under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of the notice and annual explanation requirements associated with the householding provisions of the rule is to ensure that investors who wish to receive individual copies of shareholder reports are able to do so.

The Commission estimates that as of April 2006, approximately 737 UITs were subject to the provisions of rule 30e–2. The Commission further estimates that the annual burden associated with rule 30e–2 is 121 hours for each UIT, including an estimated 20 hours associated with the notice requirement for householding and an estimated 1 hour associated with the explanation of the right to revoke consent to householding, for a total of 89,177 burden hours.

In addition to the burden hours, the Commission estimates that the cost of contracting for outside services associated with complying with rule 30e-2 is \$24,640 per respondent (80 hours times \$308 per hour for independent auditor services), for a total of \$18,159,680 (\$24,640 per respondent times 737 respondents).

These estimates are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and are not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

The collection of information under Rule 30e–2 is mandatory. The information provided under Rule 30e–2 is not kept confidential. The Commission 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.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collections of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to R. Corey Booth, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Shirley Martinson 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia, 22312; or send an e-mail to: *PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.*

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, Washington, DC 20549.

Extension: Form N–4; SEC File No. 270–282; OMB Control No. 3235–0318.

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 (the "Commission") is soliciting comments on the collections of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit these existing collections of information to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for extension and approval.

The collection of information is entitled: "Form N-4 (17 CFR 239.17b and 274.11c) under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a et seq.) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a–1 et seq.) registration statement of separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts." Form N–4 is the form used by insurance company separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts that offer variable annuity contracts to register as investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and/ or to register their securities under the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act"). The primary purpose of the registration process is to provide disclosure of financial and other information to investors and potential investors for the purpose of evaluating an investment in a security. Form N-4 also permits separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts that offer variable annuity contracts to provide investors with a prospectus containing the information required in a registration statement prior to the sale or at the time of confirmation or delivery of the securities. The estimated annual number of respondents filing on Form N-4 is 48 for those filing initial registration statements and 1,894 for those filing post-effective amendments. The proposed frequency of response is annual. The estimate of the total annual reporting burden of the collection of

information is approximately 278.5 hours per initial filing and 197.25 hours for a post-effective amendment, for a total of 386,959.5 hours ((48 initial registration statements × 278.5 hours) + (1,894 post-effective amendments × 197.25 hour)). Providing the information required by Form N–4 is mandatory. Responses will not be kept confidential. Estimates of the burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and are not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

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