

provisions of section 15A of the Act,⁹ in general and with section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,¹⁰ in particular, in that the proposal is designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating, clearing, settling, processing information with respect to, and facilitating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

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

Nasdaq does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

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

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 days of the date of 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 such 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, including whether the proposed rule change, as amended, is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549-0609. 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 in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the NASD. All submissions should refer to File No. SR-NASD-2003-81 and should be submitted by July 3, 2003.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.¹¹

J. Lynn Taylor,

Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[License No. 02/72-0623]

Zon Capital Partners, L.P.; Notice Seeking Exemption Under Section 312 of the Small Business Investment Act, Conflicts of Interest

Notice is hereby given that Zon Capital Partners, L.P. ("Zon"), 5 Vaughn Drive, Suite 104, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, a Federal Licensee under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended ("the Act"), in connection with the proposed financing of a small concern is seeking an exemption under section 312 of the Act and § 107.730, Financials which Constitute Conflicts of Interest of the Small Business Administration ("SBA") Rules and Regulations (13 CFR 107.730 (2002)). Zon proposes to provide equity financing to HR Technologies, 2700 Westchester Avenue, Purchase, New York 10577. The financing is contemplated for funding growth and acquisitions.

The financing is brought within the purview of § 107.730(a)(1) of the Regulations because Early Stage Enterprises L.P., an Associate of Zon, owns greater than 10 percent of HRT and therefore HRT is considered an Associate of Zon as defined in § 107.50 of the Regulations.

Notice is hereby given that any interested person may, not later than fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice, submit written comments on the proposed transaction to the Associate Administrator for Investment, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409

Third Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416.

A copy of this notice shall be published, in accordance with § 107.730 (g), in the **Federal Register** by SBA.

Dated: June 6, 2003.

Jeffrey D. Pierson,

Associate Administrator for Investment.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3496, Amdt. 3]

State of Kansas

In accordance with notices received from the Department of Homeland Security—Federal Emergency Management Agency, effective May 30 and June 2, 2003, the above numbered declaration is hereby amended to establish the incident period for this disaster as beginning on May 4, 2003, and continuing through May 30, 2003. This declaration is also amended to include Allen County in the State of Kansas as a disaster area due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes and flooding occurring on May 4, 2003, and continuing through May 30, 2003.

All other counties contiguous to the above named primary county have been previously declared.

All other information remains the same, *i.e.*, the deadline for filing applications for physical damage is July 7, 2003, and for economic injury the deadline is February 6, 2004.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: June 4, 2003.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3508]

Commonwealth of Kentucky

As a result of the President's major disaster declaration on June 3, 2003, I find that Anderson, Boyd, Breckinridge, Boyle, Bullitt, Caldwell, Carter, Crittenden, Elliott, Fleming, Garrard, Grayson, Greenup, Hardin, Hart, Henderson, Hopkins, Jefferson, Jessamine, Larue, Lewis, Lawrence, Mason, McLean, Meade, Mercer, Nelson, Rowan, Union, Washington, Webster and Woodford Counties in the Commonwealth of Kentucky constitute a disaster area due to damages caused

⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3.

¹⁰ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3(6).

¹¹ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).