

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 15

Certification and Notice of Termination of Registration under
Section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or
Suspension of Duty to File Reports Under Sections 13 and 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Commission File Number: 333-81715

Reed Hourly Thrift Plan

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

42, rue Saint-Dominique
Paris, France 75007
(33-1) 4062-1000

277 Park Avenue
New York, New York, U.S.A. 10172
(212) 350-9400

Parkstraat 83
The Hague,
The Netherlands
2514 JG
(31-70) 310-5447

(Addresses, including zip codes, and telephone numbers,
including area codes, of registrant's principal
executive offices)

Participation interests in the above-referenced plan

(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)

None

(Title of all other classes of securities for which a duty
to file reports under section 13(a) or 15(d) remains)

Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule
provision(s) relied upon to terminate or suspend the duty to file reports:

Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(i)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(i)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(i)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(i)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Rule 15d-6	<input type="checkbox"/>

Approximate number of holders of record as of the certification or
notice date: 243

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Reed Hourly Thrift Plan has caused this certification/notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Date: June 16, 2000

REED HOURLY THRIFT PLAN

By: /s/ J. Christopher Holland

Name: J. Christopher Holland

Title: Secretary, Retirement Committee

-2-