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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of December 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Pao-Tsin Kuo,

Program Director, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and purpose of information collection: Request for Internet Services.

The RRB uses a Personal Identification Number (PIN)/Password system that allows RRB customers to conduct business with the agency electronically. As part of the system, the RRB collects information needed to establish a unique PIN/Password that allows customer access to RRB Internet-based services. The information collected is matched against records of the railroad employee that are

maintained by the RRB. If the information is verified, the request is approved and the RRB mails a Password Request Code (PRC) to the requestor. If the information provided cannot be verified, the requestor is advised to contact the nearest field office of the RRB to resolve the discrepancy. Once a PRC is obtained from the RRB, the requestor can apply for a PIN/Password online. Once the PIN/Password has been established, the requestor has access to RRB Internet-based services. The RRB estimates that approximately 12,000 requests for PRC's and PIN/Passwords are received annually and that it takes 5 minutes per response to secure a PRC and 1.5 minutes to establish a PIN/Password. Completion is voluntary, however, the RRB will be unable to provide a PRC or allow a requestor to establish a PIN/Password (thereby denying system access), if the requests are not completed. The RRB proposes minor, non-burden impacting, editorial changes to the PRC and PIN/Password screens.

Additional Information or Comments: To request more information or to obtain a copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (312) 751-3363. Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 N. Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Chuck Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27771]

Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

December 5, 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the

Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by December 29, 2003, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After December 29, 2003, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

KeySpan Corporation, et al.

[70-9957]

KeySpan Corporation ("KeySpan"), a registered holding company, and its subsidiary, KeySpan Insurance Company ("KIC") (collectively, "Applicants"), One MetroTech Center, Brooklyn, New York 11201, have filed, under sections 9(a), 10, 12(b) and 13(b) of the Act and rules 45 and 54 under the Act, a post-effective amendment to a previous application.

Applicants ask to expand the authority granted to KeySpan by order dated April 24, 2003 (Holding Co. Act Release No. 27669) ("Captive Order"). In the Captive Order, the Commission authorized KeySpan to organize a subsidiary to engage in activities associated with a captive insurance company. In accordance with the Captive Order, KeySpan formed KIC to provide certain insurance services to KeySpan and its subsidiaries ("KeySpan System"). Applicants request authority for KIC to expand the insurance it provides to include property, boiler and machinery, and "all risk" insurance services for the KeySpan System.

The Captive Order authorized KeySpan to organize a captive insurance company that would reinsure certain commercial insurance bought by the KeySpan System from commercial insurance companies. In particular, KIC is authorized to provide to the KeySpan System automobile liability, workers' compensation and general liability insurance coverage. In addition, KIC is authorized to provide general liability and workers' compensation insurance to its principal contractor under an Owner's Controlled Insurance Program ("OCIP"). The contractor provides

scheduled gas main construction and maintenance to the KeySpan System. Except for the general liability and workers' compensation insurance provided to the principal contractor under OCIP, KIC does not intend to extend or provide to any non-affiliated company any insurance services, unless otherwise expressly authorized by the Commission. Currently, KIC assumes the risk of the more predictable loss layer from the commercial insurers for automobile and general liability losses and for workers' compensation. Commercial insurance continues to be purchased for "unpredictable" losses above the predictable loss layers for automobile and general liability and for workers' compensation from various commercial insurance companies. To the extent that KIC procures insurance at a lower cost than could be obtained through traditional insurers, the savings in the premiums flow through ratably to the KeySpan System companies through the operation of the allocation methodology used to establish premiums.

Applicants propose that KIC offer property, boiler and machinery, and "all risk" insurance services to the KeySpan System. KeySpan currently insures these property-related risks through the traditional, commercial insurance market. It has various deductibles ranging from \$100,000 on common structures to \$2,500,000 on the KeySpan System's power generation units. It purchases limits up to \$2 billion from the commercial insurance market. Due to the state of the commercial insurance market, KeySpan has not been able to obtain coverage below the minimum \$100,000 deductible. KeySpan says that this has created a burden for some of the smaller KeySpan System companies that do not want to expose themselves to such a large self-insured retention.

KIC could be utilized, Applicants state, to provide property-related coverage with smaller self-insured retentions to those KeySpan System companies that do not have such a large capacity for risk. KIC would allocate premiums based on the property values at KeySpan System company locations down to a level of a \$10,000 deductible. This added service would not increase costs to the KeySpan System because such costs are currently, and would continue to be, paid through operating expenses, Applicants state. There would be no additional staffing requirements for KeySpan System companies. To the extent that KIC can provide insurance at a lower cost than that which could be obtained through traditional insurers, the savings will continue to flow through ratably to the KeySpan System

companies through the allocation methodology used to establish premiums.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

Jill M. Peterson,
Assistant Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-48872; File No. SR-Amex-2003-100]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Accelerated Approval to a Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 Thereto by the American Stock Exchange LLC Relating to Broker Voting on Stock Option and Equity Compensation Plans

December 3, 2003.

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 19, 2003, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. On November 21, 2003, the Amex 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 and is approving the proposal and Amendment No. 1 on an accelerated basis.

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

The Exchange proposes to amend Amex Rule 577 and section 723 of the Amex *Company Guide* to provide that a member organization holding a customer's securities in "street" name will not be permitted to give a proxy to vote such shares without instructions from the customer when the matter to be

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See letter from Claudia Crowley, Vice President, Listing Qualifications, Amex, to Nancy Sanow, Assistant Director, Division of Market Regulation ("Division"), Commission, dated November 20, 2003 ("Amendment No. 1"). In Amendment No. 1, the Exchange made technical corrections to the proposed rule change to correct typographical errors in the proposed rule text and an incorrect footnote citation in the proposal.

voted upon authorizes the implementation of or material amendment to a stock option or equity compensation plan.

Below is the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is *italicized*; proposed deleted language is [bracketed].

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American Stock Exchange Constitution and Rules

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Rule 577. Giving Proxies by Member Organization

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.11 When member organization may not vote without customer instructions.—In the list of meetings of stockholders, after proxy material has been reviewed by the Exchange, each meeting will be designated by an appropriate symbol to indicate either (a) that members may vote a proxy without instructions of beneficial owners, (b) that members may not vote specific matters on the proxy, or (c) that members may not vote the entire proxy.

Generally speaking, a member organization may not give a proxy to vote without instructions from beneficial owners when the matter to be voted upon:

(1) through (8)—No change.

(9) involves waiver or modification of preemptive rights [(except when the company's proposal is to waive such rights with respect to shares being offered pursuant to stock option or purchase plans involving the additional issuance of not more than 5% of the company's outstanding common shares (see Item 12))];

(10) and (11)—No change.

(12) [authorizes issuance of stock, or options to purchase stock, to directors, officers, or employees in an amount which exceeds 5% of the total amount of the class outstanding] *authorizes the implementation of any equity compensation plan, or any material revision to the terms of any existing equity compensation plan (whether or not stockholder approval of such plan is required by Section 711 of the Exchange's Company Guide);*

(13) through (18)—No change.

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American Stock Exchange Company Guide

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