

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Fixed Gauges Licenses," Dated October 1998

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of NUREG-1556, Volume 4, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance about Fixed Gauges Licenses," dated October 1998.

ADDRESSES: Copies of NUREG-1556, Vol. 4, may be obtained by writing to the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, P.O. Box 37082, Washington, DC 20402-9328. Copies are also available from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161. A copy of the document is also available for inspection and/or copying for a fee in the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, DC 20555-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sally L. Merchant, Mail Stop TWFN 9-F-31, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555. Telephone: 301-415-7874.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 23, 1997 (62 FR 67100), NRC announced the availability of draft NUREG-1556, Volume 4, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance about Fixed Gauges Licenses," dated October 1997, and requested comments on it. This draft NUREG report was the fourth program-specific guidance developed to support an improved materials licensing process. The NRC staff considered all the comments, including constructive suggestions to improve the document, in the preparation of the final NUREG report.

The final version of NUREG-1556, Volume 4, is now available for use by applicants, licensees, NRC license reviewers, and other NRC staff. It supersedes the guidance for applicants and licensees previously found in Draft Regulatory Guide and Value/Impact Statement, FC 404-4, "Guide for the Preparation of Applications for Licenses for the Use of Sealed Sources and Nonportable Gauging Devices," dated January 1985, in Office of Nuclear

Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Policy and Guidance Directive (P&GD), FC 85-4, "Standard Review Plan for Applications for Use of Sealed Sources and Nonportable Gauging Devices," dated February 6, 1985, and in NMSS P&GD, FC 85-8, Revision 1, "Licensing of Fixed Gauges and Similar Devices," dated June 29, 1988. In addition, the draft report also contained information found in pertinent Technical Assistance Requests and Information Notices. NRC staff will use this final report in reviewing these applications.

NUREG-1556, Volume 4, will also be available electronically approximately 1 month after publication of this notice by visiting NRC's Home Page (<http://www.nrc.gov>) and choosing "Nuclear Materials," and then "NUREG-1556, Volume 4."

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

In accordance with the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Act of 1996, NRC has determined that this action is not a major rule and has verified this determination with the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of November, 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Donald A. Cool,

Director, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Master Materials Licenses, Availability of Draft NUREG

AGENCY: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is announcing the availability of and requesting comment on draft NUREG-1556, Volume 10, "Consolidated Guidance about Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance about Master Materials Licenses," dated October 1998.

NRC is using Business Process Redesign techniques to redesign its materials licensing process, as described in NUREG-1539, "Methodology and Findings of the NRC's Materials

Licensing Process Redesign." A critical element of the new process is consolidating and updating numerous guidance documents into a NUREG series of reports. This draft NUREG report is the tenth program-specific guidance developed to support an improved materials licensing process.

The guidance is intended for use by Federal applicants and licensees, and NRC staff. This document updates the guidance for applicants and licensees previously found in Policy and Guidance Directive (P&GD) 6-02, Revision 1: "Standard Review Plan (SRP) for License Application for Master Material License," dated September 25, 1997. Note that this document is strictly for public comment and is not for use in preparing or reviewing applications for Master Materials licenses until it is published in final form. It is being distributed for comment to encourage public participation in its development.

DATES: The comment period ends March 8, 1999. Comments received after that time will be considered if practicable.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Hand-deliver comments to 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Federal workdays. Comments may also be submitted through the Internet by addressing electronic mail to d1m1@nrc.gov.

Those considering public comment may request a free single copy of draft NUREG-1556, Volume 10, by writing to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Mrs. Sally L. Merchant, Mail Stop TWFN 9-F-31, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Alternatively, submit requests through the Internet by addressing electronic mail to slm2@nrc.gov. A copy of draft NUREG-1556, Volume 10, is also available for inspection and/or copying for a fee in the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, DC 20555-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Sally L. Merchant, Mail Stop TWFN 9-F-31, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, telephone (301) 415-7874; electronic mail address: slm2@nrc.gov.

Electronic Access

Draft NUREG-1556, Volume 10, will be available electronically by visiting NRC's Home Page (<http://www.nrc.gov/>)

NRC/nucmat.html) approximately 4 weeks after the publication date of this notice.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of November, 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Donald A. Cool,

Director, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application To Withdraw From Listing and Registration; (Unity Bancorp, Inc., Common Stock, No Par Value) File No. 1-12431

December 1, 1998.

Unity Bancorp, Inc. ("Company") has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 12d2-2(d) promulgated thereunder, to withdraw the above specified security ("Security") from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Amex" or "Exchange").

The reasons cited in the application for withdrawing the Security from listing and registration include the following:

On August 20, 1998, the Board of Directors of the Company unanimously approved a resolution to withdraw the Company's Security from trading on the Exchange and to list the Security on the Nasdaq. In making the decision to withdraw its Security from listing on the Exchange, the Company considered the direct and indirect costs and benefits involved and determined that trading on the Nasdaq better suited its needs. Trading in the Company's Security on the Nasdaq commenced at the opening of business on September 21, 1998.

The Company has complied with Rule 18 of the Amex by notifying Amex of its intention to withdraw its Security from listing on the Exchange by letter dated August 24, 1998, and by filing a copy of the resolution with the Exchange. The Exchange replied by letter dated August 26, 1998, advising that the Exchange would not interpose any objection to such action, nor require the Company to send common stockholders any statement with respect thereto.

The Company also originally intended to delist its Common Stock Purchase

Warrants ("Warrants") from Amex and to list the Warrants on Nasdaq. The Warrants, however, did not meet the Nasdaq's float requirement and the Company elected to keep the Warrants on the Amex. By letter dated September 14, 1998, the Amex consented to this procedure.

Any interested person may, on or before December 22, 1998, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the Exchange 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.

Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-40723; File No. SR-NASD-98-52]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto and Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval to Amendment No. 2 to the Proposed Rule Change Relating to Supervision of Correspondence

November 30, 1998.

I. Introduction

On July 24, 1998, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD") or "Association"), through its wholly-owned subsidiary, the NASD Regulation, Inc. ("NASDR"), submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend NASD Rule 3010 to state that firms must review incoming, written

correspondence to identify customer complaints and funds. On August 26, 1998, the NASDR submitted Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³

The proposed rule change, as amended, was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on September 3, 1998.⁴ Four comment letters were received on the proposal.⁵ On November 12, 1998, the NASDR filed Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change.⁶ The Commission solicits comments on Amendment No. 2 from interested persons. This order approves the proposed rule change and Amendment No. 1 thereto and approves Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change on an accelerated basis.

II. Background and Description of the Proposal

In December 1997, the SEC approved rule amendments and a Notice to Members that were designed to allow firms to develop flexible supervisory procedures for the review of correspondence with the public.⁷ The amendments were intended to recognize the growing use of electronic communications such as "e-mail" while still providing for effective supervision. Notice to Members 98-11, issued by the

³ See Letter from Mary N. Revell, Associate General Counsel, NASDR, to Katherine A. England, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation ("Division"), Commission, dated August 24, 1998 ("Amendment No. 1"). In Amendment No. 1, NASDR proposes to replace the word "should" in the text of the proposed rule with the word "must."

⁴ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 40372 (August 27, 1998), 63 FR 47059.

⁵ See Letters to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Commission, from Michael L. Kerley, Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, MML Investors Services, Inc., dated September 18, 1998 ("MML Letter"); Theodore A. Mathas, President NYLIFE Securities, dated September 23, 1998 ("NYLSEC Letter"); Janet G. McCallen, Executive Director, International Association for Financial Planning, dated September 23, 1998 ("IAFP Letter"); and Joseph P. Savage, Assistant Counsel, Investment Company Institute, dated September 24, 1998 ("ICI Letter").

⁶ See Letter from Mary N. Revell, Associate General Counsel, NASDR, to Katherine A. England, Assistant Director, Division, Commission, dated November 12, 1998 (Amendment No. 2). In Amendment No. 2, in addition to making several technical amendments, the NASDR addresses the issues raised in the comment letters. The NASDR proposes to revise its draft Notice to Members to clarify that: (1) registered representatives can forward opened mail; (2) maintenance of a log should be only for "securities" products; and (3) customers should be informed that they can contact a central office of the member firm for any reason, including to file a complaint. The NASDR also proposes to specifically state that member firms have a legal right to review incoming, written correspondence. Finally, the NASDR proposes to change the effective date of the new amendments to 60 days following publication of its Notice to Members.

⁷ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 39510 (December 31, 1997) 63 FR 1131 (January 8, 1998).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.