

adequacy of information available to investors in the registration of securities and assures public availability. Form 18-K takes approximately 8 hours to prepare and is filed by approximately 143 respondents for a total annual reporting burden of 1,144 hours. We estimate that 100% of the total burden is prepared by the company.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether this 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 imposed by 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.

Please direct your written comments to Charles Boucher/CIO, 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.

Dated: November 24, 2009.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409, that the Securities and Exchange Commission will hold a Closed Meeting on Thursday, December 3, 2009 at 2 p.m.

Commissioners, Counsel to the Commissioners, the Secretary to the Commission, and recording secretaries will attend the Closed Meeting. Certain staff members who have an interest in the matters also may be present.

The General Counsel of the Commission, or his designee, has certified that, in his opinion, one or more of the exemptions set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(3), (5), (7), 9(B) and (10) and 17 CFR 200.402(a)(3), (5), (7), 9(ii) and (10), permit consideration of the scheduled matters at the Closed Meeting.

Commissioner Casey, as duty officer, voted to consider the items listed for the Closed Meeting in a closed session.

The subject matter of the Closed Meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2009 will be: Institution and settlement of injunctive actions; institution and settlement of administrative proceedings; adjudicatory matter; and other matters relating to enforcement proceedings.

At times, changes in Commission priorities require alterations in the scheduling of meeting items.

For further information and to ascertain what, if any, matters have been added, deleted or postponed, please contact:

The Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Dated: November 25, 2009.

Elizabeth M. Murphy,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change To Adopt NASD Rules 2360 and 2361 Into the Consolidated Rulebook as FINRA Rules 2130 and 2270

November 24, 2009.

I. Introduction

On September 9, 2009, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") (f/k/a National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ("NASD")) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to adopt NASD Rule 2360 (Approval Procedures for Day-Trading Accounts) as FINRA Rule 2130 and to adopt NASD Rule 2361 (Day-Trading Risk Disclosure Statement) as FINRA Rule 2270 in the consolidated FINRA rulebook, with minor changes. The proposed rule change was published for comment in the Federal Register on October 8, 2009.³ The Commission received no comments on the proposal.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 60754 (Oct. 2, 2009), 74 FR 51886.

This order approves the proposed rule change.

II. Description of the Proposal

As part of the process of developing a new consolidated rulebook (the "Consolidated FINRA Rulebook"),⁴ FINRA proposed to adopt NASD Rules 2360 and 2361 as FINRA Rules 2130 and 2270. NASD Rules 2360 and 2361 focus on members' obligations to disclose to non-institutional customers⁵ the basic risks of engaging in a "day-trading strategy" and to assess the appropriateness of day-trading strategies for such customers. The rules define a "day-trading strategy" as "an overall trading strategy characterized by the regular transmission by a customer of intra-day orders to effect both purchase and sale transactions in the same security or securities."⁶ NASD Rule 2360 creates an obligation on members that promote a day-trading strategy regarding account-opening approval procedures for non-institutional customers. NASD Rule 2361 creates an obligation on such members to disclose to non-institutional customers the unique risks of engaging in a day-trading strategy.

Approval Procedures for Day-Trading Accounts

NASD Rule 2360 prohibits a member promoting a day-trading strategy from opening an account for a non-institutional customer unless, prior to opening the account, the member has furnished the customer with a risk disclosure statement (as described in NASD Rule 2361) and has either (1) approved the customer's account for a day-trading strategy and prepared a record setting forth the basis for the approval; or (2) obtained from the customer a written agreement stating that the customer does not intend to use the account to engage in a day-trading

⁴ The current FINRA rulebook consists of (1) FINRA Rules; (2) NASD Rules; and (3) rules incorporated from NYSE ("Incorporated NYSE Rules") (together, the NASD Rules and Incorporated NYSE Rules are referred to as the "Transitional Rulebook"). While the NASD Rules generally apply to all FINRA members, the Incorporated NYSE Rules apply only to those members of FINRA that are also members of the NYSE ("Dual Members"). The FINRA Rules apply to all FINRA members, unless such rules have a more limited application by their terms. For more information about the rulebook consolidation process, see FINRA Information Notice, March 12, 2008 (Rulebook Consolidation Process).

⁵ For purposes of these rules, the term "non-institutional customer" means a customer that does not qualify as an "institutional account" under NASD Rule 3110(c)(4). See NASD Rule 2360(f); NASD Rule 2361(d). FINRA is proposing to adopt NASD Rule 3110(c)(4) as FINRA Rule 4512(c). See *Regulatory Notice* 08-25 (May 2008).

⁶ See NASD Rule 2360(e); NASD Rule 2361(c).