

7. *Date:* February 10, 2004.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* 415.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for Research Institutions and Initiatives, submitted to the Office of Challenge Grants at the November 3, 2003, deadline.

8. *Date:* February 10, 2004.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* Library of Congress—Room LJ-113.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for The Americas, submitted to the Division of Research Programs at the November 3, 2003, deadline.

9. *Date:* February 17, 2004.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* Library of Congress—Room LJ-113.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East, submitted to the Division of Research Programs at the November 3, 2003, deadline.

10. *Date:* February 20, 2004.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* 415.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for Art and Anthropology—Stabilization of Collections, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the November 3, 2003, deadline.

11. *Date:* February 27, 2004.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Room:* 415.

*Program:* This meeting will review applications for History—Stabilization of Collections, submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access at the November 3, 2003, deadline.

**Heather Gottry,**

*Acting Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING MEETING:** National Science Foundation, National Science Board and its Subdivisions.

**DATE AND TIME:** February 5, 2004: 10:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

10:15–11:15 Open Session.

11:15–12:15 Open Session.

12:15–12:30 Open Session.

12:45–1:15 Open Session.

1–1:15 Closed Session.

1:15–1:30 Closed Session.

1:30–4 Open Session.

**PLACE:** Xavier University of Louisiana, University Library, 1 Drexel Drive, New Orleans, LA 70125, [www.nsf.gov/nsb](http://www.nsf.gov/nsb).

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael P. Crosby, Executive Officer, (703) 292-7000.

**STATUS:** Part of this meeting will be closed to the public.

Part of this meeting will be open to the public.

### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

**Thursday, February 5, 2004**

#### Open

Committee on Education & Human Resources (10:15 a.m.–11:15 a.m.), Board Room.

- Minutes
- Comments from Chair
- Response to Broadening Participation Workshop Report
- Briefing on NSF Programs that Address Minority-Serving Institutions Committee on Programs & Plans (11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.), Board Room.

- High Risk Research
- Long-Lived Data Collections
- NRC Report on Setting Priorities for NSF-Sponsored Large Research Facility Projects
- Committee on Strategy and Budget (12:15 p.m.–12:30 p.m.), Board Room.

- Approval of Minutes and Chair's Remarks
- Update on the Authorization Act Section 22 Report to Congress
- Committee Members' Suggestions for CSB Activities in 2004

Executive Committee (12:45 p.m.–1 p.m.), IT Room.

- Approval of Minutes
- Plenary Session of the Board (1:30 p.m.–4 p.m.), Board Room.

- Open Minutes
- Resolution to Close March 2004
- Chairman's Report, including
  - Awards & Nominations Committee Appointments
- Director's Report, including
  - Overview of NSF FY 2005 Budget
- Committee Reports, including
  - Update on *S&E Indicators 2004*
  - Update on *Realizing America's Potential*
  - Long-Lived Data Collections
  - High Risk Research
  - Discussion of NRC Report on MREFC Priorities
  - Discussion of NAPA Report on NSF Organization & Structure
- Presentation to the Board
  - NSF Funding of Smithsonian & Other Federal Researchers

#### Closed

Executive Committee (1 p.m.–1:15 p.m.), IT Room.

- Director's Items, including
  - Specific Personnel Matters

- Future Budgets

Plenary Session of the Board (1:15 p.m.–1:30 p.m.), Board Room.

- Closed Minutes
- Reports of Closed Committees, If Any
- Staff Announcements

**Michael P. Crosby,**

*Executive Officer, NSB.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes: Meeting Notice

**AGENCY:** U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission will convene a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI). The agenda is under development, but will relate to issues arising from the revised 10 CFR part 35, Medical Use of Byproduct Material. To review agenda items as they become available, see <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/schedules/2004/> or [contactarw@nrc.gov](mailto:contactarw@nrc.gov).

**DATES:** ACMUI will hold a public meeting on March 1, 2004, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. On March 2, the ACMUI will convene at 8 a.m. for its public meeting, but will brief the Commission from 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. At 1 p.m. on March 2, the ACMUI will reconvene, if necessary, to continue its public meeting until 5 p.m. The meeting and the Commission briefing will take place at the addresses provided below.

**ADDRESSES:** *For Commission Briefing:* U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, One White Flint North Building, Commissioners' Conference Room 1G16, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD, 20852-2738.

*For Public Meeting:* U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Two White Flint North Building, Auditorium, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Angela R. Williamson, telephone (301) 415-5030; e-mail [arw@nrc.gov](mailto:arw@nrc.gov) of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

### Conduct of the Meeting

Manuel D. Cerqueira, M.D., will chair the meeting. Dr. Cerqueira will conduct

the meeting in a manner that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. The following procedures apply to public participation in the meeting:

1. Persons who wish to provide a written statement should submit a reproducible copy to Angela R. Williamson, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Two White Flint North, Mail Stop T8F5, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738. Submittals must be postmarked by February 9, 2004, and must pertain to the topics on the agenda for the meeting.

2. Questions from members of the public will be permitted during the meeting, at the discretion of the Chairman.

3. The transcript and written comments will be available for inspection on NRC's Web site ([www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov)) and at the NRC Public Document Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-2738, telephone (800) 397-4209, on or about March 22, 2004. Minutes of the meeting will be available on or about May 3, 2004.

This meeting will be held in accordance with the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (primarily Section 161a); the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App); and the Commission's regulations in Title 10, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 7.

Dated: January 23, 2004.

**Andrew L. Bates,**

*Advisory Committee Management Officer.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-49117; File No. SR-BSE-2003-31]

### Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. To Extend Trading Hours From 8 a.m. Until 9:28 a.m., and From 4:16 p.m. Until 6:30 p.m. To Allow for the Execution of Matched Orders Only

January 22, 2004.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on December 22, 2003, the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. ("BSE" 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. 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

The Exchange proposes to amend its rules to add a new chapter relating to the execution of transactions during an extended hours session. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the BSE and at 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 BSE 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 BSE 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 Exchange proposes to add new Chapter IIC to its Rules in order to provide for the facilitation of certain orders outside of the regular 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Primary Session, and the 4:01 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Post Primary Session. Specifically, the Exchange is seeking to extend trading hours from 8 a.m. until 9:28 a.m., and from 4:16 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. to allow for the execution of matched orders only. All orders for execution during the Extended Trading Session ("ETS") would need to be specifically designated and submitted with a contra order, matched in price and size. The BSE believes that the addition of the ETS will allow the BSE to more effectively compete with other exchanges that operate similar extended hours trading sessions.

During the ETS, the Exchange's auction market rules would apply, as during Primary Session trading hours, with minor exceptions. Although no book quote will be available, the Exchange will comply with the requirements of Rule 11Ac1-1 under the Act<sup>3</sup> and supply a quotation in all securities, which will be traded during

the ETS. Additionally, the BSE's Execution Guarantee Rule, as set forth in Chapter II, Section 33 of its Rules, will not apply as it is specifically tailored to the acceptance of market and marketable limit orders. Since there is no National Best Bid and Offer ("NBBO") established outside of the Primary Session, there is no way to establish what would constitute a market or marketable limit order. Moreover, the ETS is designed so as to permit the execution of matched orders only, so the concept of market or marketable limit orders does not apply.

Due to the fact that trading at any time other than the Exchange's Primary Session involves certain risks, the BSE will not permit its members to accept any orders for execution in the ETS without making certain disclosures to its customers. The BSE suggests a form of disclosure in its proposed rules, but mandates that the disclosure informs the customer that extended hours trading involves material trading risks, including the possibility of lower liquidity, high volatility, changing prices, unlinked markets, an exaggerated effect from news announcements, wider spreads and any other relevant risk.

The Exchange will systematically reject any orders designated for execution in the ETS, but which are not submitted on both sides of the market and matched exactly as to security, size, price and time of entry ("Matched Orders"). However, the Exchange will accept orders for the Primary Session during the 8 a.m. to 9:28 a.m. period of the ETS. Any orders not specifically designated for the ETS, but submitted during the 8 a.m. to 9:28 a.m. period of the ETS, will be retained for entry into the Primary Session, and will become eligible for execution at 9:30 a.m.

###### 2. Statutory Basis

The Exchange believes the proposal is consistent with Section 6(b) of the Act,<sup>4</sup> in general, and Section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> in particular, in that it is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating securities transactions, to remove impediments to perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>3</sup> 17 CFR 240.11Ac1-1.

<sup>4</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b).

<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).