A second reason why the Exchange has chosen to institute this policy is to ensure that member organizations that choose to employ a joint account for their Exchange trading, rather than using individual market-maker accounts, are not disadvantaged in participating in trades vis-a-vis those member organizations that do employ individual market-maker accounts. Some member organizations choose to have their various market-makers trade in a joint account so that the member organization's positions can be more easily monitored and managed. Under the current equity policy regarding joint accounts, however, these member organizations would only be able to be represented by one joint account participant in a trading crowd at one time. On the other hand, the member organization using the individual market-maker accounts would be able to be represented by each market-maker's individual account. The proposed change would eliminate the disadvantage currently suffered by member organizations using joint account structures.

In addition to the regulatory circular, one sentence will be deleted and another added from Rule 8.16(a)(ii). This rule currently prohibits more than one joint account participant from using the joint account for trading on RAES in a particular option class unless the Exchange's Market Performance Committee ("MPC") provides an exemption. However, because any joint account participant trading in-person would be entitled to participate on the same side of a trade with his fellow joint account participants in the same trading crowd as a result of the proposed regulatory circular, the Exchange believes it is appropriate to no longer require an exemption from the MPC to have more than one participant use the joint account for trading on RAES. In any event, to participate on RAES, a member must be present in the trading crowd.

The Exchange represents that by eliminating a distinction that currently exists between member organizations that manage their positions differently, the proposed rule change furthers the objectives of Section 6(b) of the Act in general and Section 6(b)(5) in particular by providing rules that perfect the mechanisms of a free and open market and that protect investors and the public interest.

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

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change will impose no inappropriate burden on competition.

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

The Exchange 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 self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

- (A) By order approve the 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. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, DC. 20549. 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 at the Commission's Public Reference Section, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the CBOE. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-CBOE-95-65 and should be submitted by December 28, 1995.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority. 3

Margaret H. McFarland,

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of a Proposed Rule Change by the American Stock Exchange, Inc., Relating to the Listing and Trading of Equity Linked Term Notes on Non-U.S. Securities

November 30, 1995.

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 November 9, 1995, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Amex" 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 Section 107B of the Amex Company Guide to provide alternate criteria for the listing and trading of certain hybrid debt securities whose value is linked to the performance of a non-U.S. company which is traded in the U.S. market as sponsored American Depositary Shares, ordinary shares or otherwise. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Office of the Secretary, the Exchange, 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 Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change. The test of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in Section (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

On May 20, 1993 and December 13, 1993, the Commission approved amendments to Section 107 of the Amex Company Guide to provide for the listing and trading of Equity Linked

^{3 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.