

Three Pilot Securities will quote in \$0.05 per share increments and will trade in \$0.05 per share increments consistent with Test Group Two, and in addition be subject to a Trade-At Prohibition, which would generally prevent price matching by a trading center that is not displaying a quotation at the price of the best protected quotation, unless an exception applies. Pilot Securities in the control group would continue to quote and trade in the pricing increments that are currently permitted.

Pursuant to the Tick Size Pilot, Participants will collect data reflecting a variety of market quality metrics with respect to the Pilot Securities and transmit such data to the Commission. The collected data will be publicly available in an aggregated form. In addition, the Participants are required to conduct, and provide the Commission with, a publicly-available impact assessment.

III. Discussion

As discussed in the Approval Order,⁵ several actions need to occur prior to the implementation of the Tick Size Pilot, including: (1) The development and testing of applicable trading and compliance systems, (2) the filing and approval of SRO rules related to the Tick Size Pilot's quoting and trading requirements, and (3) the development and implementation of the written policies and procedures by Participants and their members that are reasonably designed to comply with the applicable quoting and trading increments. In addition, the Participants must develop appropriate policies and procedures for collecting and reporting to the Commission the requisite data in connection with the Tick Size Pilot, including the filing and approval of SRO rules requiring the collection and reporting of data from certain member firms. Data is to be collected by the Participants for periods beginning six months prior to the Pilot Period.⁶ To date, the requisite SRO rule proposals have not been filed or approved by the Commission, and there has not been an opportunity for the Participants and their members to develop and test applicable trading and compliance systems.⁷

Accordingly, the Commission believes additional time is needed for the Participants and their members to complete their preparations for implementation of the Tick Size Pilot. The Commission believes that extending the implementation date by approximately five months, to October 3, 2016, is sufficient to allow for a smooth yet timely implementation of the Tick Size Pilot, including the approval of applicable SRO rules and the development and testing of new compliance systems.⁸

Therefore, the Commission believes that it is necessary and appropriate to issue an exemption to extend the date by which the Participants must implement the Tick Size Pilot until October 3, 2016. The Commission has determined that such an exemption is consistent with the public interest, the protection of investors, the maintenance of fair and orderly markets and the removal of impediments to, and perfection of the mechanisms of, a national market system.

IV. Conclusion

It is hereby ordered, pursuant to Rule 608(e) of Exchange Act,⁹ that the Participants are exempt from implementing the Tick Size Pilot until October 3, 2016.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁰

Robert W. Errett,

Deputy Secretary.

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In addition, the Commission notes that the Participants issued technical specifications and FAQs related to the data collection requirements on October 12, 2015.

⁸ The Commission has received requests to extend the implementation date of the Tick Size Pilot or its data collection requirements for various periods. See Letter from Theodore R. Lazo, Managing Director and Associate General Counsel, SIFMA, to Stephen Luparello, Director, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated August 31, 2015 (requesting the data collection period be extended until at least three months after the requisite SRO rules are approved by the Commission and related interpretive guidance is published); Letter from Mary Lou Von Kaenel, Managing Director, Financial Information Forum, to Stephen Luparello, Director, Division of Trading and Markets, Commission, dated September 24, 2015 (requesting the data collection period be extended a minimum of six months); and Letter from Brendon J. Weiss, Co-Head, Government Affairs, Intercontinental Exchange/NYSE, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated November 4, 2015 (requesting the data collection period be extended until six months after the requisite SRO rules are approved, and the implementation date of the Tick Size Pilot until six months thereafter).

⁹ 17 CFR 242.608(e).

¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(42).

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice of open Federal Interagency Task Force Meeting.

Date and Time: December 10, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

ADDRESSES: SBA Headquarters, 409 3rd Street SW., Washington, DC 20416, in the Eisenhower Conference Room B, Concourse Level.

Purpose: This public meeting is to discuss recommendations identified by the Interagency Task Force (IATF) to further enable veteran entrepreneurship policy and programs. In addition, the Task Force will allow public comment regarding the focus areas.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), SBA announces the meeting of the Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development. The Task Force is established pursuant to Executive Order 13540 and focused on coordinating the efforts of Federal agencies to improve capital, business development opportunities and pre-established Federal contracting goals for small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans (VOB's) and service-disabled veterans (SDVOSB'S). Moreover, the Task Force shall coordinate administrative and regulatory activities and develop proposals relating to "six focus areas": (1) Access to capital (loans, surety bonding and franchising); (2) Ensure achievement of pre-established contracting goals, including mentor protégé and matching with contracting opportunities; (3) Increase the integrity of certifications of status as a small business; (4) Reducing paperwork and administrative burdens in accessing business development and entrepreneurship opportunities; (5) Increasing and improving training and counseling services; and (6) Making other improvements to support veteran's business development by the Federal government.

Additional Information: Advance notice of attendance is requested. Anyone wishing to attend and/or make a presentation to the Task Force must contact Cheryl Simms by November 27, 2015 by email in order to be placed on the agenda. Comments for the record should be applicable to the "six focus areas" of the Task Force and emailed prior to the meeting for inclusion in the

⁵ 80 FR at 27545.

⁶ See Sections IV and VII of the Tick Size Pilot at 80 FR at 27548 and 27552-53.

⁷ The Commission notes that the Participants anticipate filing model data collection rule proposals with the Commission no later than November 13, 2015. See Letter from Brendon J. Weiss, Co-Head, Government Affairs, Intercontinental Exchange/NYSE, to Brent J. Fields, Secretary, Commission, dated November 4, 2015. In

public record. Comments will be limited to five minutes in the interest of time and to accommodate as many presenters as possible. Written comments should be emailed to Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison for the Task Force, Office of Veterans Business Development at vetstaskforce@sba.gov. If participants need accommodations because of a disability or require additional information, please contact Cheryl Simms, Program Liaison at (202) 205-6773, or by email at vetstaskforce@sba.gov. For more information, please visit our Web site at www.sba.gov/vets.

Dated: November 4, 2015.

Miguel J. L'Heureux,
SBA Committee Management Officer.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #14532 and #14533]

Texas Disaster #TX-00457

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the State of Texas dated 11/05/2015.
Incident: Hidden Pines Wildfire.
Incident Period: 10/13/2015 through 10/24/2015.

Effective Date: 11/05/2015.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 01/04/2016.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 08/05/2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Bastrop.

Contiguous Counties: Texas: Caldwell, Fayette, Lee, Travis, Williamson.

The Interest Rates are:

Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere	3.750
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere	1.875
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere	6.000
Businesses Without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere ...	2.625
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 14532 5 and for economic injury is 14533 0.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are Texas.

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Dated: November 5, 2015.

Maria Contreras-Sweet,
Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #14534 and #14535]

Alaska Disaster #AK-00034

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Alaska (FEMA-4244-DR), dated 10/30/2015.

Incident: Severe Storm.

Incident Period: 08/27/2015.

Effective Date: 10/30/2015.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/29/2015.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 08/01/2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 10/30/2015, Private Non-Profit

organizations that provide essential services of governmental nature may file disaster loan applications at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Areas: North Slope Borough.

The Interest Rates are:

For Physical Damage:	
Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere ...	2.625
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
For Economic Injury:	
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 14534B and for economic injury is 14535B

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James E. Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #14501 and #14502]

South Carolina Disaster Number SC-00032

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Amendment 5.

SUMMARY: This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of South Carolina (FEMA-4241-DR), dated 10/15/2015.

Incident: Severe Storms and Flooding.
Incident Period: 10/01/2015 through 10/23/2015.

Effective Date: 11/05/2015.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/14/2015.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 07/14/2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of the President's major disaster

For Physical Damage: