

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**[SEC File No. 270–363, OMB Control No. 3235–0413]****Submission for OMB Review; 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:*

Rule 17Ad–16

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) a request for approval of extension of the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17Ad–16 (17 CFR 240.17Ad–16) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Rule 17Ad–16 requires a registered transfer agent to provide written notice to the appropriate qualified registered securities depository when assuming or terminating transfer agent services on behalf of an issuer or when changing its name or address. In addition, transfer agents that provide such notice shall maintain such notice for a period of at least two years in an easily accessible place. This rule addresses the problem of certificate transfer delays caused by transfer requests that are directed to the wrong transfer agent or the wrong address.

We estimate that the transfer agent industry submits approximately 11,006 Rule 17Ad–16 notices per year to appropriate qualified registered securities depositories. The staff estimates that the average amount of time necessary to create and submit each notice is approximately 15 minutes per notice. Accordingly, the estimated total industry burden is 2,752 hours per year (15 minutes multiplied by 11,006 filed annually rounded up from 2,751.5 to 2,752).

Because the information needed by transfer agents to properly notify the appropriate registered securities depository is readily available to them and the report is simple and straightforward, the cost is relatively minimal. The average internal compliance cost to prepare and send a notice is approximately \$70.75 (15 minutes at \$283 per hour).¹ This yields

¹ The estimated hourly wages used in this analysis were derived from reports prepared by the

an industry-wide internal compliance cost estimate of \$778,675 (11,006 notices multiplied by \$70.75 per notice rounded up from \$778,674.5 to \$778,675).

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The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following website: 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: Lindsay.M.Abate@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Charles Riddle,

Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Candace Kenner, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: May 2, 2019.

Vanessa A. Countryman,
Acting Secretary.

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BILLING CODE 8011–01–P**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION****[SEC File No. 270–440, OMB Control No. 3235–0496]****Submission for OMB Review; 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:*

Appendix F to Rule 15c3–1

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in appendix F to Rule 15c3–1 (“appendix F” or “Rule 15c3–1f”) (17 CFR 240.15c3–1f) under the

Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association. See Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Office Salaries in the Securities Industry—2013 (2013), modified to account for an 1800-hour work year and multiplied by 5.35 to account for bonuses, firm size, employee benefits and overhead.

Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*).

Under appendix F, a class of broker-dealers known as over-the counter (“OTC”) derivatives dealers may apply to the Commission for authorization to compute net capital charges for market and credit risk in accordance with appendix F in lieu of computing securities haircuts under paragraph (c)(2)(vi) of Exchange Act Rule 15c3–1.

At present, three OTC derivatives dealers have been approved to use appendix F. Two OTC derivatives dealers have applied to use appendix F, and the staff expects that one additional OTC derivatives dealer will apply to use appendix F during the next three years. The Commission estimates that the three approved OTC derivatives dealers and two OTC derivatives dealers with pending applications (if approved) will spend an average of approximately 1,000 hours each per year reporting information concerning their VAR models and internal risk management systems, for an annual burden of 5,000 hours. The Commission estimates that, on average, a firm initially will take approximately 1,000 hours to prepare an application to use appendix F. For the one firm expected to apply, this would result in an annual burden of 333 hours per year amortized over three years. For the two years after it registers, the new registrant would spend an average of approximately 1,000 hours each year reporting information concerning its VAR model and internal risk management system, for an annual burden of 667 hours per year amortized over 3 years.

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