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Total Burden Houses: 11,667 hours.

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Acting Director, U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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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 31 and Form R31. SEC File No. 270-537, OMB Control No. 3235-0597.

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 (“OMB”) a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Section 31 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78ee.) (“Exchange Act”) requires the Commission to collect fees and assessments from national securities exchanges and national securities associations (collectively, “self-regulatory organizations” or “SROs”) based on the volume of their securities transactions. To collect the proper amounts, the Commission adopted Rule 31 (17 CFR 240.31) and Form R31 (17 CFR 249.11) under the Exchange Act whereby the SROs must report to the Commission the volume of their securities transaction and the Commission, based on that data, calculates the amount of fees and assessments that the SROs owe pursuant to Section 31. Rule 31 and Form R31 require the SROs to provide this data on a monthly basis.

Currently, there are 22 respondents under Rule 31: 17 national securities exchanges, two security futures exchanges, and one national securities association subject to the collection of information requirements of Rule 31; there are additionally two registered clearing agencies that are required to provide certain data in their possession needed by the SROs to complete Form R31, although these two entities are not themselves required to complete and

submit Form R31. The Commission estimates that the total burden for all 22 respondents is 378 hours per year. The Commission notes that, based on previous and current experience, it estimates an additional two new national securities exchanges will become registered and subject to the reporting requirements of Rule 31 over the course of the authorization period and incur burden of 12 hours per year. Thus, the Commission estimates the total burden for the existing and expected new respondents to be 390 hours per year.

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.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following Web site, www.reginfo.gov. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or by sending an email to: Shagufta_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Thomas Bayer, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-Simon, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549 or send an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 6, 2013.

Kevin M. O’Neill,

Deputy Secretary.

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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Extension:

Rule 19b-5 and Form PILOT; SEC File No. 270-448, OMB Control No. 3235-0507.

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 (“OMB”) a request for approval of

extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 19b-5 (17 CFR 240.19b-5) and Form PILOT (17 CFR 249.821) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (“Act”) (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 19b-5 provides a temporary exemption from the rule-filing requirements of Section 19(b) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78s(b)) to self-regulatory organizations (“SROs”) wishing to establish and operate pilot trading systems. Rule 19b-5 permits an SRO to develop a pilot trading system and to begin operation of such system shortly after submitting an initial report on Form PILOT to the Commission. During operation of any such pilot trading system, the SRO must submit quarterly reports of the system’s operation to the Commission, as well as timely amendments describing any material changes to the system. After two years of operating such pilot trading system under the exemption afforded by Rule 19b-5, the SRO must submit a rule filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2)) in order to obtain permanent approval of the pilot trading system from the Commission.

The collection of information is designed to allow the Commission to maintain an accurate record of all new pilot trading systems operated by SROs and to determine whether an SRO has properly availed itself of the exemption afforded by Rule 19b-5, is operating a pilot trading system in compliance with the Act, and is carrying out its statutory oversight obligations under the Act.

The respondents to the collection of information are national securities exchanges and national securities associations.

While there are 17 national securities exchanges and national securities associations that may avail themselves of the exemption under Rule 19b-5 and the use of Form PILOT, it is estimated that approximately three respondents will file a total of 3 initial reports (for a 72 hour estimated annual burden), 12 quarterly reports (for a 36 hour estimated annual burden), and 6 amendments (for an 18 hour estimated annual burden) on Form PILOT per year, with an estimated total annual response burden of 126 hours. At an average hourly cost of \$350.07, the aggregate related cost of compliance with Rule 19b-5 for all respondents is \$44,109 per year (126 burden hours multiplied by \$350.07/hour = \$44,109).

Although Rule 19b-5 does not in itself impose recordkeeping burdens on SROs, it relies on existing requirements imposed by Rule 17a-1 under the Act (17 CFR 240.17a-1) to require SROs to retain all the rules and procedures

relating to each pilot trading system operating pursuant to Rule 19b-5, and to make such records available for Commission inspection for a period of not less than five years, the first two years in an easily accessible place.

The filing of a Form PILOT is mandatory for any SRO seeking a temporary exemption under Rule 19b-5 from the rule filing requirements of Section 19(b) of the Act in connection with the operation of a pilot trading system. It is also mandatory that an SRO operating a pilot trading system file with the Commission notices of material systems changes and quarterly transaction reports on Form PILOT. Information provided on Form PILOT is deemed confidential and shall be available only for examination by the Commission, other agencies of the federal government, and state securities authorities.

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Kevin M. O'Neill,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Release No. 30644; 812-14176]

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., et al.; Notice of Application and Temporary Order

August 6, 2013.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission").

ACTION: Temporary order and notice of application for a permanent order under

section 9(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act").

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants have received a temporary order exempting them from section 9(a) of the Act, with respect to an injunction effective July 15, 2013, entered against Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo Bank") by the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, until the Commission takes final action on an application for a permanent order. Applicants have requested a permanent order.

APPLICANTS: Wells Fargo Bank, Alternative Strategies Brokerage Services, Inc. ("Alternative Strategies Brokerage"), Alternative Strategies Group, Inc. ("Alternative Strategies"), First International Advisors, LLC ("First International"), Galliard Capital Management, Inc. ("Galliard"), Golden Capital Management, LLC ("Golden Capital"), Metropolitan West Capital Management, LLC ("Metropolitan West"), Peregrine Capital Management, Inc. ("Peregrine"), Wells Capital Management Incorporated ("Wells Capital Management"), Wells Fargo Funds Distributor, LLC ("WF Funds Distributor"), and Wells Fargo Funds Management, LLC ("WF Funds Management") (each an "Applicant" and collectively, the "Applicants").¹

DATES: *Filing Date:* The application was filed on July 12, 2013.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Commission's Secretary and serving Applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the Commission by 5:30 p.m. on September 3, 2013, and should be accompanied by proof of service on Applicants, in the form of an affidavit, or for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request notification by writing to the Commission's Secretary.

ADDRESSES: Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.
Applicants: Wells Fargo Bank, 101

North Phillips Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104; Alternative Strategies Brokerage and Alternative Strategies, 401 South Tryon Street, TH 3, 5th Floor, Charlotte, NC 28202; First International, 30 Fenchurch Street, London, England, UK EC3M 3BD; Galliard, 800 LaSalle Avenue, Suite 1100, Minneapolis, MN 55402; Golden Capital, 5 Resource Square, Suite 400, 10715 David Taylor Drive, Charlotte, NC 28262; Metropolitan West, 610 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1000, Newport Beach, CA 92660; Peregrine, 800 LaSalle Avenue, Suite 1850, Minneapolis, MN 55402; West Capital Management, 525 Market Street, 10th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105; and WF Funds Distributor and WF Funds Management, 525 Market Street, 12th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura J. Riegel, Senior Counsel, at (202) 551-6873 or Mary Kay Frech, Branch Chief, at (202) 551-6821 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Exemptive Applications).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following is a temporary order and a summary of the application. The complete application may be obtained via the Commission's Web site by searching for the file number, or an applicant using the Company name box, at <http://www.sec.gov/search/search.htm> or by calling (202) 551-8090.

Applicants' Representations

1. Wells Fargo Bank is a national banking association wholly-owned, directly and indirectly, by Wells Fargo & Company ("Wells Fargo"). Through its direct and indirect subsidiaries, Wells Fargo, a registered financial holding company and bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, offers banking, brokerage, advisory and other financial services to institutional and individual customers worldwide. Wells Fargo also is the ultimate parent of the other Applicants, who, as direct or indirect, majority-owned or wholly-owned, subsidiaries of the same ultimate parent, are, or may be considered to be, under common control with Wells Fargo Bank.

2. Abbot Downing Investment Advisors and Wells Capital Management Singapore, each a separately identifiable department within Wells Fargo Bank and each registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act"), serve as investment advisers to one or more Funds (as defined below). Alternative

¹ Applicants request that any relief granted pursuant to the application also apply to any other company of which Wells Fargo Bank is or may become an affiliated person within the meaning of section 2(a)(3) of the Act (together with the Applicants, the "Covered Persons").