

("PRA") (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rules 13n-1 through 13n-12 (17 CFR 240.13n-1 through 240.13n-12) and Form SDR ("Rules"), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(n)(3) *et seq.*). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for extension and approval.

Under the Rules, security-based swap data repositories ("SDRs") are required to register with the Commission by filing a completed Form SDR (the filing of a completed Form SDR also constitutes an application for registration as a securities information processor ("SIP")). SDRs are also required to abide by certain minimum standards set out in the Rules, including a requirement to update Form SDR, abide by certain duties and core principles, maintain data in accordance with the rules, keep systems in accordance with the Rules, keep records, provide reports to the Commission, maintain the privacy of security-based swaps ("SBSs") data, make certain disclosures, and designate a Chief Compliance Officer. In addition, there are a number of collections of information contained in the Rules. The information collected pursuant to the Rules is necessary to carry out the mandates of the Dodd-Frank Act and help ensure an orderly and transparent market for SBSs.

The Commission staff estimates that it will take an SDR approximately 481 hours to complete the initial Form SDR and any amendments thereto. This burden is composed of a one-time reporting burden that reflects the applicant's staff time (*i.e.*, internal labor costs) to prepare and submit the Form to the Commission and includes the burden of responding to additional provisions incorporated from Form SIP and finally includes responding to the revised disclosure of business affiliations burden. Assuming a maximum of ten SDRs, the aggregate one-time estimated dollar cost to complete the initial Form SDR and any amendments thereto will be \$793,840 ((Compliance Attorney at \$334 per hour for 180 hours) + (Compliance Clerk at \$64 per hour for 301 hours) × (10 registrants)) and the aggregate ongoing cost per year will be \$55,440 to comply with the rule.

The Commission staff estimates that the average initial paperwork cost of filing a Form SDR to withdraw from registration will be 12 hours per SDR with an estimated dollar cost of \$4,008

to comply with the rule. The Commission estimates that an SDR will assign these responsibilities to a Compliance Attorney, calculated as follows: (Compliance Attorney at \$334 per hour for 12 hours) × (1 SDR withdrawing) = \$4,008.

In addition, the Commission staff estimates that the average initial paperwork cost for each non-resident SDR to comply with Rule 13n-1(f) will be 1 hour and \$900 per SDR. Assuming a maximum of three non-resident SDRs, the aggregate one-time estimated dollar cost to comply with the rule will be \$3,840, calculated as follows: (\$900 for outside legal services + (Attorney at \$380 per for 1 hour)) × (3 non-resident registrants). Finally, the Commission believes that the costs of filing Form SDR in a tagged data format beyond the costs of collecting the required information will be minimal.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be 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.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Please direct your written comments to: Pamela Dyson, 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](mailto:PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov).

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**Eduardo A. Aleman,**

*Assistant Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

*Upon Written Request Copies Available From:* Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736

#### *Extension:*

Regulation G, SEC File No. 270-518, OMB Control No. 3235-0576

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

Regulation G (17 CFR 244.100-244.102) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) requires publicly reporting companies that disclose or releases financial information in a manner that is calculated or presented other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") to provide a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial information to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. Regulation G implemented the requirements of Section 401 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 7261). We estimate that approximately 14,000 public companies must comply with Regulation G approximately six times a year for a total of 84,000 responses annually. We estimated that it takes approximately 0.5 hours per response (84,000 × 0.5 hours) for a total reporting burden of 42,000 hours annually.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether this 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 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 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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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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### U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; Notice of Meeting

The U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy will hold a public meeting from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, room 203-02 (First St NE, Washington, DC 20515).

The public meeting will be on *The Future of American Spaces* and feature panelists discussing the role that nearly 700 American Spaces, including Binational Centers, play in supporting engagement with foreign publics around the world. These diverse venues are the U.S. government's primary public locations abroad and foster ongoing people-to-people connections between the United States and foreign audiences.

This meeting is open to the public, members and staff of Congress, the State Department, Defense Department, the media, and other governmental and non-governmental organizations. An RSVP is required. To attend and make any requests for reasonable accommodation, email Michelle Bowen at [BowenMC1@state.gov](mailto:BowenMC1@state.gov) by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 4, 2018. Please arrive for the meeting by 10:15 a.m. to allow for a prompt start.

The United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy appraises U.S. Government activities intended to understand, inform, and influence foreign publics. The Advisory Commission may conduct studies, inquiries, and meetings, as it deems necessary. It may assemble and disseminate information and issue reports and other publications, subject to the approval of the Chairperson, in consultation with the Executive Director. The Advisory Commission may undertake foreign travel in pursuit

of its studies and coordinate, sponsor, or oversee projects, studies, events, or other activities that it deems desirable and necessary in fulfilling its functions.

The Commission consists of seven members appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The members of the Commission shall represent the public interest and shall be selected from a cross section of educational, communications, cultural, scientific, technical, public service, labor, business, and professional backgrounds. Not more than four members shall be from any one political party. The President designates a member to chair the Commission.

The current members of the Commission are: Mr. Sim Farar of California, Chairman; Mr. William Hybl of Colorado, Vice Chairman; Ms. Anne Terman Wedner of Illinois; and Ms. Georgette Mosbacher of New York. Three seats on the Commission are currently vacant.

To request further information about the meeting or the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, you may contact its Executive Director, Dr. Shawn Powers, at [PowersSM@state.gov](mailto:PowersSM@state.gov).

**Shawn M. Powers,**

Executive Director, Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Department of State.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Buy America Waiver Notification

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides information regarding FHWA's issuance of a Buy America waiver for the obligation of Federal-aid funds for 151 State projects involving the acquisition of vehicles and equipment on the condition that they be assembled in the U.S.

**DATES:** The waiver is issued as of April 17, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this notice, please contact Mr. Gerald Yakowenko, FHWA Office of Program Administration, 202-366-1562, or via email at [Gerald.Yakowenko@dot.gov](mailto:Gerald.Yakowenko@dot.gov). For legal questions, please contact Mr. Jomar Maldonado, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, 202-366-1373, or via email at

[jomar.maldonado@dot.gov](mailto:jomar.maldonado@dot.gov). Office hours for the FHWA are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Electronic Access

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Publishing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

##### Background

This notice provides information regarding FHWA's decision to issue a Buy America waiver for the obligation of Federal-aid funds for 151 State projects involving the acquisition of vehicles (including sedans, vans, pickups, trucks, buses, and street sweepers) and equipment (such as trail grooming equipment) on the condition that they be assembled in the United States. The waiver would apply to approximately 955 vehicle and equipment acquisitions. The requests for vehicle-related waivers received between April 2016 and December 2016 are incorporated by reference into this notice. These requests are available on FHWA's Buy America website at the following locations:

- April to June, 2016: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/cmaq161207.cfm>;
- July to September, 2016: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/cmaq170321.cfm>; and
- October to December, 2016: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/cmaq170725.cfm>.

These projects are being undertaken to implement air quality improvement, safety, and mobility goals under FHWA's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and the Recreational Trails Program.

Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), § 635.410 requires that steel or iron materials (including protective coatings) that will be permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid project must be domestically manufactured. For FHWA, this means that all the processes that modified the chemical content, physical shape or size, or final finish of the material (from initial melting and mixing, continuing through the bending and coating) occurred in the United States. The statute and regulations create a process for granting waivers from the Buy America requirements when its application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available. In 1983, FHWA determined