than the one set forth above, or that the Postal Service's determination disposes of one or more of those issues. The deadline for the Postal Service to file the administrative record with the Commission is September 9, 2010. 39 CFR 3001.113.

Availability; website posting. The Commission has posted the appeal and supporting material on its website at http://www.prc.gov. Additional filings in this case and participants' submissions also will be posted on the website, if provided in electronic format or amenable to conversion, and not subject to a valid protective order. Information on how to use the Commission's website is available online or by contacting the Commission's webmaster via telephone at 202–789–6873 or via electronic mail at prc-webmaster@prc.gov.

The appeal and all related documents are also available for public inspection in the Commission's docket section. Docket section hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal government holidays. Docket section personnel may be contacted via electronic mail at prc-dockets@prc.gov or via telephone at 202–789–6846.

Filing of documents. All filings of documents in this case shall be made using the Internet (Filing Online) pursuant to Commission rules 9(a) and 10(a) at the Commission's website, http://www.prc.gov, unless a waiver is obtained. 39 CFR 3001.9(a) and 10(a). Instructions for obtaining an account to file documents online may be found on the Commission's website, http://www.prc.gov, or by contacting the Commission's docket section at prc-dockets@prc.gov or via telephone at 202–789–6846.

Intervention. Those, other than the petitioner and respondent, wishing to be heard in this matter are directed to file a notice of intervention. See 39 CFR 3001.111(b). Notices of intervention are due on or before September 21, 2010. A notice of intervention shall be filed using the Internet (Filing Online) at the Commission's website, http://www.prc.gov, unless a waiver is obtained for hardcopy filing. See 39 CFR 3001.9(a) and 10(a).

Further procedures. By statute, the Commission is required to issue its decision within 120 days from the date this appeal was filed. See 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5). A procedural schedule has

been developed to accommodate this statutory deadline. In the interest of expedition, in light of the 120–day decision schedule, the Commission may request the Postal Service or other participants to submit information or memoranda of law on any appropriate issue. As required by the Commission rules, if any motions are filed, responses are due 7 days after any such motion is filed. 39 CFR 3001.21.

It is ordered:

- 1. The Postal Service shall file the administrative record in this appeal, or otherwise file a responsive pleading to the appeal, by September 9, 2010.
- 2. The procedural schedule listed below is hereby adopted.
- 3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Steven M. Hoffer is designated officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public.
- 4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this notice and order and procedural schedule in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission. **Shoshana M. Grove,** *Secretary.*

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

August 25, 2010 Filing of Appeal. September 9, 2010 Deadline for Postal Service to file administrative record in this appeal or responsive pleading September 21, 2010 Deadline for petitions to intervene (see 39 CFR 3001.111(b)). Deadline for petitioner's Form 61 or initial brief in support of petition (see 39 CFR 3001.115(a) and (b)). September 29, 2010 Deadline for answering brief in support of Postal Service (see 39 CFR 3001.115(c)). October 19, 2010 November 3, 2010 Deadline for reply briefs in response to answering briefs (see 39 CFR 3001.115(d)). November 10, 2010 Deadline for motions by any party requesting oral argument; the Commission will schedule oral argument only when it is a necessary addition to the written filings (see 39 CFR 3001.116). Expiration of the Commission's 120-day decisional schedule (see 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5)). December 21, 2010

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

Extension:

Rule 0–2; SEC File No. 270–572; OMB Control No. 3235–0636.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Several sections of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act" or "Investment Company Act") 1 give the Commission the authority to issue orders granting exemptions from the Act's provisions. The section that grants broadest authority is section 6(c), which provides the Commission with authority to conditionally or unconditionally exempt persons, securities or transactions from any provision of the Investment Company Act, or the rules or regulations, if and to the extent that such exemption is necessary or appropriate in the public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly

¹ 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq.

intended by the policy and provisions of the $\mathrm{Act.}^2$

Rule 0-2 under the Investment Company Act,³ entitled "General Requirements of Papers and Applications," prescribes general instructions for filing an application seeking excemptive relief with the Commission for which a form is not specifically prescribed. Rule 0-2 requires that each application filed with the commission have (a) a statement of authorization to file and sign the application on behalf of the applicant, (b) a verification of application and statements of fact, (c) a brief statement of the grounds for application, and (d) the name and address of each applicant and of any person to whom questions should be directed. The Commission uses the information required by rule 0-

² 15 U.S.C. 80a-6(c).

^{3 17} CFR 270.0-2.

2 to decide whether the applicant should be deemed to be entitled to the action requested by the application.

Applicants for orders can include registered investment companies, affiliated persons of registered investment companies, and issuers seeking to avoid investment company status, among other entities.

Commission staff estimates that it receives approximately 125 applications per year under the Act. Although each application typically is submitted on behalf of multiple entities, the entities in the vast majority of cases are related companies and are treated as a single respondent for purposes of this analysis.

The time to prepare an application depends on the complexity and/or novelty of the issues covered by the application. We estimate that the Commission receives 20 of the most time-consuming applications annually, 80 applications of medium difficulty, and 25 of the least difficult applications. Based on conversations with applicants, we estimate that in-house counsel would spend from ten to fifty hours helping to draft and review an application. We estimate a total annual hour burden to all respondents of 3,650 hours [(50 hours \times 20 applications) + (30 hours x 80 applications) + (10 hours x25 applications)].

Much of the work of preparing an application is performed by outside counsel. The cost outside counsel charges applicants depends on the complexity of the issues covered by the application and the time required for preparation. Based on conversations with attorneys who serve as outside counsel, the cost ranges from approximately \$10,000 for preparing a well-precedented, routine application to approximately \$150,000 to prepare a complex and/or novel application. This distribution gives a total estimated annual cost burden to applicants of filing all applications of \$9,650,000 [(20 $x $150,000 + (80 \times $80,000) + (25 \times $150,000)$ \$10,000)].

These estimates of average costs are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act. The estimate is not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules.

This collection of information is necessary to obtain a benefit and will not be kept confidential. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Please direct general comments regarding the above information to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or e-mail to: Shagufta Ahmed at Shagufta_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Charles Boucher, Director/CIO, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312; or send an e-mail to:

PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 30, 2010.

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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Extension:

Rule 0–2, Form ADV–NR; SEC File No. 270–214; OMB Control No. 3235–0240.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

The title for the collection of information is "Rule 0-2" (17 CFR 275.0-2) and "Form ADV-NR" (17 CFR 279.4) under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80b-1). Rule 0-2 and Form ADV-NR facilitate service of process to non-resident investment advisers and their non-resident general partners or non-resident managing agents. The Form requires these persons to designate the Commission as agent for service of process. The purpose of this collection of information is to enable the commencement of legal and or regulatory actions against investment advisers that are doing business in the United States, but are not residents.

The respondents to this information collection would be each non-resident general partner or non-resident managing agent of an SEC-registered adviser. The Commission has estimated that compliance with the requirement to complete Form ADV–NR imposes a total burden of approximately 1 hour for an

adviser. Based on our experience with these filings, we estimate that we will receive 18 Form ADV–NR filings annually. Based on the 1.0 hour per respondent estimate, the Commission staff estimates a total annual burden of 18 hours for this collection of information.

Rule 0-2 and Form ADV-NR do not require recordkeeping or records retention. The collection of information requirements under the rule and form are mandatory. The information collected pursuant to the rule and Form ADV-NR is a filing with the Commission. This filing is not kept confidential and must be preserved until at least three years after termination of the enterprise. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number.

General comments regarding the above information should be directed to the following persons: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or send an e-mail to Shagufta Ahmed at Shagufta Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Charles Boucher, Director/CIO, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Remi Pavlik-Simon, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312; or send an e-mail to: PRA Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 30, 2010.

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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Extension:

Rule 7d–1; SEC File No. 270–176; OMB Control No. 3235–0311.

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