

the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:45 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to section 5 of the Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-21), and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker and the Majority Leader of the Senate jointly appoint the following individual to the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission: Mr. Phil Angelides of Sacramento, California, Chairman. Additionally the Speaker appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives: Ms. Brooksley Born of Washington, DC, and Mr. John W. Thompson of Woodside, California.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 5 of the Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-21), the Minority Leader appoints the following members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission: The Honorable William M. Thomas of Bakersfield, California, Vice Chairman, and Mr. Peter J. Wallison of Old Snowmass, Colorado.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2415. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for Permanent, Privately Owned Horse Quarantine Facilities" (Docket No. APHIS-2006-0013) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2416. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "User Fees; Export Certification for Plants and Plant Products" (Docket No. APHIS-2006-0137) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2417. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of

a rule entitled "Prevention of Salmonella Enteritidis in Shell Eggs During Production, Storage, and Transportation" (RIN0910-AC14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2418. A communication from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Quarterly Report to Congress on the Status of Significant Unresolved Issues with the Department of Energy's Design and Construction Projects; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2419. A communication from the Secretary of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Manned Ground Vehicle Selected Acquisition Report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2420. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program" (RIN3064-AD37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2421. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program to Extend the Debt Guarantee Program and to Impose Surcharges on Assessments for Certain Debt Issued on or After April 1, 2009" (RIN3064-AD37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2422. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons on the Entity List; Addition of Persons Acting Contrary to the National Security or Foreign Policy Interests of the United States; Removal of Persons based on ERC Annual Review and Removal Requests; and Entry Modified for Purposes of Clarification" (RIN0694-AE59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2423. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending" (Regulation Z; Docket No. R-1364) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2424. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2425. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2426. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Smart Grid Policy" (RIN1902-AD82) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2427. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "S-Abscisic Acid; Temporary Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8427-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2428. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Hawaii; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 8916-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2429. A communication from the Director of Human Resources, Office of Administration and Resources Management, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, (5) reports relative to vacancy announcements and (4) reports relative to confirmations within the Office of Management and Budget; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2430. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Ohio; Volatile Organic Compound Emission Control Measures for Cleveland" (FRL No. 8932-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2431. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Use of Byproduct Material—Authorized User Clarification" (RIN3150-AI59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2432. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation Implementation Plans; South Carolina; Transportation Conformity Memorandum of Agreement Update" (FRL No. 8936-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2433. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Draft Strategic Plan 2009 through 2014"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2434. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Compliance, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Biennial Report on Occupational Safety and Health Inspections"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2435. A communication from the Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the New Haven-Hartford and New London, Connecticut, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas" (RIN3206-AL83) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.