

All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NYSE–2004–28. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). 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 Section, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NYSE. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR–NYSE–2004–28 and should be submitted on or before July 22, 2004.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹¹

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–49912; File No. SR–PCX–2004–47]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto by the Pacific Exchange, Inc. to Eliminate the Ability to Manually Trade With Orders and Quotes With Size in the Consolidated Book

June 24, 2004.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) ¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder, ² notice is hereby given that on June 10, 2004, the Pacific Exchange, Inc. (“PCX”

or “Exchange”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. On June 22, 2004, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

PCX is proposing to eliminate the rule that allows a Market Maker or Floor Broker to manually trade with orders and Quotes with Size ⁴ in the Consolidated Book ⁵ by vocalizing a bid or offer in a particular series and effecting a trade with the Order Book Official. The text of the proposed rule change appears below. Text to be deleted is in brackets.

Rules of the Board of Governors of the Pacific Exchange, Inc.

Rule 6—Options Trading; Priority and Order Allocation Procedures

Rule 6.76(a)–(d)(1)(C)—No change.

[Rule 6.76(d)(2) Market Makers and Floor Brokers may trade with orders and Quotes with Size in the Consolidated Book by vocalizing a bid or offer in a particular series and effecting a trade with the Order Book Official.]

Commentary .01–.02—No Change.

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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 Exchange 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. PCX has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

³ See letter from Steven B. Matlin, Senior Attorney, PCX, to Nancy J. Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation, Commission, dated June 21, 2004 (“Amendment No. 1”). In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange clarified the language describing the PCX Plus platform in the Purpose section.

⁴ See PCX Rule 6.1(b)(33).

⁵ See PCX Rule 6.1(b)(37).

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

1. Purpose

Currently, PCX Rule 6.76(d)(2) permits Market Makers and Floor Brokers to manually trade with orders and Quotes with Size in the Consolidated Book by vocalizing a bid or offer in a particular series and effecting a trade with the Order Book Official. The PCX represents that the PCX Plus platform does not support the functionality required by PCX Rule 6.76(d)(2) and that the PCX does not intend to develop such functionality. As such, the PCX believes that it is necessary to remove this provision from the Exchange's rules to conform the PCX rules to currently available and contemplated future trading procedures. The Exchange is not proposing to eliminate a Member's ability to trade with orders and Quotes with Size in the Consolidated Book. Rather, the Exchange chooses to have this type of trading available only on its electronic platform, PCX Plus. Therefore, Market Makers and Floor Brokers who wish to trade with orders and Quotes with Size in the Consolidated Book may do so by obtaining and using the PCX Plus platform.

In addition to the reason set forth above, the Exchange represents that requiring Market Makers and Floor Brokers to manually interact with an Order Book Official to execute a trade is not as efficient as executing the trade electronically via PCX Plus. The Exchange also represents that, because of the inefficiencies that exist with manual interaction, no Exchange Members have requested this functionality. Therefore, the Exchange believes that removing the rule permitting this manual interaction will have no impact on the Exchange Members.

2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act ⁶ in general and furthers the objectives of 6(b)(5) of the Act ⁷ in particular, because it is designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in facilitating transactions in securities, and to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and

¹¹ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

open market and a national market system.

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

The Exchange does not believe that the proposed rule change will impose any 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

No written comments were solicited or received with respect to the proposed rule change.

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

Within 35 days of the date of 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. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-PCX-2004-47 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609.

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For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4735]

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor; Establishment of Advisory Committee on Persons With Disabilities

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities has been established to serve the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the Agency for International Development in an advisory capacity with respect to the consideration of the interests of persons with disabilities in formulation and implementation of U.S. foreign policy and foreign assistance. The Committee is established under the general authority of the Secretary and the Department of State as set forth in Title 22 of the United States Code, in particular sections 2656 and 2651a, and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended. Applications for membership on the Advisory Committee are presently being solicited. Interested persons may forward their résumé to Christopher N. Camponovo, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, U.S.

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Department of State, 2201 "C" St., NW., Washington, DC 20520 or, in electronic form, to camponovocn@state.gov. All résumés must be received by July 14, 2004.

Dated: June 24, 2004.

Christopher N. Camponovo,

Department of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4739]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 2004, in Room 6319 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 47th Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Sub-Committee on Stability and Load Lines and on Fishing Vessels Safety to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, England from September 13th to 17th.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Harmonization of damage stability provisions in SOLAS Chapter II-1;
- Large passenger ship safety;
- Review of the Intact Stability Code;
- Revision of the Fishing Vessel Safety Code and Voluntary Guidelines;
- Review of the Offshore Supply Vessel Guidelines;
- Harmonization of the damage stability provisions in other IMO instruments, including the 1993 Torremolinos Protocol (probabilistic method);
- Review of the 2000 HSC Code and amendments to the DSC Code and the 1994 HSC Code.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing to Mr. Paul Cojeen, Commandant (G-MSE), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Room 1308, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 267-2988.

Dated: June 25, 2004.

Steven D. Poulin,

Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.

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