

The Commission finds that the use of the Commentary .16 methodology to set add-on margins for non-customized Cross-Rate FCOs, in lieu of the fixed four percent requirement the Exchange currently uses, potentially provides a more economically meaningful margin. The currencies involved in the non-customized Cross-Rate FCOs that the Exchange is authorized to list and trade—the British pound, Deutsche mark, and Japanese yen—are all relatively stable currencies and it is reasonable to assume that those currencies' future volatility will be linked to their past volatility. Also, the Exchange has the authority to apply a higher add-on margin than required by the Commentary .16 methodology, when appropriate.¹³ Use of the Commentary .16 methodology further would promote efficiency because the Exchange will not have to file a proposed rule change with the Commission each time Commentary .16 methodology changes the add-on margin levels.

The Commission finds good cause for approving Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change prior to the thirtieth day after the date of publication of notice of filing thereof in the **Federal Register**. In Amendment No. 2, the Exchange made two general technical changes to Commentary .16 to Phlx Rule 722, by clarifying that Commentary .16 was applicable to non-customized Cross-Rate FCOs but not to customized Cross-Rate FCSs, and by clarifying that paragraph (c) of Commentary .16 focuses on currency pairs, *i.e.*, movements of currencies vis-a-vis each other. The amendment did not raise any new regulatory issues. Accordingly, the Commission believes that there is good cause to approve Amendment No. 2 to the proposal on an accelerated basis.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning Amendment No. 2, including whether the amendment 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 Room. Copies of the filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Phlx-99-30 and should be submitted by March 2, 2000.

V. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,¹⁴ that the proposed rule change (SR-Phlx-99-30) is approved, as amended.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁵

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3232, Amdt. 2]

State of Kentucky

In accordance with a notice received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency dated January 24, 2000, the above-numbered Declaration is hereby amended to include Hancock and Henderson Counties in the State of Kentucky as a disaster area due to damages caused by tornadoes, severe storms, torrential rains, and flash flooding that occurred on January 3-4, 2000.

In addition, applications for economic injury loans from small businesses located in the contiguous County of Breckinridge, Kentucky, and Perry, Posey, and Vanderburgh Counties in Indiana may be filed until the specified date at the previously designated location. Any counties contiguous to the above-named primary counties and not listed herein have been previously declared.

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is March 10, 2000 and for economic injury the deadline is October 10, 2000.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: February 2, 2000.

Bernard Kulik,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

In compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, SSA is providing notice of its information collections that require submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility and clarity; and on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

I. The information collections listed below will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, comments and recommendations regarding the information collections would be most useful if received by the Agency within 60 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the address listed at the end of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4145, or by writing to him at the address listed at the end of this publication.

1. Claimant's Medications—0960-0289. The Social Security Administration (SSA) uses Form HA-4632 to request that applicants for disability benefits provide information to facilitate processing their title II, Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance (OASDI) and Title XVI, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) claims. The form elicits from the claimants an updated list of medications used by the claimants. It enables the Administrative Law Judge hearing the case to fully inquire into medical treatment the claimant is receiving and the effect of medications on the claimant's medical impairments. The respondents are applicants for OASDI and SSI benefits.

Number of Respondents: 171,939.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 42,985 hours.

2. Statement of Employer—0960-0030. The information collected on Form SSA-7011 is needed by SSA to substantiate allegations of wages paid to workers when those wages do not appear in SSA's records of earnings and the worker does not have proof that payment was made. This information is

¹¹ In approving this rule, the Commission has considered the proposal's impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

¹² 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

¹³ See Phlx Rule 722(i)(8).

¹⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

¹⁵ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

used to process claims for social security benefits and to resolve discrepancies in earnings records. The respondents are certain employers who can verify allegations of wages made by the wage earner.

Number of Respondents: 925,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 308,333 hours.

3. Request for SSI Benefit Estimate—0960-0492. SSA uses Form SSA-3716 for an SSI beneficiary who wishes to request a 5-month estimate of what their benefits would be if they should return to work in the future. The respondents are SSI recipients.

Number of Respondents: 50,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 4,167 hours.

II. The information collections listed below have been submitted to OMB for clearance. Written comments and recommendations on the information collections would be most useful if received within 30 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer and the OMB Desk Officer at the addresses listed at the end of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4145, or by writing to him.

1. Vocational Rehabilitation "301" Program Development—0960-0282. The information on Form SSA-4290 is used by the Social Security Administration (SSA) to determine an individual's continued entitlement to disability benefits when that individual has medically recovered while allegedly participating in a State or alternate Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program. The respondents are State or alternate VR agencies serving such beneficiaries.

Number of Respondents: 8,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,000 hours.

2. Certificate of Election for Reduced Spouse's Benefits—0960-0398. SSA uses the information collected on Form SSA-25 to pay a qualified spouse who elects to receive a reduced benefit at an earlier age. The respondents are entitled spouses seeking reduced benefits.

Number of Respondents: 30,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 2 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,000 hours.

3. Statement of Funds You Provided to Another, Statement of Funds You Received—0960-0481. Forms SSA-2854 & SSA-2855 are used by SSA to collect information in situations where the SSI claimant alleges that money was borrowed on an informal basis from a noncommercial lender, e.g., a relative or friend, etc. These statements are completed by the borrower/claimant and the lender and are required to determine whether the proceeds from the transaction are/are not income to the borrower/claimant. If the transaction constitutes a bona fide loan, the proceeds are not income to the SSI borrower/claimant. The respondents are applicants for and recipients of SSI payments who borrow money on an informal (noncommercial) basis and individuals who lend money informally to SSI applicants and recipients.

Number of Respondents: 40,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 6,667 hours.

(SSA Address): Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Frederick W. Brickenkamp, 6401 Frederick Blvd., 1-A-21 Operations Bldg., Baltimore, MD 21235
(OMB Address): Office of Management and Budget, OIRA, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, New Executive Office Building, Room 10230, 725 17th St., NW, Washington, DC 20503

Dated: February 3, 2000.

Frederick W. Brickenkamp,
Reports Clearance Officer, Social Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice No. 3212]

Preparatory Meeting for the 2000 International Telecommunication Union World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-2000); Meeting

The Department of State announces an open meeting for the purpose of forming the United States delegation to the 2000 International Telecommunication Union (ITU) World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-2000). This meeting will solicit expressions of interest in participating as a member of the U.S. Delegation to WRC-2000 and convey information regarding planned U.S. preparatory activities in advance of the WRC. The meeting will be held from 9:30 to noon on February 16, 2000 in the Dean

Acheson Auditorium at the Department of State. Members of the general public may attend these meetings and join in the discussions, subject to the instructions of the Chair. Admission of public members will be limited to seating available. Entrance to the Department of State is controlled; people intending to attend any of these meetings should send a fax to 202-647-7407 not later than 24 hours before the meeting. This fax should provide the name of the meeting, (WRC-2000 Preparatory Meeting) and date of the meeting, your name, social security number, date of birth, and organizational affiliation. One of the following valid photo identifications will be required for admittance: US driver's license, US passport, US Government identification card. Enter from the 23rd Street entrance lobby; in view of escorting requirements, non-Government attendees should plan to arrive not later than 15 minutes before the meeting begins.

Dated: January 28, 2000.

Richard C. Beard,

Acting, U.S. Coordinator for International Communications & Information Policy, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3218]

Meeting of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee

AGENCY: United States Department of State.

ACTION: Notice of meeting of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee.

The Cultural Property Advisory Committee will meet on Monday, March 13, 2000, from approximately 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Tuesday, March 14, from approximately 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Department of State, Annex 44, Room 840, 301 4th St., SW, Washington, DC. During its meeting the Committee will continue its review and investigation of a foreign government request submitted by the Government of the Republic of Bolivia to the Government of the United States of America filed under Article 9 of the 1970 Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Notification of receipt of this request appeared in the **Federal Register** on October 8, 1999. A second notice pertaining to this request appeared in the **Federal Register** on December 10,