

Exchanges would violate both Section 4(c) and Section 15 of the Act.

[FR Doc. 99-22013 Filed 8-24-99; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6351-01-M

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Application of the New York Mercantile Exchange in Mid-Columbia Electricity Futures Contracts Submitted Under 45-Day Fast Track Procedures

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the terms and conditions of proposed commodity futures contract.

SUMMARY: The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in Mid-Columbia electricity futures contracts. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposal for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purpose of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 9, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the NYMEX Mid-Columbia electricity futures contract.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact Joseph Storer of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581, telephone (202) 418-5282. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: jstorer@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed designation application was submitted pursuant to the Commission's Fast Track procedures for streamlining the review of futures contract rule amendments and new contract approvals (62 FR 10434). Under those procedures, the proposal, absent any contrary action by the Commission, may

be deemed approved at the close of business on October 4, 1999, 45 days after receipt of the proposal. In view of the limited review period under the Fast Track procedures, the Commission has determined to publish for public comment notice of the availability of the terms and conditions for 15 days, rather than 30 days as provided for proposals submitted under the regular review procedures.

Copies of the terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies of the proposed amendments can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address, by phone at (202) 418-5100, or via the internet on the CFTC website at www.cftc.gov under "What's New & Pending".

Other materials submitted by the NYMEX in support of the proposal may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR Part 145 (1997)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data views, or arguments on the proposals, or with respect to other materials submitted by the NYMEX should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 19, 1999.

John R. Mielke,

Acting Director.

[FR Doc. 99-22012 Filed 8-24-99; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6351-01-M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB review; comment request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of

information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title, Form Number, and OMB Number: Application for the U.S. Army ROTC 2-Year and 3-Year Scholarship; ROTC Cadet Command Form 166-R; OMB Number 0702-0083.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Number of Respondents: 3,870.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 3,870.

Average Burden per Response: 30 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,935.

Needs and Uses: The application is used in the selection process for 2-year and 3-year ROTC scholarships. The ROTC scholarship is an incentive to attract men and women to pursue educational degrees in the academic disciplines required by the Army. The applications are available to students of colleges and universities that host Army ROTC. Completed applications are submitted to Headquarters, Cadet Command for review, screening, and selection of scholarship recipients.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Edward C. Springer.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: August 19, 1999.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

[FR Doc. 99-21969 Filed 8-24-99; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 5001-10-M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Intelligence Agency, Science and Technology Advisory Board Closed Panel Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Intelligence Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby given that a closed meeting of the DIA Science and Technology Advisory Board has been scheduled as follows:

DATES: 8 September 1999 (8 am to 4 pm).

ADDRESSES: The Defense Intelligence Agency, 3100 Clarendon Blvd, Arlington, VA 22201-5300.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maj. Donald R. Culp, Jr., USAF, Executive Secretary, DIA Science and Technology Advisory Board, Washington, D.C. 20340-1328 (202) 231-4930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The entire meeting is devoted to the discussion of classified information as defined in Section 552b(c)(1), Title 5 of the U.S. Code, and therefore will be closed to the public. The Board will receive briefings on and discuss several current critical intelligence issues and advise the Director, DIA, on related scientific and technical matters.

Dated: August 19, 1999.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

[FR Doc. 99-21968 Filed 8-24-99; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 5001-10-M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Intent To Grant an Exclusive License to Stevens Institute of Technology

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.
ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: In compliance with 37 CFR 404 et seq., the Department of the Army hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to Stevens Institute of Technology, an educational institution having its principle place of business at Castle Point on Hudson, Hoboken, NJ 07030, an exclusive license relative to patent applications concerning a jointly developed and jointly owned technology. The specific applications are PCT Application No. PCT/US99/02158 and provisional U.S. Patent Application S/W 60/073403; entitled "Methods and Apparatus for Detecting Lesion-Induced Resonances in Deoxyribonucleic Acid Via Millimeter or Submillimeter Wave Spectroscopy". Anyone wishing to object to the granting of this license has 60 days from the date of this notice to file written objections along with supporting evidence, if any.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael D. Rausa, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Technology Applications, ATTN: AMSRL-CS-TT/Bldg. 433, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland 21005-5425, Telephone: (410) 278-5028.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

[FR Doc. 99-22071 Filed 8-24-99; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3710-08-M

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 24, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and

proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 19, 1999.

William E. Burrow,

Team Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Year 2000 Field Test and Year 2001 Main Assessment of World Geography and U.S. History.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 9,600

Burden Hours: 9,870

Abstract: The Congressionally mandated 2001 National Assessment of Educational Progress will assess world geography knowledge and knowledge of U.S. History among 4th, 8th, and 12th graders. To provide contextual information to interpret the assessment information relevant background characteristics of the students and their schools and teachers are gathered as well. The clearance package provides all of the background questions and supporting information for the field test and the main study. The results of the main study will be used to provide descriptive information about programs and practices in the teaching of history and geography; suggest relationships between characteristics and assessment results; serve as a basis for monitoring change over time.

Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 202-708-9902. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.