Exchange, Inc. ("NYSE"). The Company believes the NYSE is more widely followed by the international investment community and may raise the Company's profile with investors. The Company has complied with Rule 18 of the Amex for delisting its Securities.

Any interested person may, on or before May 23, 1997, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549, facts bearing upon whether the application has been made in accordance with the rules of the exchange and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

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

#### Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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# **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

# Region VI—Advisory Council Meeting; Public Meeting

The Small Business Administration— Region VI—Houston Advisory Council, located in the geographical area of Houston, Texas, will hold a public meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, May 15, 1997. The meeting will be conducted at the Texas Commerce Bank National, Heritage Room, Third Floor, located at 510 Park Street, Beaumont, Texas 77704. This meeting will be conducted to discuss such business as may be presented by members of the District Council, the staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and others attending. For further information, write to Milton Wilson, Jr., District Director, at the Small Business Administration, 9301 Southwest Freeway, Suite 550, Houston, Texas 77074-1591 or call (713) 773-

Dated: April 30, 1997.

### Michael P. Novelli,

Director, Office of Advisory Councils. [FR Doc. 97–11982 Filed 5–7–97; 8:45 am]

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Highway Administration**

### Environmental Impact Statement; Wright, Stearns and Sherburne Counties, MN

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT. ACTION: Notice of intent.

summary: The FWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a Tier I environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for proposed highway capacity improvements on existing or new alignments that connect Interstate 95 (I–94) and Truck Highway 10 (TH 10) between the cities of Becker and St. Cloud, Minnesota. The proposed alignment connections being studied include existing and new crossings of the Mississippi River. The Tier I EIS includes the analysis needed for a location decision.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Martin, Federal Highway Administration, Galtier Plaza, Box 75, 175 Fifth Street East, Suite 500, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101–2901, Telephone (612) 291–6120; or

Ed Idzorek, Project Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation— District 3, 3725 12th Street North, St. Cloud, Minnesota 56302, Telephone (320) 654–5546.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, will prepare a Tier I EIS on a proposal to improve highway capacity for connections between Interstate 94 (I-94) and Trunk Highway 10 (TH 10) between the cities of Becker and St. Cloud, Minnesota, including a crossing of the Mississippi River. The area of the proposed improvements is located in Wright, Stearns and Sherburne Counties. Expansion of highway capacity is considered necessary within the next 20 years to provide for projected traffic demands in an area of rapid growth and development.

The Tier I EIS study will be initiated in late 1997 to examine the feasibility and potential impacts of the following alternative alignments:

- · No Build.
- Utilize the existing TH 24 corridor from I–94 northeast (through the city of Clearwater) approximately 4 kilometers (km) then north on the current alignment of a local road to connect to TH 10 at a point approximately 2 km northwest of the existing TH 10/TH 24 intersection.

- A new alignment east of the city of Clearwater that intersects with I–94 at a point approximately 2.5 km southeast of the existing TH 24/I–94 interchange, continuing in a north-northeast direction until it intersects with CSAH 8 then continues north on an existing local road alignment to intersect with TH 10 at a point approximately 2 km northwest of the existing TH 10/TH 24 intersection.
- A new alignment east of the city of St. Cloud that intersects I–94 approximately 2.8 km northwest of the existing TH 24 interchange, continues northeast across the Mississippi River and then north to connect to TH 10 in the vicinity of the existing intersection of CSAH 3 with TH 10.
- A new alignment west of the city of Becker that intersects I–94 approximately 1 km west of the freeway rest area west of the Hasty interchange, continuing north on the alignment of existing Barton Road then north on a new alignment across the Mississippi River to continue along the current alignment of CSAH 53. Approximately 2 km south of TH 10, the alignment turns north to intersect with TH 10 at a point approximately 1.3 km east of the existing intersection of TH 10 and CSAH 53.

The Tier II EIS will be prepared in 15 to 20 years, when the need for increased river crossing capacity is imminent. At that time, design alternatives for the preferred alignment will be considered and environmental impacts and mitigation will be studied in greater detail.

The "I-94/TH 10 Regional Connection Scoping Document and Draft Scoping Decision Document" will be published in the Spring of 1997. A press release will be published to inform the public of the document's availability. Copies of the scoping document will be distributed to agencies, interested persons and libraries for review to aid in identifying issues and analyses to be contained in the EIS. A 30-day comment period for review of the document will be provided. A public scoping meeting will also be held during the comment period to afford an opportunity for all interested persons, agencies and groups to comment on the proposed action.

Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. Public meetings have been held in the past and will continue to be held, with public notice given for the time and place of the meetings.