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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the draft P&PL 1-82 is to provide guidance to the NRC staff for implementing the backfit provisions in 10 CFR 70.76. In this context, 10 CFR 70.76 will become effective upon issuance of the final NMSS P&PL 1-82 for all Part 70 requirements, except for subpart H, and following NRC approval of a licensee's ISA Summary, the requirements of 10 CFR 70.76 become effective for Subpart H requirements.

The availability of this document is the latest step in an NRC effort to improve the efficiency of the NRC's fuel cycle oversight program and to enable open communications with stakeholders.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of June, 2003.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET**2003 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities**

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides a list of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities, as required by the Inspector General Act of 1978 (IG Act), as subsequently amended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, at 202-395-3993.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice provides a copy of the 2003 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities, which the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is required to publish annually under the IG Act. This list is also posted on the OMB Web site at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/financial>.

The list is divided into two groups: Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities. The Designated Federal Entities are required to establish and maintain Offices of Inspector General. The Designated Federal Entities are listed in the IG Act, except that those agencies which have ceased to exist or have changed status have been deleted from the list.

Federal Entities are required to report annually to each House of the Congress and OMB on audit and investigative activities in their organizations. Federal Entities are defined as any Government corporation (within the meaning of section 103(1) of title 5, United States Code), any Government controlled corporation (within the meaning of section 103(2) of such title), or any other entity in the Executive Branch of government, or any independent regulatory agency" other than the Executive Office of the President and agencies with statutory Inspectors General. For 2003, there is one addition to the Designated Federal Entities list (Election Assistance Commission) and two deletions to the Federal Entities list (the Export-Import Bank now has a Inspector General nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, and the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science was not funded in 2003), for a total of three changes from the 2002 list.

The 2003 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities was

prepared in consultation with the U.S. General Accounting Office.

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Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management.

Herein follows the text of the 2003 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities:

2003 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities

The Inspector General Act of 1978, as subsequently amended, requires OMB to publish a list of "Designated Federal Entities" and "Federal Entities" and the heads of such entities. Designated Federal Entities were required to establish Offices of Inspector General. Federal Entities are required to report annually to each House of the Congress and the Office of Management and Budget on audit and investigative activities in their organizations.

Designated Federal Entities and Entity Heads

1. Amtrak—President
2. Appalachian Regional Commission—Federal Co-Chairperson
3. The Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System—Chairperson
4. Commodity Futures Trading Commission—Chairperson
5. Consumer Product Safety Commission—Chairperson
6. Corporation for Public Broadcasting—Board of Directors
7. Denali Commission—Chairperson
8. Election Administration Commission—Chairperson
9. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission—Chairperson
10. Farm Credit Administration—Chairperson
11. Federal Communications Commission—Chairperson
12. Federal Election Commission—Chairperson
13. Federal Housing Finance Board—Chairperson
14. Federal Labor Relations Authority—Chairperson
15. Federal Maritime Commission—Chairperson
16. Federal Trade Commission—Chairperson
17. Legal Services Corporation—Board of Directors
18. National Archives and Records Administration—Archivist of the United States
19. National Credit Union Administration—Chairperson
20. National Endowment for the Arts—Chairperson
21. National Endowment for the Humanities—Chairperson
22. National Labor Relations Board—Chairperson
23. National Science Foundation—National Science Board
24. Peace Corps—Director
25. Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation—Chairperson

26. Securities and Exchange Commission—Chairperson
27. Smithsonian Institution—Secretary
28. United States International Trade Commission—Chairperson
29. United States Postal Service—Governors of the Postal Service

Federal Entities and Entity Heads

1. Advisory Council on Historic Preservation—Chairperson
2. African Development Foundation—Chairperson
3. American Battle Monuments Commission—Chairperson
4. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board—Chairperson
5. Armed Forces Retirement Home—Board of Directors
6. Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation—Chairperson
7. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board—Chairperson
8. Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation—Chairperson
9. Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad—Chairperson
10. Commission of Fine Arts—Chairperson
11. Commission on Civil Rights—Chairperson
12. Commission on Ocean Policy—Chairperson
13. Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled—Chairperson
14. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims—Chief Judge
15. Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board—Chairperson
16. Delta Regional Authority—Federal Co-Chairperson
17. Farm Credit System Financial Assistance Corporation—Chairperson
18. Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation—Chairperson
19. Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council Appraisal Subcommittee—Chairperson
20. Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service—Director
21. Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission—Chairperson
22. Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board—Executive Director
23. Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation—Chairperson
24. Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development—Chairperson
25. Institute of Museum and Library Services—Director
26. Inter-American Foundation—Chairperson
27. James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation—Chairperson
28. Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission—Chairperson
29. Marine Mammal Commission—Chairperson
30. Merit Systems Protection Board—Chairperson
31. Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation—Chairperson
32. National Capital Planning Commission—Chairperson
33. National Council on Disability—Chairperson
34. National Mediation Board—Chairperson
35. National Transportation Safety Board—Chairperson
36. National Veterans Business Development Corporation—Chairperson
37. Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation—Chairperson
38. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board—Chairperson
39. Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission—Chairperson
40. Office of Government Ethics—Director
41. Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation—Chairperson
42. Office of Special Counsel—Special Counsel
43. Offices of Independent Counsel—Independent Counsels
44. Overseas Private Investment Corporation—Board of Directors
45. Pacific Charter Commission—Chairperson
46. Postal Rate Commission—Chairperson
47. Presidio Trust—Chairperson
48. Selective Service System—Director
49. Smithsonian Institution/John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts—Chairperson
50. Smithsonian Institution/National Gallery of Art—President
51. Smithsonian Institution/Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars—Director
52. Trade and Development Agency—Director
53. U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum—Chairperson
54. U.S. Institute of Peace—Chairperson
55. Vietnam Education Foundation—Chairperson

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Public Company Accounting Oversight Board; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rules Relating to Registration System

June 5, 2003.

Pursuant to section 107(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Act"), notice is hereby given that on May 8, 2003, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("Board" or "PCAOB") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission" or "SEC") the proposed rules described in Items I, II, and III below, which items have been prepared by the Board. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rules from interested persons.

I. Board's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rules

The Board proposes to adopt a registration system for public accounting firms to implement section 102 of the Act. The proposed registration system consists of eight rules (PCAOB Rules 2100 through 2106, and 2300, plus definitions that would appear in Rule 1001) and a form (PCAOB Form 1). The text of the proposed rules is available for inspection at the Office of the Secretary, the PCAOB, the Commission's Public Reference Room, and on the Board's Internet Web site at http://www.pcaobus.org/pcaob_rulemaking.htm.

II. Board's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rules

In its filing with the Commission, the Board included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rules and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rules. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Board has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Board's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rules

1. Purpose

Section 102 of the Act prohibits accounting firms that are not registered with the Board from preparing or issuing audit reports on issuers, as that term is defined in the Act and the Board's rules, or from participating in these activities. The Act provides that firms must register during the 180-day period following the Commission's determination that the Board has the capacity to carry out the requirements of Title I of the Act and to enforce compliance therewith.¹ The Commission made this determination on April 25, 2003. In order to permit public accounting firms to comply with this requirement, the Board has adopted proposed rules to implement a registration system. The registration system consists of eight rules (PCAOB Rules 2100 through 2106, and 2300, plus definitions that would appear in Rule 1001) and a form (PCAOB Form 1). Each of the rules and each part of the form are discussed below.

¹ See sections 101(d) and 102(a) of the Act.