

Procedure Advice.⁴ The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Office of the Secretary, the Phlx and the Commission.

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

In its filing with the Commission, the Phlx included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Phlx has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

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 amend Phlx Rule 625 ("Trading Floor Training") and Advice F-30 to allow the Exchange to require from time to time its members and their respective personnel to attend mandatory training sessions related to conduct, health and safety on the Exchange's trading floor. The Phlx also proposes to amend the fine schedule in Equity Floor Procedure Advice F-30 so that it is consistent with the fine schedule in the corresponding Options Floor Procedure Advice.⁵

In 1999, the Exchange adopted Phlx Rule 625 and Advice F-30, which relate to trading floor training. Phlx Rule 625 and Advice F-30 currently focus primarily on instructing members and their respective personnel on changes in automated systems or new technology that is utilized by the Exchange.

The Phlx believes that the proposed amendment would allow the Exchange also to require its members and their respective personnel to attend mandatory training sessions related to

conduct, health and safety on the Exchange's trading floor.

The Phlx believes that conducting training sessions related to conduct, health and safety on the trading floor should promote a safer work environment and inform its members and their respective personnel of important issues related to the Exchange's trading floor. The Phlx is cognizant of the time demands that are placed on its members, and therefore intends to provide notice and schedule such training sessions only as it deems necessary and appropriate.

Additionally, the Phlx proposes to amend the fine schedule for Equity Floor Procedure Advice F-30 to make it consistent with the corresponding fine schedule in Options Floor Procedure Advice F-30.

2. Statutory Basis

The Phlx believes that the proposal is consistent with section 6 of the Act,⁶ in general, and section 6(b)(5) of the Act,⁷ in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade and to protect investors and the public interest. In addition, the Phlx believes that the proposal is consistent with section 6(b)(4) of the Act⁸ in that it provides for the equitable allocation of reasonable dues, fees and other charges among its members by conforming the fine schedules that appear in Advice F-30.

Moreover, the Phlx believes that mandatory training for equity and options floor members is consistent with the provisions of section 6(c)(3)(B) of the Act,⁹ which makes it the responsibility of an exchange to prescribe standards of training, experience, and competence for persons associated with self-regulatory organization members.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any inappropriate burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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

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

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

Within 35 days of the 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 Exchange 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 filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Phlx.

All submissions should refer to File No. SR-Phlx-2001-77 and should be submitted by September 20, 2001.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to the delegated authority.¹⁰

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3360]

State of Florida

Martin County and the contiguous counties of Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie in the State of Florida constitute a disaster area due to

⁴ The fine schedule applicable to Options Floor Procedure Advice F-30 was recently amended. See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 44537 (July 11, 2001), 66 FR 37511 (July 18, 2001) (order approving SR-Phlx-2001-36).

⁵ The Phlx Fine Schedule allows for a fine to be implemented on a three-year running calendar basis. The term "three-year running calendar basis" means that the Exchange will impose sanctions on a three-year running cycle, by which a violation of the training requirements which occurs within three years of the first violation of the training requirements, will be treated as a second occurrence, and any subsequent violation within three years of the previous violation of the training requirements will be subject to the next highest sanction specified in the Fine Schedule.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f.

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(4).

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78f(c)(3)(B).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

damages caused by heavy rainfall and flooding from Tropical Storm Barry that began on August 2, 2001. Applications for loans for physical damage as a result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on October 22, 2001 and for economic injury until the close of business on May 21, 2002 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 2 Office; One Baltimore Place, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30308.

The interest rates are:

For Physical Damage

Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere—6.625%
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere—3.312%
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere—8.000%
Businesses and Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere—4.000%
Others (Including Non-Profit Organizations) With Credit Available Elsewhere—7.125%

For Economic Injury

Businesses and Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere—4.000%

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 336011 and for economic injury the number assigned is 9M3900.

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

Dated: August 21, 2001.

Hector V. Barreto,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

National Small Business Development Centers Advisory Board; Public Meeting

The National Small Business Development Center Advisory Board will hold a public meeting at 9 a.m. est on Thursday, Sept. 13, 2001 in the Windsor Room of the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 300 Reunion Boulevard, Dallas, Texas, to discuss such matters as may be presented by members, staff of the Small Business Administration, or others present. Anyone wishing to make an oral presentation to the Board must contact Ellen Thrasher, Designated Federal Officer, in writing by letter or fax no later than September 4, 2001, in order to be put on the agenda. Ellen Thrasher, Deputy Associate Administrator, U.S. Small Business

Administration, Office of Small Business Development Centers, 409 Third Street, SW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20416 phone (202) 205-6766 fax (202) 205-7727.

Steve Tupper,

SBA Committee Management Officer.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages that will require clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Pub Law 104-13 effective October 1, 1995, The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. 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.

Written comments and recommendations regarding the information collection(s) should be submitted to the OMB Desk Officer and the SSA Reports Clearance Officer and at the following addresses:

(OMB): Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, New Executive Office Building, Room 10230, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20503.

(SSA): Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Frederick W. Brickenkamp, 1-A-21 Operations Bldg., 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235.

I. The information collection listed below will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, your comments should be submitted to SSA within 60 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-4145, or by writing to him at the address listed above.

1. *Statement Regarding Students' School Attendance—0960-0113.* Form SSA-2434 is used by the Social Security Administration to determine student entitlement status of the children of coal miners, children of their widows or the brothers of deceased miners eligible for Black Lung benefits. This form collects

information from students about to attain age 18, for the express purpose of evaluating their continuing eligibility for program benefits under the Federal Mine Safety Act of 1977. The respondents are entitled black lung children of coal miner's or their widow, or the brother of deceased black lung coal miners.

Number of Respondents: 50.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 8 hours.

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

1. *Employee Identification*

Statement—0960-0473. The information collected on Form SSA-4156 is needed in scrambled earnings situations when two or more individuals have used the same social security number (SSN), or when an employer (or employers) have reported earnings for two or more employees under the same SSN. The information on the form is used to help identify the individual (and the SSN) to whom the earnings belong. The respondents are employers who have reported erroneous wages.

Number of Respondents: 4,750.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Average Burden: 792 hours.

2. *Plan for Achieving Self-Support—0960-0559.* The information on form SSA-545 is collected by SSA when a Supplemental Security Income (SSI) applicant/recipient desires to use available income and resources to obtain education and/or training in order to become self-supportive. The information is used to evaluate the recipient's plan for achieving self-support to determine whether the plan may be approved under the provisions of the SSI program. The respondents are SSI applicants/recipients who are blind or disabled.

Number of Respondents: 7,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Average Burden: 14,000 hours.

3. *Electronic Death Registration Survey—0960-0625.* Section 205(r) requires the Social Security Administration (SSA) to enter into