORATION

An order has been issued authorizing a proposal of American Electric Power Company, Inc., a registered holding company, and its subsidiary, American Electric Power Service Corporation, that Service Company issue a note and procure letters of credit in connection with a casualty insurance program and that AEP guarantee said letters of credit. (Rel. 35-20597 - June 22)

SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until July 17 to request a hearing on a proposal of Southwestern Electric Power Company, subsidiary of Central and South West Corporation, to issue and sell at competitive bidding \$50 million of first mortgage bonds. (Rel. 35-20598 - June 22)

YANKEE ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANY

An order has been issued authorizing a proposal of Yankee Atomic Electric Company, subsidiary of New England Electric System and Northeast Utilities, that it issue and sell its note in the maximum principal amount of \$10 million to a bank. (Rel. 35-20599 - June 22)

ALABAMA POWER COMPANY

An order has been issued releasing jurisdiction over the terms and conditions of a proposal of Alabama Power Company, subsidiary of The Southern Company, whereby Alabama will amend its installment sales agreement with an agency of the Town of West Jefferson, Alabama, for the purpose of financing the further construction of pollution control facilities through the issuance by the agency of an additional \$48 million of pollution control revenue bonds. (Rel. 35-20600 - June 22)

LISTING, DELISTING AND UNLISTED TRADING ACTIONS

DELISTING GRANTED

An order has been issued granting the application submitted by the American Stock Exchange, Inc. to strike from listing and registration the common stock (par value 10¢) of Sitkin Smelting & Refining, Inc. (Rel. 34-14872)

SELF-REGULATORY ORGANIZATIONS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

The following stock exchanges have filed proposed rule changes pursuant to Rule 19b-4: The Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. (SR-PHLX-78-12) to permit an additional exception to the order priority rules. Publication of the proposal is expected to be made in the Federal Register during the week of June 19. (Rel. 34-14871); The National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (SR-NASD-78-5) to require underwriters for investment companies to notify the NASD if a check received from a dealer for payment of an open transaction is returned by a bank as uncollectable. (Rel. 34-14873); and The Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. (SR-CBOE-78-16) to provide a March, June, September, and December expiration cycle for certain classes of listed options. (Rel. 34-14874)

Publication of the above proposals are expected to be made in the Federal Register during the week of June 26.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RULE CHANGE

The Commission has approved proposed rule changes filed by the Pacific Stock Exchange Inc. (SR-PSE-78-8) and the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. (SR-CBOE-78-11). The rule changes provide investors with a simple and inexpensive procedure for the arbitration of small claims against member firms. (Rel. 34-14881)

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; and File number and date filed.

- (S-1) SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING CORP., Campanelli Parkway, Stoughton, Mass. 02072 - 357,500 shares of common stock. Underwriter: Laidlaw Adams & Peck Inc. The company engineers and manufactures electroplating systems. (File 2-61938 - June 22)
- (S-7) GENERAL MOTORS ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, 767 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022 (212) 486-3824 - \$250 million of notes, due July 15, 1985. Underwriter: Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc., 55 Water St., New York, N.Y. The company's principal business is to finance the acquisition by dealers for resale of various new automotive and nonautomotive products manufactured by General Motors Corporation. (File 2-61939 - June 22)
- (S-1) GUARDIAN EXPLORATION, LTD.--1978B, 1900 Houston Natural Gas Bldg., Houston, Tex. 77002 - 1,000 units of preformation limited partnership units. Underwriter: FGI Securities Corp., 1900 Houston Natural Gas Bldg., Houston, Tex. 77002. (File 2-61940 - June 22)
- (S-7) UNIROYAL, INC., Oxford Management & Research Center, Middlebury, Conn. 06749 (203) 573-2000 - 1,000,000 shares of cumulative convertible second preferred stock, Series A. Underwriter: Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb Inc. The company is an international developer and marketer of chemical, rubber and plastic products. (File 2-61941 - June 22)
- (S-8) SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., Sears Tower, Chicago, Ill. 60684 (312) 875-5766 - 8,000,000 common shares. (File 2-61942 - June 21)
- (S-7) SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, P.O. Box 21106, Shreveport, La. 71156 (318) 222-2141 - \$50 million of first mortgage bonds, Series O. The company is engaged in the business of furnishing electric service. (File 2-61943 - June 22)
- (S-1) GLOBAL MARINE INC., 811 West Seventh St., Los Angeles, Cal. 90017 - \$20 million of senior subordinated debentures. Underwriter: Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc. The company is principally engaged in marine oil and gas drilling. (File 2-61944 - June 22)
- (S-8) APPLIED DEVICES CORPORATION, 60 Plant Ave., Hauppauge, N.Y. 11787 - 300,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-61945 - June 22)
- (S-1) ALL-STATES LEASING COMPANY, 606 Strain Bldg., Great Falls, Mon. 59403 (406) 761-7510 - \$4 million of subordinated notes. Underwriters: Foster & Marshall Inc. and D.A. Davidson & Co. Inc. The company is engaged in leasing various types of capital equipment. (File 2-61946 - June 12)
- (S-16) LABARGE, INC., 500 Broadway Bldg., St. Louis, Mo. 63102 (314) 231-3400 - 50,000 shares of common stock. (File 2-61947 - June 22)
- (S-14) FIRST MICHIGAN BANK CORPORATION, 101 East Main St., Zeeland, Mich. 49464 (616) 772-3000 - an undetermined number of common stock. (File 2-61948 - June 22)
- (S-6) NUVEEN TAX-EXEMPT BOND FUND - MEDIUM TERM, SERIES 11, 209 South LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60604 - 75,000 units. Depositor: John Nuveen & Co. Inc. (File 2-61949 - June 22)
- (S-14) REPUBLIC FRANKLIN INCORPORATED, 366 East Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215 (614) 228-5203 - \$2, 840,284 of 8% sinking fund debentures, due 1993. (File 2-61950 - June 22)
- (S-1) MACMILLAN BLOEDEL LIMITED, 1075 West Georgia St., Vancouver, B.C. V6E 3R9 - an indeterminate number of common shares. The company carries on an integrated forest products business. (File 2-61951 - June 22)

NOTICE

Many requests for copies of documents referred to in the SEC News Digest have erroneously been directed to the Government Printing Office. Copies of such documents and of registration statements may be ordered from the Public Reference Section, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549. The reproduction cost is 10c per page plus postage (7 days) (\$3.50 minimum); 20c per page plus postage for expedited service (4 days) (\$5.00 minimum) and 30c per page plus postage for priority service overnight (\$5.00 minimum). Cost estimates are given or request. All other reference material is available in the SEC Docket.

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